

ORANGE COUNTY'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES: A GREAT INVESTMENT



**Orange County Community Colleges
Legislative Task Force**
Advocates for Orange County's Community College Students

Orange County's Community Colleges include four Districts— Coast Community College District, North Orange County Community College District, Rancho Santiago Community College District, and South Orange County Community College District—serving over 300,000 students in Orange County.

ORANGE COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT



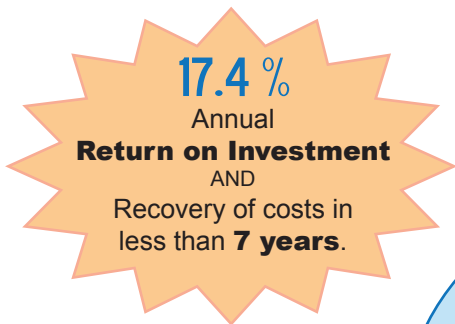
JOB CREATION



CALIFORNIA AND
ORANGE COUNTY
TAXPAYERS



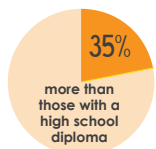
For **every dollar** invested in Orange County community colleges by students and taxpayers, the community receives...



\$387,000
Average amount community college graduates earn more in a lifetime than high school graduates.

\$11,000
Average amount community college graduates earn more per year than high school graduates.

\$20,000
Average amount those with an Associate's degree earn more per year than those without a high school diploma.



\$70 MILLION
Amount the public saves per year on quality life and social benefits.

\$1.6 BILLION
In increased economic activity due to Community College District operations.

\$9 BILLION
In combined increased economic activity, higher earnings, increased consumer spending, and public benefits to the Orange County economy.

WE ALL BENEFIT!

Community Colleges benefit California taxpayers and students, through:

- Increased wages
- Improved health
- Lower crime cost
- Reduced welfare and unemployment
- Job creation
- Better prepared workforce
- Significant economic benefits
- Economic Stability

301,689
Students attended OC Community Colleges in 2011-2012.

73%
Stay in the region after college.