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**FRESNO FREE COLLEGE FOUNDATION**  
**Annual Report 2008-2009**

## Mission

Fresno Free College Foundation is a community-based membership organization dedicated to the principles that the well-being of the community is measured by the respect that it shows for the civil liberties, intellectual and artistic freedom of its citizens, and that the exercise of this freedom enriches the individual and society as a whole.

## Legal Status

### Federal

The Fresno Free College Foundation is exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. Donors may deduct contributions to the Foundation as provided in Section 170 of the Code.

Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to the Foundation are deductible for the Federal estate and gift tax purposes under Sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

### State

The Fresno Free College Foundation is incorporated under Section 9501 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporation Code of the State of California, also known as the General Nonprofit Corporation Law of California. The Foundation has also satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the Attorney General, Registry of Charitable Trusts, and the California Tax Board has ruled the Foundation exempt under the Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 23701(d).

When drafting your will, please consider making a bequest to the Fresno Free College Foundation.

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Frank Delgado, Creative Director

## YEAR IN REVIEW

KFCF/FFCF sponsored and participated in lots of wonderful events during 2008-2009, including our Annual Banquet celebrating the 40 Year Anniversary of FFCF.

Our guest speaker for the Annual Banquet was KPFA's Davey D., co-host of Hard Knock Radio, co-founder of the Bay area Hip Hop Coalition, and a member of the Bay Area Black Journalist Association. With numerous awards and accolades as a journalist and on-air personality, he also covered the Democratic and Republican conventions for Pacifica. He spoke on media consolidation and the role of alternative media in today's America.

KFCF also hosted several fundraisers, hosting authors Scott Ritter and Tariq Ali.

Staff and Programmers had a nice potluck gathering at Full Circle Brewery early in the year, and KFCF and Rick Flores, host of Wasteland of the Free, put on a well attended fundraiser featuring Lance Canales Trio at Full Circle in July.

You might have seen us at a variety of other events such as the Meet in the Middle 4 Equality event at City Hall, Rally in the Valley, Organic Stone Fruit Jubilee, the Pride Parade and Festival, the WILPF Faire, Chinatown Parade, the Vagina Monologues, Homelessness Marathon and Intermountain Festival. Help us keep free speech free.



## President's Message

Once again I want to thank our subscribers for keeping KFCF going strong in the Central Valley for another year. You are our life blood and without you 88.1 FM and the Fresno Free College Foundation would not be the beacon of light and source of information and cultural diversity that it is today.

The big news this year was the launching of our News Stringer Project! Thanks to the generous contributions of our listeners we have been able to fund local reporters (including Mike Rhodes and Vic Bedoian) to produce quality news reports about things that are of concern to our Valley, and to share that information on the newly expanded statewide joint KPFA/KPFK evening news.

We were struck this year with the loss of two very important members of our community. Marc Scalzo left us suddenly on March 6<sup>th</sup> while serving as Vice President of our Board of Directors. Marc was a dedicated labor organizer and community activist who periodically hosted a show on KFCF called Valley Politics. He was instrumental in helping Valley Black Talk get started as a program that airs news and information about Fresno's African American Community Monday nights from 8-10PM.

We also lost Polly Victor who, with her late husband, Ralph Victor, founded the Ananda Fund which has been providing financial assistance to poor children in India for 33 years. Polly was also an artist and a community activist who worked tirelessly for peace through the Friends Committee on National Legislation and many local organizations. FFCF is proud to serve as the fiscal agent for the Ananda Fund and Polly's contribution to our community will be sorely missed.

So as the year ends and we look forward to the challenges facing our community, our nation and the world, we hope together with you to keep the lines of communication open and to keep truth standing up to power.

Sue Kern, President

## FUNDED PROGRAMS

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Partners in Focus: This new program, under the guidance of William Raines, was so successful that it qualified for a second grant from the Fresno Arts Council, and continues to serve at-risk youth through an afterschool photography program.

The Sleeping Bag Project: We are one of the drop off points and also take cash donations to purchase more sleeping bags for the homeless. They are distributed through various organization.

The Ananda Fund: For orphans and underprivileged children in the state of Orissa, India the Ananda Fund offers opportunity through financial help “that has been continuing non-stop for the last 47 years.”

This wonderful program was created through the “initiative and the sacrifice made by Dr. Ralph Victor and Polly Victor for the educational upliftment of the poor high school children in rural areas and tribal dominated regions.” This year we lost Polly Victor, and her daughter, Joyce Victor, will now head this fund.

Children receive aid in the form of monthly scholarship, textbook and uniform grants, examination fee grants, admission fee grants, grants for writing materials, science room equipment, vocation training, etc., and support is provided on the basis of their economic and academic background.



## FUNDED PROGRAMS

Tibetan Waters: Our program of teaching has expanded thanks to the persistence of Pema Rinzen in lobbying for the study of local languages in the public schools. Our teacher, Ms. Jampa Dolma, is now allowed to teach Tibetan as an integral part of the school day's curriculum. This has resulted in a full and demanding teaching schedule. It is clear from the community's enthusiasm that Ms. Dolma is doing a tremendous job. This community enthusiasm means that her work now stretches beyond the school day to Tibetan literacy classes for adults in the community-particularly young women. And, with the help of a new tape recorder she has inspired a passionate interest in traditional Tibetan songs and dances. The sense of belonging to a respected broader community generated by these classes and her participation in the community is a giant leap toward cultural survival. Visiting the school in the evening we joined small children gathered outside the doors and windows intently watching and mimicking the older students and adults hard at work learning old dance steps.

News of our Tibetan classes within the students daily education curriculum has spread throughout the region, the school now hosts students from remote regions studying as boarders at what was only a few years ago a small poorly equipped day school. The school has become a source of pride and encouraged positive changes along with several requests by teachers for further training.

In India, we continue to provide funds for medical assistance and educational stipends to several monks and nuns. We are also working on plans to build a new kitchen at the Tibetan Buddhist monastery in Dalhousie.

Dear FFCF Members and Friends:

It has been quite a full year in my first full year as the Executive Director for the Foundation.

KFCF has upgraded our studio equipment, and have begun a project of upgrading our transmitter site equipment, including some redundancy in the event of an equipment failure.

We originated the national broadcast of the Homelessness Marathon's March for Our Life at the Republican National Convention, began streaming KFCF on the internet again and added a number of programs to serve our diverse minority communities.

The Ananda Fund and Mountain Water projects have continued with their programs. The Fresno Poets decided to fold their tent after a number of years and the retirement of Charles Hanzlicek. We began a program with William Raines, called Partners in Focus that works with disadvantaged at risk youth, teaching them photography. The Sleeping Bag Project gathered and distributed hundreds of sleeping bags and blankets for the homeless in our community.

With the economy stumbling, and record unemployment, it has been a tough year for the Foundation to keep even with past years for fundraising. Your support of KFCF is appreciated and helps us continue to bring KPFA and KFCF programming to you. Your support of Foundation projects helps our community. Thank you again for all your support in the past year.

Rych Withers, Executive Director



esno Free College Foundation for the Year Ended August 31, 2009  
Statement of Changes in Net Assets by Fund - Cash Basis

		Unrestricted			Unrestricted
		Net Assets at			Net Assets at
		Aug 31, 2008	Increases	Decreases	Transfers
		Aug 31, 2009			Aug 31, 2009
General Fund	\$ (252,881.03)	\$ 14,747.58	\$ (49,874.67)	\$ (286,020.70)	
KFCF	340,817.02	149,916.71	(178,881.13)	311,852.60	
Ananda	47,449.49	11,389.59	(25,195.86)	33,643.22	
Central Mtn. Waters	17,575.68	0.00	(13,270.00)	4,305.68	
Fresno Poets	19,645.47	3,037.86	(20,695.91)	(0.00)	
Sleeping Bag Project	0.00	337.00	(35.63)	301.37	
Partners In Focus	0.00	9,720.00	(9,719.83)	0.17	
Phil Stephens	1,777.60	0.00	0.00	1,777.60	
Totals	\$ 174,384.23	189,148.74	\$ (297,673.03)	\$ 0.00	\$ 65,859.94

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Other Changes in Net Assets - Cash Basis  
Combined Operations

For the Year Ended August 31, 2009

Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	\$ 290.46	
Administrative Fees	7,873.00	544.63
Banquet	628.00	8,086.52
Contributions	14,712.25	292,950.89
Dividends	290.49	4,722.14
Events	2,060.53	(108,524.29)
Grants	9,562.00	
Interest	1,327.78	
Merchandise Sales	1,024.50	174,384.23
News Stringer	3,986.00	\$ 65,859.94
Other	109.00	
Subscriptions & Membership	147,284.73	
Total Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	189,148.74	

ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
 Fresno Free College Foundation  
 Fresno, California

Expenses	290.46
Administrative Expenses	2,652.30
Advertising	832.81
Bank Charges	10,811.85
Banquet Expense	7,886.00
Depreciation	17,049.06
Donation	18,815.18
Equipment Expense	666.05
Events Expense	13,270.00
Grants Disbursed	7,615.00
Insurance	3,573.59
Merchandise	4,878.53
Miscellaneous	10,927.67
Outside Services	\$ 6,487.80
Personnel Costs:	5,615.69
Health Insurance	23.19
Payroll Taxes	64,886.31
Reimbursed Expenses	935.22
Salaries & Wages	87,948.21
Workers Compensation Ins.	1,773.32
Total Personnel Costs	9,953.68
Postage	13,981.86
Printing	16,078.06
Professional Fees	2,966.63
Rent	26,520.50
Sales Tax	10,400.00
Satellite & Subscription	9,329.39
Scholarships	6,099.59
Supplies	
Telephone & Utilities	

I have compiled the accompanying Statement of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets - Cash Basis of Fresno Free College Foundation as of August 31, 2009, the related Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Other Changes in Net Assets - Cash Basis, Statement of Changes in Net Assets by Fund - Cash Basis and the additional information of detail Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Other Changes in Net Assets - Cash Basis for each fund for the year then ended in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. These statements have been prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. I have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements or additional information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures ordinarily included in financial statements. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the organization's financial position and results of operations. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

Sharmayne Sikora  
 Certified Public Accountant  
 December 21, 2009

The complete financial report is available by request and at  
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