

**Cuyamaca College**  
**El Cajon, California**

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Services

- Cuyamaca College provides a dual enrollment program for Juvenile Court and Community Schools (JCCS).
- Cuyamaca College is resolved to facilitate the successful navigation of formerly incarcerated students through the admissions, registration, financial aid and other processes at the college. In order to obtain the resources and support services needed to achieve academic and career goals, interested students should first contact Mr. Octavio Leal in the Counseling Center.

**Sacramento City College**  
**Sacramento, California**

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Resources

Re-emerging Scholars

- The Center for Re-Emerging Scholars supports formerly-incarcerated students and their allies.
- Our faculty provide mentorship, and our tutors assist with upcoming assignments, exams, and general study habit needs.
- connections to campus support services.
- connections to community organizations in the Sacramento area.
- community and access to the Re-Emerging Scholars Club.

**San Bernardino Valley College**  
**San Bernardino, California**

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#### Resources

All of Us or None (Student Club)

- All of Us or None's club mission is to encourage and support students who have been incarcerated and to develop a grassroots movement to assist this population.

**Santa Monica City College**  
**Santa Monica, California**

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#### Resources

Homegirl Homeboy Scholars (Student Club)

- to create a safe place that develop leaders who epitomize equality, equity, and social justice through empowerment and motivation as well as provide resources for system impacted individuals and formerly incarcerated individuals who seek higher education.

**Compton City College**  
**Compton, California**

#### Contact

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#### Resources

Formerly Incarcerated Student Transition (F.I.S.T.) program

- The Formerly Incarcerated Student Transition (F.I.S.T.) program provides academic, social and economic support for students reentering the community after incarceration.
- Provides scholarship money
- Weekly support meetings
- Connections to campus and community resources
- Transportation, housing and meal assistance
- Job search skills, personal development, preparation for careers

**Bakersfield College**  
**Delano, California**

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Resources

Free on the outside (FOTO) student club for formerly incarcerated students

- FOTO will provide resources to help members and peers break barriers to succeed in their education, careers, and future

Inmate scholars program

- Inmate scholars program which operates in 8 California department of corrections facilities including: Kern Valley state prison, North Kern state prison, Wasco state prison, Corcoran state prison, substance abuse treatment facility- Corcoran, McFarland female community re-entry facility, Delano MCCF, McFarland MCCF

**East Los Angeles College**  
**Monterey, CA**

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Resources

Homeboy Scholars student club

- to create a safe place that develop leaders who epitomize equality, equity, and social justice through empowerment and motivation as well as provide resources for system impacted individuals and formerly incarcerated individuals who seek higher education.

**LA City College**  
**Los Angeles, CA**

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Resources

Break it to make it (BITMI)- a unique program that assists incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals reintegrate into their communities through education.

- Educational counseling including assistance in course selection, development of a student educational plan, career planning and personal development classes

- Financial aid
- Peer to peer support
- Books and supplies- eligible students may fill out an application to receive books and supplies each semester

## **San Diego City College**

**San Diego, CA**

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### Resources

Urban Scholars Union (Student Organization)

- Student advocates with lived experience committed to empowering all cultures transitioning from incarceration to education. To cut recidivism rates through empowerment, leadership development, and reconstruction of social and personal narratives.

## **MiraCosta College**

**Oceanside, CA**

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### Resources

- Advocates for change
- Transitions Program
- Transitions Collective

Transitions collective is a support group for the transitions program, as well as a club for formerly incarcerated individuals. They want to show their community that they can change through education, and have a positive impact in their society.

