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# News Release



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## California Transportation & Logistics Institute Receives \$50,000 from Verizon

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*Verizon Foundation pledges support for the mission and programs of the Institute  
to help facilitate job creation in this rapidly growing industry*

**Los Angeles**— The California Transportation & Logistics Institute, with assistance of the Southern California Leadership Council, today received \$50,000 from the Verizon Foundation to help fund CATLI's mission and programs. The Verizon Foundation is the Institute's first private sponsor.

The Institute is a partnership of California's T&L Industry with the California Community College (CCC) and State University (CSU) Systems. CaTLI exists to serve the Transportation & Logistics Industry by providing:

- Customized training for companies and organizations for new and/or incumbent workers.
- Certified, industry driven training and education from high school to the university level for students, job seekers and current employees seeking to advance their careers.

CaTLI will initially focus on Southern California where the majority of the state's Transportation and Logistics Industry jobs can be found. The Institute currently includes eight California Community Colleges and three California State Universities. After a successful rollout in this region, CaTLI will be expanded to the entire state, and potentially even nationwide.

### **About the Verizon Foundation**

The Verizon Foundation focuses its philanthropic efforts on three overarching areas: Education, Safety and Health, and Volunteerism, where they believe their technology can make the greatest impact. Their contribution to CATLI supports their mission to improve education, literacy, family safety and healthcare by supporting Verizon's commitment to deliver technology that touches life.

### **About CaTLI**

*The California Transportation & Logistics Institute (CaTLI)* was formed in 2007 as a non-profit 501 (c) (3) subsidiary of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation. CATLI's mission is to promote the growth of careers in the Transportation & Logistics (T&L) Industry in California and address the rapidly growing need for skilled workers. Visit [www.laedc.org/catli](http://www.laedc.org/catli) or contact Alexander Shepetuk at (213) 236-4857 or [al.shepetuk@laedc.org](mailto:al.shepetuk@laedc.org) for more information.

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**About LAEDC**

The LAEDC, the region's premier business leadership organization, is a private, non-profit organization established in 1981 under section 501(C) (3). The LAEDC's mission is to attract, retain, and grow business and jobs for the regions of Los Angeles County. Since 1996, the LAEDC has helped retain or create more than 135,200 jobs, providing \$5.6 billion in direct economic impact from salaries and \$95 million in annual tax revenue benefit to Los Angeles County. For more information, please visit [www.laedc.org](http://www.laedc.org) or call (888) 4-LAEDC-1.

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