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**MANN PACKING PARTNERS WITH CSUMB
TO ESTABLISH COLLEGE OF BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP**

SALINAS, Calif. – August 16, 2016 – [Mann Packing](#) signed an agreement with [California State University Monterey Bay](#) to create the **The Mann Packing Scholarship** for the school's [College of Business](#). Mann's is committing \$10,000 per year for the next five years to students who meet the following criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
- Submit a one page essay
- Major in any program in the College of Business
- A student from Monterey County
- A student with a parent or guardian who worked or works in the agricultural or farming sector
- A student who plans to work in Monterey County upon graduating from CSUMB

Lorri Koster, Mann's chairman & CEO, comments, "At CSUMB, over 50 percent of students are first-generation undergraduates. We are pleased and proud to provide this assistance to local students who have contributed positively to this community and intend to stay here and contribute more in the future."

Koster is a member of CSUMB's College of Business Advisory Council where she learned about the need for scholarships. She continued, "We are blessed to have a California State University in our backyard, yet financially a college degree can still be out of reach for many. It is our hope this scholarship will make a difference in the lives of many students in the College of Business."

Shyam Kamath, Dean of the CSUMB College of Business, thanked Lorri Koster and Mann Packing for its support. He commented, "This significant scholarship gift enables our most needy students from the Salinas Valley and other farming sector related communities to get a huge leg-up in pursuing the American Dream and contributing to our community and the larger society we live in."

The Mann Packing Scholarship promotion and selection will be handled by a CSUMB selection committee. The scholarships will be awarded beginning Fall 2017.

For more information on Mann's, visit veggiesmadeeasy.com.

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About Mann Packing Company

Founded in 1939, Mann Packing is an industry leading, third-generation supplier of premium fresh vegetables. Headquartered in Salinas, California, Mann's is one of the largest suppliers of western vegetables, Broccolini® and sugar snap peas in North America. The firm holds the distinguished Women's Owned Business Certification from the Women's Business Enterprise National Council - the most widely recognized and respected certification in the United States for women's business enterprises. Leading the way in product innovation, environmental sustainability and green supply chain management practices, Mann Packing is consistently vigilant in food safety, employee wellness and quality assurance, making for one of the most trusted brands in the industry.