





### HOLIDAY FOOD GIVEAWAY A HUGE SUCCESS

On November 23rd students were excited to pick up a holiday chicken meal from the Crush Food Pantry. The first 50 students also received a \$50.00 Save Mart gift card. The college is thankful for its students and wanted to offer this special holiday meal to enjoy. Watch the [ABC30 news segment](#) and read the [Clovis Roundup newspaper article](#) about the event.

We know students appreciate and utilize the food pantries at the colleges and universities throughout the Central Valley. On November 16 the Inaugural Central Valley Higher Education Basic Needs Summit took place during Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. This first summit focused on education and awareness for faculty and staff on the campuses throughout the Central Valley. More than 100 faculty, staff, and administrators from the CSU, UC, and community colleges attended the event. Participants heard from a student panel about their basic needs experience; learned effective communication strategies for supporting students on their campus, how to access CalFresh Food, and engaged in discussion around housing insecurity and marketing. The Central Valley Basic Needs Collaborative plans to host more of these valley-wide opportunities in the future to continue to bring forward the importance of basic needs resources to support our college students.

### VIRTUAL RESOURCE FAIR HELD TO HONOR VETERANS

A resource fair was held on November 10 to share resources and information with our veterans. They also received a special Veterans Pack and a Save Mart gift card. Dr. Houston served as the guest speaker and shared his experiences as commander of various military units.

We truly appreciate our veterans as they are always going above and beyond to help. Recently, Billy Pryor, a Veterans Administration work study student, volunteered to share sample essays to help students learn how to showcase their veteran's experience if they apply for CCC scholarships. Billy graduated with his AA-T in Sociology and a CSU GE Breadth Certificate of Achievement in Spring 2021. Billy is now attending Fresno State. Billy is utilizing VA benefit Ch. 31 Veteran Readiness and Employment and is currently a VA work study student in the Veterans Resource Center.

### CONGRATULATIONS CLOVIS VETERANS MEMORIAL DISTRICT (CVMD) CEO LORENZO RIOS

President Dr. Bennett was honored to attend a special community ceremony for Mr. Lorenzo Rios recognizing his investiture as the Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army for California. Mr. Rios is a major supporter of CCC. Congratulations!

### CRUSH ATHLETICS: WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM EARN POSTSEASON PLAY

The women's soccer team gave it their all and made it to Round 2 in the playoffs. They closed out another impressive season with a 14-5-2 overall record. The women finished second in the final Central Valley Conference standings at 10-1-1 and made their fourth consecutive postseason appearance this year.

The women's cross-country team earned its highest showing in program history, finishing in fourth place overall at the 2021 California Community College Athletic Association (CCCCAA) State Championships at Woodward Park on November 20. Also competing at the event, the Crush men finished in 17th place to wrap up the season.

Great news from the Central Valley Conference (CVC) as men and women earned postseason awards. [Read the CVC news release.](#)

Speaking of athletics, CCC was selected as the starting and ending point for the Two Cities Race on November 7. This was exciting news as the race brings in athletes from across the globe to participate. Read the [Fresno Bee article](#) highlighting various fun facts.

### CCC PARTNERING WITH CITY OF FRESNO FAX SERVICES TO PROMOTE THE NEW #3 FAX BUS TO CCC STARTING IN JANUARY

