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Document Title:	CPRA Request Email for Compass Energy Project
Description:	RE: CBA "has community angst about the facilities coming into San Juan Capistrano." shows knowledge of the community concerns as far back as February 2025 and awareness of the issue in the many months before consideration.
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RE: Donation/Community Benefits Agreement for Saddleback College Foundation

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Sent time: 02/20/2025 12:31:39 AM

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Cc: Israel Dominguez <idominguez@saddleback.edu>; Jessie Cheng <jcheng64@saddleback.edu>

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Hmmm. Feels smart on their part. Associate the plant with jobs and training for future jobs. I'm happy for our college and students to be the beneficiaries of strategic largesse. e

From: Tram Vo-Kumamoto <tvokumamoto@saddleback.edu>

Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 4:21 PM

To: Elliot Stern <estern@saddleback.edu>; John Jaramillo <jjaramillo@saddleback.edu>

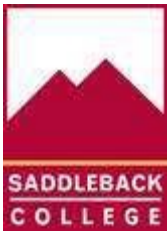
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I know that there is community angst about the facilities coming into San Juan. Is this a way for them to try and garner good will?

Tram

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So tell me how this works. They make a \$150,000 donation to the Foundation. Liz takes an indirect but uses the remaining funds for this program....to do what? Are the students getting paid? Does the funding pay for faculty oversight? Coordination? Do we offer any didactic training to accompany the WBL or is this solely WBL?

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From: John Jaramillo <jjaramillo@saddleback.edu>

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Importance: High

Elliot and Tram,

We have some very good news to share. We have been meeting with ENGIE North America Renewable & Flexible Generation about their plans to develop a Grid-Scale Battery facility in San Juan Capistrano. They are moving forward with State approval and believe they will begin building in the coming year. The facility is less than three miles from campus. They want to ensure there are future workers so they are offering a 5-year commitment to help funds apprenticeships in EWD/CTE programs related to the battery system. They are offering \$150,000 each year for the next 5-years. I am attaching their contract, which is fairly straight forward. This will involve the Foundation as they made it clear that is their intent. Our goal would be to get students into our related programs, and be able to offer incentives to employers in the form of salary match, much like the Samueli grant, for developing approved apprenticeships in the areas identified by the donor.

Next steps will be organizational level meeting with the Foundation team and our EWD team, followed by a meeting with yourselves, the other Exec Team members you want present, the Foundation's Reps, EWD team, and ENGIE's team. I have also attached an FAQ which is very informative about the facility ENGIE is developing.

As background, ENGIE, like other companies we meet with, were impressed by our team's responsiveness, organizational structure, past workforce development success, and our entrepreneurial approach to training and development. This will have tie-ins to our Automotive EV Tech and Autonomous and Advanced Vehicle Systems programs as well as Electronic Technology and Automation Systems programs.

Jessie will reach out to help schedule the meetings in the next few days/weeks.

John Jaramillo

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Good Morning Renee,

This is excellent and most exciting news!

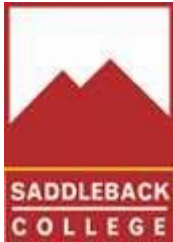
I will review the agreement with our administration and our foundation.
 We will then schedule a meeting with you and your team to help advance the donation.

I will be in touch soon.

Best Regards,

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I hope this message finds you very well. We apologize for the delay in getting back to you after our last conversation regarding the Compass Energy Storage Project. As you may recall, this 250 MW energy storage project will be located in San Juan Capistrano with interconnection to the existing SDG&E transmission adjacent to I-5. We are pleased to tell you our application with the California Energy Commission is nearing completion, and we have been working very hard to complete the technical work so that this project can proceed through the CEC approval process this year.

We are also pleased to share with you our proposed Community Benefits Agreement to share with the Saddleback College Foundation administration_ While this proposed agreement is in a format we have found acceptable in many past donations, we understand that you may require some modifications_ We are amenable to make appropriate revisions to correspond with the College Foundation policies.

We would like to arrange a call with you and the appropriate administration members to help advance this donation, with the hope that we might execute an acceptable version in the next few weeks. Of course, we are also happy to provide the College with an updated briefing on the Compass project itself, and the many innovations it includes - to provide clean renewable energy for the region and the state.

We are looking forward to next steps - and to Engie's ongoing collaboration with Saddleback College.

With best regards,

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