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## SMC's Tim Farley receives prestigious state relations award



The Council for Advancement and Support of Education Oct. 17 announced the recipients of its 2017 Service Awards in State Government Relations. SMC's Director of Community and Government Relations Tim Farley is being honored for his advocacy work and leadership in elevating Saint Mary's College's profile among California legislators and staff. Prior to his work at SMC, Farley served in elected office and on the staff for California state legislators and has successfully leveraged these relationships to advocate for issues important to his institution. According to Christopher Sindt, vice provost for academic affairs at Saint Mary's, Farley has "built an impressive program of community outreach and partnerships" and that the institution's government and community relations program is considered "one of the most effective in the state of California and has become a model for other colleges." And one community leader recently commended Farley's work, saying "Tim Farley's extraordinary gifts as a communicator and problem solver make him such an asset to our region. His passion and dedication to higher education are unrivaled."

Tim Farley Relations Conference in San Diego, California. The honorees will be recognized at an awards luncheon Dec. 7 at the 2017 Higher Education Government

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