This manual features four CSU campuses—Chico, Humboldt, Los Angeles, and Monterey Bay—who have been supporting student leadership programs in community engagement in exemplary ways for years.*

Funded through the generous support of the Surdna Foundation, this “how-to” manual is based upon the experiences, models, and lessons learned of these four well-established programs. It provides a framework that can be easily adapted and modified by other institutions that are looking to develop student leadership programs that support community engagement. In addition to sharing the four CSU program models, the manual covers topics such as:

- Why Work with Student Leaders;
- Roles and Responsibilities;
- Securing Funding and Nonfinancial Incentives;
- Recruiting and Selecting Student Leaders;
- Training, On-Going Support, and Evaluation;
- Keeping in Touch with Alumni, and,
- An appendix that consists of some of the best sample materials from the CSU.

A companion workbook takes anyone committed to starting a student leadership in community engagement program through a step-by-step process. While the manual and workbook have been designed to be easily used by one person, we do encourage a team approach that involves others around campus and in the community in the planning process.


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