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BILL #5220

CSU Temporarily Disabled Student Transportation Program Funding

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COLLABORATED WITH: Ariadne Athey, Senator, Student Disability Center; Lindsay Mason, Director of the CSU Office of Off-Campus Life

SPONSORED BY: Sammy Trout, Chair, University Affairs Committee, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Adrian Salazar, Chair, DEI Affairs Committee, Senator, Pride Resource Center; Theodore Reese, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Haydn Deason, ASCSU Chief of Staff; Hayden Taylor, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Graham Kelly, Senator, College of Natural Sciences; Daniel Scott-Perez, Associate Senator, College of Liberal Arts

ENDORSED BY: Ariadne Athey, Senator, Student Disability Center; Rob Long ASCSU President; Charlie Williamson, ASCSU Director of Diversity and Inclusion; Justin Melka, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Ruairí Low, Senator, Student Disability Center; Grace Crangle, ASCSU Director of Marketing; Evan Welch, ASCSU Director of Governmental Affairs; Nora Aslan, Chair, Internal Affairs Committee, Senator, Pride Resource Center; Ava McCall, Senator, Women and Gender Advocacy Center; Adalyn Schumer, Senator, Adult Learner and Veteran Services; CSU College of Liberal Arts Dean's Leadership Council; Alex Silverhart, ASCSU Director of Health & Vice President-Elect; Budgetary Affairs Committee; University Affairs Committee; Grace Sjaastad, Associate Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Dane Dinnsen, Senator, College of Business; Caroline Kramer, Senator, College of Health and Human Sciences; McAllister Johnson, Senator, College of Health and Human Sciences; Cole Johnson, Senator, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Kyle Hill, Senator, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Dory Schmidt, Senator, College of Natural Sciences; Morgan Wright, Senator, College of Natural Sciences; Enoch Monanti, Associate Senator, Pride Resource Center; Mitchell Perque, Associate Senator, Pride Resource Center; Alexander Wilson, Associate Senator, Student Disability Center

ABSTRACT: This bill will ensure funding to enable the successful and sustainable creation, implementation, and operation of the Temporarily Disabled Students Transportation Program from the Senate Discretionary Fund.

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WHEREAS

The goal of this program is to equip temporarily disabled CSU students with a viable and easily accessible mode of on- campus transportation to minimize the impacts of temporary disabilities upon students' health, welfare, and academic potential; and,

WHEREAS

This program will be operational each day the university is in session during the fall and spring semesters from 8:30am- 4:30pm; and,

WHEREAS

This program will be an addition to RamRide and will be implemented, coordinated, and managed by the CSU office of Off- Campus Life; and,

WHEREAS

According to inputs and testimonies from a recent survey regarding the need of this program on the CSU campus, current issues facing temporarily disabled CSU students tasked with navigating the CSU campus include adverse effects upon education, mental, physical, and social wellbeing; and,

WHEREAS

In the aforementioned recently published survey, 45.7% of respondents stated that they have been faced with navigating the CSU campus while temporarily disabled. 100% of those respondents stated that if this program had been implemented at that time, their educational, mental, physical, and social wellbeing would have been significantly better— both during and after they found themselves temporarily disabled; and,

WHEREAS

In the aforementioned recently published survey, 100% of respondents stated that if they found themselves tasked with navigating the CSU campus while temporarily disabled, this program would be imperative to their educational, mental, physical, and social wellbeing; so,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED

That \$3,040 be moved from the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund into the Office of Off-Campus Life ("OCL") Account to fund the rental of one golf cart daily each day that the university is in session during the fall and spring semesters from the CSU motor pool managed by Parking and Transportation Services; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That \$1,350 be moved from the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund into the OCL Account to fund purchasing of driver equipment, including, but not limited to a used cellphone, coat, gloves, hat, and hand warmers; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That \$1,000 be moved from the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund into the OCL Account to fund marketing and publicity initiatives relating to the program in question including, but not limited to advertisements in the Collegian, advertisements on campus TVs, flyers and posters in residence and dining halls, advertisements through the CSU Health Network, and handouts for local doctor's offices and hospitals; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That \$5542.79 be moved from the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund into the OCL Account to fund a 10% operating and unforeseen costs safety buffer for the program in question. Any amount of this safety buffer fund that is not used by the CSU Office of Off- Campus Life towards the implementation, coordination, or operation of the program in question will be assessed at the end of each school year in a program stakeholder meeting and returned to the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That \$1,065 be moved from the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund into the OCL Account and be equally distributed in amounts of \$355 to fund the driver salary, office of Off- Campus Life Assistant Director supplemental pay, and office of Off- Campus Life Student Employee Salary for the program in question; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That an exact copy of this bill be presented at the 5th Senate Session of each year for four years to allocate the aforementioned amounts (\$3040, \$1350, \$1000, \$5542.79, and \$1065, totaling \$11997.79) be to the OCL Account to fund the following school year for four years, beginning in March of the 2022/23 CSU school year. This action will be overseen by Braxton Dietz (braxtond@colostate.edu) and the ASCSU Senate Budgetary Affairs Committee Chair (ascsu_senate_budgetary_committee@mail.colostate.edu) on behalf of the ASCSU Senate in coordination with Lindsay Mason (lindsay.mason@colostate.edu), or whomever may be the CSU office of Off- Campus Life Director at that time.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That the aforementioned amounts (\$3040, \$1350, \$1000, \$5542.79, and \$1065, totaling \$11997.79) be reassessed by the ASCSU Senate for continuation, increasement, nullification, or reduction at the end of the aforementioned four-year period in a meeting with the Director of the CSU office of Off- Campus Life and all program stakeholders.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a representative shall be designated by the ASCSU Senate to coordinate relations between the ASCSU Senate and the CSU office of Off-Campus Life as it pertains to the program in question. This representative shall be nominated by anyone within the body and designated by the ASCSU Senate through a vote in form the body's choice during the final reading of this legislation.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That the aforementioned representative shall write a memorandum of understanding between the ASCSU Senate and the CSU office of Off-Campus Life outlining the rules and regulations involving the two parties' working relationship and the aforementioned funding as it pertains to the program in question.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Amy Parsons, Colorado State University President; and Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs; Justin Dove, Director of the CSU Student Disability Center; Lindsay Mason, Director of the CSU office of Off-Campus Life; Kenneth Kinneer, Treasurer for the CSU Alternative Transportation Fee Advisory Board and ASCSU Director of Environmental Affairs; Teresa Metzger, CSU Housing and Dining Services Assistant Director of Projects & Outreach; Christie Matthews, CSU Housing and Dining Director of Projects & Outreach; Frank Argumedo, CSU Housing and Dining Coordinator for Student Engagement; Haydyn Deason, ASCSU Chief of Staff; Jasen Wahler, ASCSU Chief of State; Alex Silverhart, ASCSU Director of Health & Wellness; Charlie Williamson, ASCSU Director of Diversity & Inclusion; Jillian Cook, ASCSU Director of Finance; Grace Crangle, ASCSU Director of Marketing

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ASCSU PRESIDENT ROBERT LONG

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RESOURCES

Annual Expenses Sheet:

Expenses	Costs	Annual Costs	Notes
Driver Salary	\$23/ hr. 7.5 hrs./ day 37.5 hrs./ wk. 32 wks./ yr. + 31.6% fringe rate	\$36,472.94	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily run time: 8:30am- 4:00pm • 30 weeks/ yr. • 1 week of training per semester • Hourly- classified fringe rate
1 Golf Cart	\$20/ day 5 days/ wk. 15 wks + 2 training days/ yr.	\$3,040	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possibly lower with PTS discount
OCL Assistant Director Supplement Pay	12% additional pay from current salary/ yr.	\$7,200	
OCL Student Employee Salary	16.38/ hr. 12 hrs/ wk. 32 wks./ yr +1.2% fringe rate	\$6,365	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hired to coordinate, manage, and advertise program • Student- classified fringe rate
Driver Equipment	\$250 phone cost +\$50/ mo. data charge + \$500 cold weather gear cost	\$1,350	
Marketing		\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ads in Collegian, ads on campus TVs, handouts in local doctors'

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			offices & hospitals
10% Safety Buffer		\$5542.79	
Total (Annual)		\$60,970.73	

Program Outline PowerPoint:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1vTmk5oF2VqQ1WAn4xju9cnUJXPWki2ZkbC1-aaMyyHA/edit?usp=sharing>

Survey Respondent Quotes:

“I would really love to see this program implemented at CSU. I sprained my ankle last month and was on crutches for 2 weeks, then a boot, and am still in a brace. **It’s extremely difficult to navigate campus**, especially during busy times. **I had to miss multiple classes** because I physically couldn’t get there. **This would’ve been extremely helpful** and I’m really grateful you’re considering it!”

- CSU Student

“The bus system in Fort Collins has made it **difficult to attend school with a disability** as the bus only comes once an hour (right as my classes start) –

- CSU Student

“I’m an advisor and have worked with a number of students in this situation. **This absolutely is a need.**”

- CSU Professor

“As someone who was **previously on crutches for months** while trying to get around campus, I quickly became acutely aware of just how much privilege I held as a normally able-bodied person and how **difficult it is to manage our campus when you have a physical limitation** (from the placement of elevators to them being out of order to the amount of ramps to the distance across campus). I had to utilize the ride service with SDC (maybe they don’t have this at all anymore?) but it was extremely limited and not particularly functional (still very grateful for the amount it did make things easier for me). I also had a student who broke his leg and was on crutches an entire Spring semester (winter weather!) and recommended this service to him, and he mentioned several times (and this is a very positive student) just how challenging it was to get around campus and how arduous the process was to utilize the ride service and it’s many limitations.”

- CSU Professor“

This would be a **wonderful program** and should definitely be put in place to support our community and make it **more accessible for all.**”

- CSU Student

This measure is inclusive and equitable. I have had friends whose **college experiences and mental health have been deeply impacted by broken limbs/temporary disability** and navigating campus, especially in wintertime.

- CSU Student

THAT THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO

Amy Parsons, President of Colorado State University

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Tony Frank, Chancellor of the CSU System

Blanche Hughes, CSU Vice President for Student Affairs

Jess Dyrdaahl, ASCSU Advisor

Jessi Sholts, ASCSU Administrative Assistant

JoAnn Cornell, Director of the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center

Duan Ruff, Director of the Black/African American Cultural Center

Dora S. Frias, Director of El Centro

Maggie Hendrickson, Director of the Pride Resource Center

Tyrone Smith, Director of the Native American Cultural Center

Justin Dove, Director of the Student Disability Center
