

## Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (SSTEM)

### Budget

- \$1,179,708

### Funding Source

- National Science Foundation, pass through Cal Poly

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### Timeline

- 07/01/2019-09/30/2023

### Summary of Activities

- NSF SSTEM's purpose is to support institutions of higher education to fund scholarships for academically talented low-income students and to study and implement a program of activities that support their recruitment, retention, and graduation in STEM.
- Local collaboration is "ENGAGE Engineering Neighbors: Gaining Access, Growing Engineers" - Allan Hancock College (AHC), Cuesta College, and California Polytechnic State University (Cal Poly) -- "engineering neighbors" on the California Central Coast.
- Directly impact 100 academically talented students with demonstrated financial need who begin their engineering education at a community college, transfer to a B.S. granting institution, are retained in and graduate with a B.S. degree, and enter the STEM workforce or graduate program.

### Highlights & Accomplishments

- 3 cohorts of students served by scholarship and mentoring activities at Cuesta.
- \$509,000 in scholarship funds disbursed
- Cohort mentorship, academic success coaching, and transfer support provided.

