

## The Greater Los Angeles New Car Dealers Association donates \$5K to support auto program

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**NORWALK, Calif. – July 2, 2024** – The Cerritos College Foundation received a \$5,000 donation from the Greater Los Angeles New Car Dealers Association (GLANCDATA) to support the College's Automotive Technology Program. Bob Smith, executive director of GLANCDATA, presented the check to Joe Mulleary, chair of the Automotive Technology Program, on June 11. The fund will support the purchase of a tool cart to be given as an annual award to an outstanding student working for a dealership in LA County.



**Bob Smith, Joe Mulleary, and Dr. Jose Fierro**

GLANCDATA and its franchise dealers have supported Cerritos College's automotive programs, generously donating more than \$500,000 toward student scholarships, facility upgrades, and training enhancement. Most recently, GLANCDATA donated \$20,000 to the college in 2021-22.

"We have had the pleasure and privilege of working closely with the Cerritos College Automotive Technology Program for 12 years," said Bob Smith. "This is one of the best automotive programs in Southern California. Continuing this support will help educate well-trained technicians and future industry leaders. We look forward to continuing to support the success of the program and its students."

Cerritos College's [Auto Technology Program](#) provides students with hands-on technical skills. It is a nationally authorized training site for GM ASEP and Ford ASSET. The program also has formal partnerships with Nissan, Subaru, Stellantis, Audi, and Mercedes Benz. The college also hosts an Advanced Transportation and Logistics program, one of 10 centers in California. The program advances the workforce in the rapidly developing, technology-driven transportation and energy industries while improving the environment and stimulating the economy.

**About the Cerritos College Foundation:** The Cerritos College Foundation, a non-profit organization, serves as a charitable vehicle for the community, individuals, and alumni to assist with financial support of Cerritos College beyond that which state funding supports. Visit the Foundation online at [www.CerritosCF.org](http://www.CerritosCF.org).

**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 nearly 300 degree and certificate programs in nine divisions. Annually, more than 5,000 students successfully complete their course of studies. Enrollment currently averages 21,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at <http://www.cerritos.edu/>.

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