

# 2016 CAMPUS ACTIVITY FEE REFERENDUM

## REFERENDUM LANGUAGE

Voting will take place via Tritonlink: <http://tritonlink.ucsd.edu> from April 4th to April 8th, and shall begin at 10:00 AM on the first day of voting and continue until 4:00 PM on the last day of voting. Any student or student organization may submit a request to the Elections Committee to write Pro or Con statements, which shall be written in accordance with the Associated Students Association Standing Rules and Constitution. All correspondence sent to students regarding this referendum must include the phrase: "VOTE AT TRITONLINK.UCSD.EDU". To be effective, the fee referendum must be approved by a simply majority of votes to approve, with no less than 20% of eligible votes cast. The referendum shall not be approved if there are more votes cast to abstain than votes cast to approve. The proposed voting criteria are in full compliance with the Constitution of the Associated Students, and applicable student fee policies described in Section 18.00 of the UCSD Policies and Procedures Applying to Student Activities.

### Referendum Language

Do you approve an increase in the Associated Students Campus Activity Fee by \$14.92 per student per quarter, effective Fall Quarter 2016 to expand and increase student events and traditions, and increase funding for student organizations, services to students, commissions, and operations of the Associated Students of the University of California, San Diego?

29% of this fee increase will return to UC San Diego to help meet the financial aid needs of undergraduate students.

4% of this fee will be used to increase funding for the Student Sustainability Collective (SSC). The SSC functions as a student-managed subset of the Sustainability Resource Center (SRC). The SSC provides a space for the community to institutionalize sustainability at the university. This funding increase would support and grow the events, initiatives, and operations of the Student Sustainability Collective.

20% of this fee will be used to increase funding for the Student Promoted Access Center for Education and Service (SPACES). SPACES focuses on improving access to higher education and retention of students/ This fee would allow the center to expand its access and retention programs both on and off campus/

47% of this fee will be used to expand and increase student events and traditions, and increase funding for student organizations, services to students, commissions, and operations of the Associated Students of the University of California, San Diego. These would include, but not be limited to:

- The Sun God Festival
- Student organization funding
- Food insecurity and the Triton Food Pantry, a service of Associated Students
- Increased UC San Diego student participation and representation at meetings of the UC Office of the President and UC Regents

Specifically, the fee increase would allow Associated Students to:

- **INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE SUN GOD FESTIVAL AND OTHER CAMPUS WIDE EVENTS:** A significant portion of the fee increase would be allocated to the Sun God Festival, as well as creating new traditions and expanding campus wide events, such as Bear Gardens and Hullabaloo
- **INCREASED FUNDING FOR STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:** A significant portion of this fee increase will be allocated to funding student organization programs, events, and participation in tournaments and competitions, as well as funding the operating expenses of the Associated Students required to support student organizations
- **ADDRESSING FOOD INSECURITY AT UCSD:** In 2015, Associated Students opened the Triton Food Pantry to support UC San Diego students who are experiencing hunger. A portion of this fee increase would provide funding for food, staffing, and supplies necessary to operate the Triton Food Pantry and serve the students who use it
- **INCREASED STUDENT REPRESENTATION AT UC OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND UC REGENTS MEETINGS:** This fee increase would provide funding for the Associated Students to work closely with other UC Campuses and the UC Student Association to advocate to the UC Office of the President and UC Regents the viewpoint of UC San Diego students on topics that are important to them. This fee increase would fund UC San Diego student representatives' travel to attend and participate in meetings with these statewide decision-makers.

The Associated Students Campus Activity Fee is currently \$52.33 per student per quarter. Neither the increase nor existing Associated Students Campus Activity Fee will be assessed during summer sessions.

If this fee referendum is approved and implemented, the Associated Students Campus Activity Fee would be \$67.25 per student per quarter effective Fall Quarter 2016. The entire Associated Students Campus Activity Fee will be adjusted annually according to the California Consumer Price Index (CPI) starting in Fall 2017. In addition, no referendum that would increase the Associated Students Campus Activity Fee may be proposed until Fall Quarter 2019.

Statement of Conditions:

1. This fee will be included in the determination of financial aid
2. Annual budget reports will be made public and provided to all UCSD Student Governments
3. Modification to this fee may not be made without a subsequent referendum held in accordance with the appropriate student government and University policies unless other means are explicitly provided in the ballot language.

**YES**

**NO**

**ABSTAIN**