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Subaru Donates Three Vehicles to Cerritos College Automotive Import Technician Training Program

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- Cerritos College's Automotive Import Technician Training Program recently received three vehicles donated by <u>Subaru of America</u>. Two 2015 Impreza WRXs and a 2016 Impreza WRX will be used for valuable hands-on training.

Subaru's Los Angeles Zone Director Joel Zimmerman, District Parts & Services Manager Frank Ceccacci,



and North American Subaru's Senior Field Investigator Don Heck presented the vehicles to the College.

The car company has been a long-time supporter of Cerritos College. Subaru donated scholarship funds for auto students in 2010 and 2012, a high performance engine from the 2009 film *Fast and Furious 4* in 2011, nine engines in 2015, and eight high-performance engines in 2016.

"These students are the future of our industry where qualified technicians are much needed," said Ceccacci. We are pleased to assist students in advancing their automotive education and becoming a skilled professional."

"Our students can learn the latest technology with these donated vehicles," said Leonard Glick, instructor in the College's Import Technician Training program. "We appreciate Subaru's consistent support of our automotive students."

Cerritos College is also part of Subaru's education partnership program <u>Subaru-U</u> that combines the resources of the company and select secondary and post-secondary schools to provide knowledge of Subaru vehicles and systems and prepare students for possible future employment at Subaru retailers nationwide.

The <u>Import Technician Training program</u> is a two-year automotive program designed to upgrade the technical competency and professionalism of entry-level dealership technicians. Curriculum is designed collaboratively between various auto corporations and Cerritos College. The program involves not only

attending classroom lectures and laboratories on import products at the college, but also requires the student to gain simultaneous work experience as a student at an import auto dealership.

About Cerritos College: Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college's district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at http://www.cerritos.edu/.

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