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Voting Party Success

Seniors across campus participated in the first voting party of the year this past Thursday, October 19th. These parties not only allow students to learn about each of the three funds that they have the opportunity to vote for, they also are a chance to celebrate seniors and all of their achievements. Last year was the first time UCSB First held a voting party, and it proved to be radically effective in increasing voting numbers and informing seniors of the goals of UCSB First. This year we decided to expand not only the location and amount of opportunities for seniors to vote, but also the efficiency for students to cast their votes. This year, we tabled at both the

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Arbor and the SRB and allowed for students to vote online with provided laptops. Within three hours of tabling, we were able to increase the number of votes from slightly over 300 votes to over 500 votes! Seeing as how rewarding this first voting party was, we are enthusiastic about our next voting party this Wednesday, October 25th and look forward to reaching out to even more Gaucho seniors!



2018 Senior Class Gift Funds

This year, Associated Students President Hieu Le selected three funds for the 2018 senior class to choose from for their Senior Class Gift. The senior class gift is a fund that seniors can donate to after they graduate. Seniors are able to vote at the voting parties held by UCSB First or online. The funds for this year are:

Associated Students Academic Resource

The Associated Students Academic Resource Fund was created by a former Associated Students President as the 2014 Senior Class Gift. This fund intends to help UC Santa Barbara students pay for the cost of textbooks and other course materials they may need.



The Green Initiative Fund

This fund was created by students in 2006 and would focus on reconnecting students with sustainability. The fund would go towards the Edible Campus Initiative, a campus farm, and food insecurity. All food grown on the farm will be donated to the Associated Students Food Bank.

Campus Advocacy Resources and Education (CARE)

The Campus Advocacy Resources and Education (CARE) fund is dedicated to assisting UCSB student survivors by providing financial assistance for unexpected emergency expenses. The Sexual Assault Survivor Fund relies entirely on donations and gifts from the community, and would send a message that "You are not alone."

