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California Community Colleges Board of Governors Member Henry A.J. Ramos Will be a Featured Speaker at Green California Community College Summit

- ❖ **Who:** California Community Colleges Board of Governors member [Henry A.J. Ramos](#)
- ❖ **What:** Mr. Ramos has been named a featured speaker for the 5th annual Green California Community College Summit to be held Sept. 27-28 at the Pasadena Convention Center. The Summit is the largest annual event in the nation that's focused exclusively on green curriculum, training programs and sustainability on the California Community College's 112 campuses – the largest system of higher education in the United States. A recent report from the Solar Foundation showed that 25 percent of the nation's solar energy jobs are in California and as the state's largest workforce provider, the California Community Colleges is uniquely positioned to provide the green energy sustainability sectors with the highly trained employees needed to fuel further growth.
- ❖ **When/** **Thursday, September 27 at 9 a.m.**
Where: **Green California Community College Summit**
Pasadena Convention Center
Exhibit Halls & Meeting Rooms
300 East Green Street, Pasadena, CA 91101
- ❖ **Why:** Ramos has served as a member of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors since 2009. During his tenure on the board, he has taken a leadership role on system sustainability issues, leading new efforts by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office in partnership with state-based, investor-owned utility executives to incentivize enhanced campus conservation, green building, environmental education programming, and leadership recognition. Through Ramos's focus on the issues, the Chancellor's Office has started a competitive awards program intended to highlight exemplary sustainability initiatives by California community college districts, leaders, faculty and students. The first set of awards was announced in May 2012. Ramos is an independent consultant to leading U.S. foundations and non-profit organizations, and also an artist and author/editor affiliated with a number of cultural and higher educational institutions in California, Texas and New York.
- ❖ **More:** Henry A.J. Ramos will be available for interviews following his address at the summit. Contact Paige Marlatt Dorr to schedule an interview or for more information.

The [California Community Colleges](#) is the largest system of higher education in the nation. It is composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.4 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills courses in English and math, and prepare students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

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