

2025-26 IMPACT REPORT

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Cal Poly Pomona

Because of your generosity to the Bronco Fund, Cal Poly Pomona students are learning, growing and achieving more every day. We hope you enjoy seeing your impact in the stories that follow.

TOTAL RAISED FOR
GREATEST NEEDS **\$156,951**

Donors Make the Difference: From Future Teachers to Leaders



Everett Elias returned to college at age 30 after years of feeling he was not smart enough or that he didn't belong in school. As an older student from a marginalized community, he pursued his degree and credential while managing bills, coursework, performance assessments, and clinical practice.

Everett was one of 22 Cal Poly Pomona students who received the PIE Partners In Education (PIE) Fellowship this year, all thanks to the generosity of PIE and Bronco Fund donors. Their support does more than cover immediate expenses, it removes barriers that might otherwise keep talented future educators from completing their preparation while providing a community of peers to encourage one another.

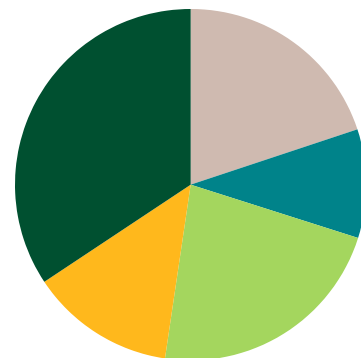
After completing his clinical practice teaching seventh-grade ancient civilizations, Everett graduated with his teaching credential. This fall, he begins his teaching career, hoping to share history from the perspectives of people whose stories have often been overlooked.

By investing in fellows like Everett, donors are not simply funding credentials. They are helping community-minded educators enter classrooms, strengthening schools and creating a better future—one educator and one student at a time.

"Becoming a teacher is about helping young people recognize that they are part of history and have the power to shape what comes next."

AREAS SERVED BY YOUR SUPPORT

- Student Experiences and Clubs (34%)
- Scholarships (20%)
- Athletics (10%)
- Academic Programming (23%)
- Campus Programming (13%)



Support that Comes Full Circle

Selena Boroff's journey at Cal Poly Pomona began in Fall 2023 as an Agriculture Business and Food Industry Management major. Like many students living on their own for the first time, she struggled to balance rent, groceries, bills and a full course load. "During my first year, I discovered the PolyPantry. There were weeks when I couldn't afford groceries or basic hygiene products, and the Pantry became a reliable source of support that allowed me to focus on my education instead of worrying about my next meal," Selena shared.

Generously funded in part by gifts to the Bronco Fund, the Poly Pantry provides students experiencing food insecurity with access to nutritious food and essential items, helping ensure that basic needs don't stand in the way of academic success.



In Spring 2024, she began working for Associated Students, Incorporated in the A/V unit, and later joined the Poly Pantry team. What began as a resource she depended on became a place where she could give back. That experience sparked her passion for food access and sustainability, leading her to add a minor in Regenerative Studies.

As her financial situation improved, Selena excelled academically, earned scholarships and pursued opportunities that prepared her for her future career. Today, Selena serves as supervisor of the Poly Pantry, the very program that once helped her through one of the most challenging times.

"My story is a reminder that when students have access to basic needs, they gain more than stability. They gain the opportunity to succeed, lead and give back."

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GIFTS MADE

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When One More Chance Made All the Difference



Lucas Lopez and the Baja SAE team at Cal Poly Pomona spend thousands of hours designing, manufacturing and testing an off-road vehicle to compete in annual competitions across the country. Last spring, 45 students traveled to Oregon to see months of hard work put to the test through demanding obstacles and wheel-to-wheel racing. During the competition, the vehicle revealed weaknesses that affected its performance.

Rather than letting these setbacks define their competition, the team returned to campus determined to improve. Over the next month, they worked tirelessly to identify the problems, redesign parts, and manufacture new components to prepare the vehicle for the New York competition.

Thanks to critical support provided by Bronco Fund donors, they were able to participate in the second competition with donor funding helping cover their final manufacturing expenses, travel and transportation costs.

Because of the generosity of donors, 14 students traveled to New York to get a second chance. Their perseverance paid off: Bronco Racing achieved its strongest overall competition finish since 2024 and improved from 45th to 27th in dynamic events out of 102 teams. Every obstacle the team overcame provided valuable lessons that will help current and future students build an even more competitive vehicle. Beyond the results, the experience showed students firsthand that hard work and innovation are essential to solving real-world engineering challenges.

"Bronco Racing is grateful for all support received throughout last season. This continued support fuels future generations of resilient, determined engineers capable of finding real-world solutions to real-world problems."



THANK YOU!