

# Join us in supporting the Cuesta Fund

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My name is Kimberly Mendez. I am a San Luis Obispo County high school graduate, first-generation college student, single mother, and aspiring labor and delivery nurse.

I was motivated to become a labor and delivery nurse after having my son, and my passion was reignited when I had my daughter. I have spent time volunteering in the NICU and working at the front desk at Sierra Vista Hospital.

I am on track to completing my Associate's Degree in Pre-Nursing and applying to the RN Program.

None of this would be possible without access to childcare, and I am so thankful for the Cuesta College Children's Center.

I was happy to hear that the Cuesta College Foundation provided funding to transition the Children's Center to year-round care. Now, I will be able to find a job or internship without having to find alternate care between semesters.

My children motivate me to achieve my academic and career goals. I hope I inspire them as I set out to make my dreams a reality and create a better future for us.

When you make a donation to the Cuesta Fund, you are directly impacting students like me.

On behalf of all students who will benefit from your support, thank you for considering an annual gift to the Cuesta Fund, which is both needed and appreciated!

Sincerely,



Kimberly Mendez  
Cuesta College Student

Making an impact is simple. You can give online at [cuesta.edu/give/](https://cuesta.edu/give/), scan the QR code below, or return the bottom of this letter with your gift.



## Cuesta Fund Provides Childcare

Thanks to a generous Foundation grant, we are able to use this year as a pilot year to learn how to make the transition to year-round care. One of the biggest barriers for families is that we are only open when school is in session. While that works for some, for many others the long breaks between semesters serve as a barrier to enrollment. By being open more, we will be able to better serve the student families and their children. This will relieve a huge burden on families who currently have to rely on scrambling to find friends, family, and

baby sitters between the semesters. It also benefits the children by providing consistent care in a quality early learning environment. Without the Cuesta Fund and the support of generous donors in our community, this transition would not be possible.

*Maddy Chevalier*  
Madelyn Chevalier  
Director of  
Children's Center



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