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**El Camino College Receives \$50,000 donation from Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A.**  
*Funds to support programs for ECC STEM students*

El Camino College recently received a \$50,000 donation from Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. for the college's Endowment for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Student Support Services.

Michael Rouse, Toyota's vice president of diversity, philanthropy and community affairs, presented the check last month during the El Camino Community College District board meeting.

"Toyota is delighted to support the vision of those at El Camino College who wish to turn the campus into a STEM-education leader for the region," Rouse said. "El Camino College is perfectly positioned to provide the well-prepared graduates who will be needed by the growing number of high-tech employers moving into the South Bay."

Designed to support the college's STEM Endowment, the donation was matched 100 percent by a Hispanic-Serving Institutions - Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics and Articulation Programs federal grant for a total of \$100,000.

El Camino College's STEM Endowment was created to fund programs and projects that directly support students pursuing STEM certificates and degrees.

Endowment funds will be used to make a direct and significant impact on El Camino College STEM students. Future plans include: purchasing/replacing equipment, initiating technology upgrades, launching STEM-related student events/seminars on campus, and supporting STEM student events and conferences off campus.

For more information on El Camino College STEM programs, view:  
[www.elcamino.edu/academics/stem/](http://www.elcamino.edu/academics/stem/).

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