



University of California, Santa Barbara Associated Students  
Office of the Associated Students President  
Executive Order

## **AN ORDER REALLOCATING SAFE TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE FUNDING**

### **I. Introduction**

WHEREAS, the Safe Transportation Task Force was created in response to the unprecedented circumstances that UC Santa Barbara and the surrounding Isla Vista community faced over the course of the Spring 2022 quarter. As a result of immediate personal and public safety concerns that have caused students academic stress, mental health struggles, and worry for personal safety, the task force reallocated leftover funds generated from the previous Covid-19 Task Force to form the new task force, which is focused on safe transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Safe Transportation Task Force will remain closed until further notice due to an unexpected influx of responses, hindered by a lack of ASOP and AS-wide ability to evaluate them in a timely manner; and,

WHEREAS, the Associated Students Office of the President has a duty to uphold the measures taken by the Safe Transportation Task Force to reimburse students for rideshares per the prior Executive Order; and,

WHEREAS, the A.S. Office of the President wants to respect the mission of the executive orders that formed both the Covid-19 and Safe Transportation Task Forces; and,

WHEREAS, the A.S. Office of the President aims to honor the goals of these prior executive orders to provide resources to students during unprecedented times of need. It also must honor the funding provided from various BCUs and entities across Associated Students; and,

WHEREAS, the UCSB student body continues to face unpredictable unprecedented challenges beyond those outlined by previous executive orders; and,

WHEREAS, the funding that established these previous task forces should be maintained in their current AS account rather than dissolving into general funds in order to guarantee a continued, centralized account by which the Office of the President can designate funding to respond to concerns for student wellbeing; and,

WHEREAS, student safety and Covid-19 are ongoing issues that students will continue to face in the near future alongside basic needs insecurities and housing concerns, and the leftover funding can allow a more prompt response to these adversities, among others, as they surface.

### **II. Identification of Authority**

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gurleen Pabla, President of Associated Students by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the bylaws of Associated Students, do hereby order as



follows in order to continue serving the UCSB student body and providing timely resources during times of need to the best of my ability:

### III. Purpose

- a) Reallocate \$10,000 from the Account #405, previously collected from A.S. entities through the “Executive Order Establishing the COVID-19 Response Task Force” issued on April 28, 2020 to the UCSB Financial Crisis Response Team, allowing them to take over the Safe Transportation Task Force and respond to continued Covid-19 struggles that they see students face until the end of summer (September 9, 2022) or until these funds are depleted, whichever occurs first.
  - i) The Financial Crisis Response Team must therefore provide a report of how these funds were distributed to students, excluding any confidential information, to help the Office of the President assess whether extended funding is conducive to this effort after the summer.
- b) The Financial Crisis Response Team assumes responsibility over the Safe Transportation Task Force (as designed by AS’ task force) beginning July 1st, 2022 and must work with current members of the Office of the President to ensure the completion of currently unassessed requests before opening new offers to students.
  - i) The Financial Crisis Response Team must therefore adhere to the outlines of the “Executive Order Establishing the Safe Transportation Task Force” issued on March 1st, 2022 as follows:
    - 1) This fund will allow students to be reimbursed for rideshares under the following parameters: rides must either start and/or end on the core UCSB campus from the hours of 6pm till sunrise and up to the dollar amount of \$12 *for each ride*.
    - 2) Rides can be from, but not limited to: Uber, Lyft, Taxis, other rideshares, etc.
    - 3) The individual student seeking reimbursement will need to ensure their own safety and select the rideshare program that they are most comfortable using. The Task Force is not prescribing any particular service over another; nor can it limit the risk to the individual student.
  - ii) The addition of the word “core” in clause 2 above allows more flexibility with requests. If the Financial Crisis Response Team sees fit, they are welcome to add an additional question to their reimbursement request form that allows students to make an argument as to why they are requesting an “off-campus” reimbursement if they believe the reasoning was for academic purposes.
  - iii) The ASOP Head of Staff is appointed as the lead representative for the A.S. Office of the President during any deliberations or meetings that require clarification from the Office of the President, assuming that the President is



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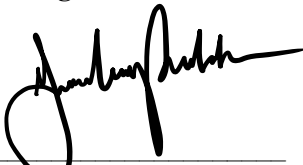
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- unable to attend.
- iv) The President will continue working with the Financial Crisis Response Team as needed over the summer of 2022 to ensure that they are able to operate in accordance with the goals of the funding and the mission of UCSB Associated Students.
  - c) Rollover the remaining funds in Account #405.
    - i) This funding's existing resources will reside in the account until the President believes its use can benefit students in the event of another safety or Covid-19 emergency as well as any other risk to students that requires an expeditious response communicated via an Executive Order or equivalent AS Senate resolution in collaboration with the AS Office of the President.
  - d) A.S. executives and entities are able to allocate more funds to replenish this account only if the account is actively being used in any effort to support students:
    - i) They must include the terms on which they are transferring the funds and whether or not they would like to be involved in the effort (by allocating student participants).
    - ii) Interested A.S. executives/entities will reach out to the President directly and facilitate the transfer of funds.

## IV. Duration

This Executive Order shall become effective upon its signing and shall remain in full force and effect until the end of the 2022-2023 school year on July 1, 2023, or until the funds are depleted.

## V. Signatures

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Gurleen Pabla, AS 2022-2023 President

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Marisela Márquez, Ph.D., Executive Director, Associated Students