



## FUNDRAISING GOAL MET FOR #CLOVISCRUSHGIVINGDAY



Our second annual online #GivingTuesday campaign on November 27 was a huge success. Students, staff, faculty, administrators, and community members stepped up to the plate and together, \$26,338.22 was raised, which will go towards student scholarships. The college quickly reached its \$25,000.00 goal and, in doing so, Foundation Board President Gina Cuttone and Board Member Gus Bonner matched that by donating \$5000.00 each. We are grateful for all who donated and know our students will greatly benefit from the additional scholarships as they work to pursue their educational goals. Donors were inspired and amazed by our 2018 scholarship recipients. During the scholarship ceremony, students shared powerful stories about their educational journeys. Many have endured hardships, challenges and obstacles, but through it all, they remained focused on their educational goals. They were very grateful to the donors for believing in them by providing a scholarship to help them achieve their dreams. Read the article from the [Clovis Roundup newspaper](#).

## GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE CLUB HELPS BUTTE COUNTY FIRE VICTIMS

The Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) club organized a donation drive for victims of the Camp Fire in Butte County. The club collected five large boxes of toiletries, diapers, wipes, tissue, and hand sanitizer as requested by charities in the region. A Fresno area student who attends CSU Chico delivered the items. The GSA club thanks the students, faculty, and staff who rapidly responded during the short week before Thanksgiving to donate the items.

## SUCCESSFUL POST-SEASON FOR “CRUSH” ATHLETICS

The women's soccer team earned the #3 seed for the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCCAA) NorCal Regional playoffs which is the highest seed in program history. On November 17 the ladies triumphed in the first round of playoffs against Taft College. On November 21 the ladies battled through the second round game against Hartnell College, with two overtime periods and just fell short in penalty kicks. The final score was 1 to 1 with Hartnell College winning in penalty kicks. Thank you to Coach Orlando Ramirez and his staff for serving as role models and leading our ladies to excel on and off the field. Other accolades include Coach Orlando Ramirez being named coach of the year and Ariana Quintero being named player of the year by the Central Valley Conference.

The men's and women's inaugural cross country teams conquered the regular season earning them a place to compete in the State Championships at Woodward Park on November 17 with the women finishing 16th and men finishing 13th.

## DR. BENNETT AND TEAM PARTICIPATE AT AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES (AACC) CONFERENCE

Dr. Bennett along with a team from CCC and SCCC attended the AACC Guided Pathways Institute conference in San Diego on November 28 and 29. The conference provided strategies on developing a district-wide vision and action plan for scaling up our guided pathways plan.

## CCC PARTICIPATES IN FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE CELEBRATION

CCC celebrated the success of first-generation students, faculty, and staff on November 8. The event is an initiative from the Council for Opportunity in Education and the Center for First-generation Student Success. Staff from the TRIO and EOPS programs hosted a booth and helped students complete the program applications. They also distributed “I’m first to attend college” stickers to students and staff. Many of CCC’s students are first-generation students along with staff including President Lori Bennett and Biology Instructor Rosa Alcaraz.



## STUDENT VETERANS HONORED



On November 7 a veterans resource fair was held to provide information about community programs and resources available to student veterans. They were also treated to a delicious complimentary lunch. A special presentation was held as the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 3225 of Clovis donated two clocks to the Veterans Resource Center. One clock is local time and the other is Zulu time. The clocks make a wonderful addition to the new center.

## PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES HOLDS MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT

A men's mental health awareness event was held on November 7 to share information about men's mental health topics, self-care, and wellness. Students also learned about the various psychological services and other resources available on campus.

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER RECEIVES REAFFIRMATION

The Child Development Center (CDC) recently earned reaffirmation on accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Congratulations to the faculty and staff for their diligent work and ongoing efforts for the children and families who utilize the CDC.

## CANNED FOOD DRIVE BENEFITS THE "CRUSH" FOOD PANTRY

A canned food drive is being held November 14 through December 14. The college is asking for non-perishable food items for the "Crush" food pantry. Since its opening in August, nearly 400 students have visited the food pantry to grab snacks between classes or pick up a bag of groceries. Items can be dropped off at the Herndon campus or the main campus.

## IT'S "ON COURSE" FOR ALL AT CCC

In November, CCC hosted various On Course workshops designed for classified staff, students, administrators, and STEM faculty. In December, CCC will host a four-day workshop entitled "Designing & Facilitating Learning Experiences." As a result of CCC's commitment to active learning through the On Course workshops, many of the faculty are successfully implementing key strategies in their courses to improve student success.

## GRAPHIC DESIGNER JASON MENDEZ'S ARTWORK FEATURED IN CALENDAR FOR DUMONT PRINTING, INC.



Graphic Designer Jason Mendez was one of 12 designers selected to be featured in the 2019 calendar. With the calendar theme being "Retro," the digital painting features SCCCD's new downtown Guarantee Building for the month of July and takes inspiration from racing posters from the 1930's-60's.

## ACTIVE LEARNING SATURDAY SESSIONS A "CRUSH" SUCCESS

Active Learning Saturday sessions are a big hit at CCC. All faculty are invited to participate in the two-hour sessions to learn new structures and strategies to increase student learning. A big thank you to Ann Brandon for designing and facilitating the sessions.

## INTERPAPALOOZA SHOWCASES TALENTED COMMUNICATION STUDENTS

This wonderful exhibition of performances were created and performed by students in the Communication 12, Fundamentals of Interpretation class. Participants were selected by their peers to represent the class and performances included children's stories and compilations of prose, dramatic scripts, and poetry.

## ENTHUSIASTIC STUDENTS FROM THE FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE (FYE) GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY



Students in the INTDS 50 College Success class volunteered at various community organizations and learned lifelong lessons in the process. Students felt an overwhelming sense of accomplishment and gratitude after their volunteer experiences. Instructors from the course also joined students at the volunteer sites. Service duties included serving breakfast at the Fresno Rescue Mission, tutoring children at the Pinedale Boys and Girls Club, and working at the Habitat for Humanity's ReStore.