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LAMC Foundation Member Charged with Grand Theft, Forgery

The former chairman of the Los Angeles Mission College Foundation has been arrested on charges he stole nearly \$10,000 in foundation money, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Jose Luis Oliva (dob 11/22/76) was charged in case BA429429 with one felony count each of grand theft and forgery. He was arrested Tuesday and released on \$20,000 bail.

Deputy District Attorney Alison Estrada from the Public Integrity Division is prosecuting the case.

The Los Angeles Mission College Foundation raises private donations to support the Los Angeles Mission College in Sylmar. Between January 2011 and January 2013, Oliva served as the foundation chairman.

Estrada said between June 2012 and January 2013, Oliva wrote three checks made out to "cash" in the amount of \$9,956 from the foundation's account and deposited the money in his personal bank account.

On one check he is charged with forging another foundation member's signature, Estrada said.

Oliva is scheduled to be arraigned at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center, Department 30, on Nov. 12. If convicted, he faces up to three years in county jail.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is investigating the case.

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