



Report to the Board of Trustees, SCCCD

September 1, 2020

## STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Clovis Community College follows a six-year planning and evaluation cycle. After updating the mission, vision, and values statements last year, this year's focus turns to strategic planning. Our 2017-2021 strategic plan includes six strategic goals that have guided our work for the last four years. Our annual summary highlights the progress made on each goal and action item. The goals include:

- Providing access
- Improving teaching and learning
- Supporting student services
- Developing community partnerships
- Expanding resources and facilities
- Striving for excellence in institutional effectiveness

This fall, we will spend time analyzing our completion and success data and participate in a variety of professional development activities focused on student equity. In the spring, we will use this knowledge to develop our 2021-2025 strategic plan. We look forward to this important project and sharing our results with our Board of Trustees and community.

#### **OPENING DAY EXCITEMENT**

Guest speaker Lasana Hotep delivered a well-received presentation with questions, comments and lots of interaction. Mr. Hotep's presentation focused on reframing our mindset to remove barriers to student success. Attendees strategized in break out Zoom sessions to discuss why groups may be disproportionately impacted and develop possible solutions. The college will incorporate his book in upcoming training sessions. The Employee Justice and Healing Circle sessions continue every Wednesday and the topic for August 19 is a debriefing about Lasana Hotep's Opening Day session. Other presentations included updates on the college, tenure celebration, cyber security, Guided Pathways, budget, Title IX, DSP&S, and psychological services. Congratulations to Child Development Instructor Liz Romero on earning the "Crush" Spirit award. Every year on Opening Day, Dr. Bennett presents this award to a dedicated and hardworking employee.

## JOIN US FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY VIDEO PREMIERE

The annual <u>Scholarship Awards Ceremony</u> is Thursday, September 10 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Due to COVID-19, this year's event will be a video highlighting our hard-working scholarship recipients. The number of scholarships continues to rise each year, thanks to the generous donors of the "Clovis Crush Giving Day" fundraising event.

# STUDENTS GREETED VIRTUALLY DURING WELCOME WEEK



Staff and student ambassadors hosted a live Zoom session during the first week. Students logged on and asked a variety of questions. In addition, students called the Welcome Center and were greeted with a friendly voice to answer their questions. Also, President Dr. Bennett provided a wonderful welcome message to students.

### **FALL REOPENING PLAN UPDATE**

Based on the current increase in COVID-19 cases in our region and the recent feedback from the Fresno County Health Department, all our science labs are currently online through September 7. By the first week of September, we will reevaluate the current state and local guidelines to govern our decision about offering any on-ground lab sessions later in the semester. The science faculty have been incredibly flexible and have planned for this adjustment to online. Two Mechatronics classes are currently on-ground. These courses have small student enrollment and are held in a large, open classroom with signage to remind students to social distance, wash hands, and wear a face covering. Students and faculty will follow strict safety protocols recommended by the Fresno County Health Department.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO DEAN OF STUDENT SERVICES GURDEEP HÉBERT

Gurdeep is a 2020 honoree for the Marjaree Mason Center's 37th Annual Top Ten Professional Women and Leading Business Awards. A virtual celebration will take place on October 20 from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Gurdeep is a true servant leader dedicated to student success.



## TRIO EARNS FUNDING FOR TWO PROGRAMS



TRIO earned a \$500,000 competitive grant from Department of Education for the 2020-2021 academic year in two areas: Student Support Services (SSS) and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). TRIO will continue to address social and cultural barriers support and students disadvantaged from backgrounds in their pursuit to transfer to a four-year university and earn a degree. Our hard working TRIO counselors provide students free comprehensive services through academic assistance, career development, and personal

and financial aid counseling. During the COVID-19 pandemic, our students have lost jobs, loved ones, and at times, hope. However, they have never lost the support from our college. Counselors continue to guide students through the virtual transition. A special thank you recognition to Ashlee Hickey, Rachel Moring, Kira Tippins, and Angelita Zaragoza for their commitment and effort on writing the grant, and to the Grants and External Funding team for their guidance.

# #LIVELIKEMOLLY WEEK VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES PLANNED TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF THE LATE MOLLY GRIFFIN WITH VARIOUS ACTS OF KINDNESS STARTING ON AUGUST 24



On February 21, 2015, former CCC student Molly Griffin was tragically killed by a drunk driver at the young age of 23. Molly, who was a nurse, was an incredible young woman who had a passion for doing random acts of kindness. Molly was born on August 26th which is why CCC has selected the fourth week in August to spread kindness throughout the community. Participate in these virtual activities.

# CCC STUDENT'S ARTWORK DISPLAYED ON BILLBOARD IN OAKLAND



Art (Digital Multimedia) Instructor Janice Ledgerwood developed a wonderful partnership with Bridgegood over the past few years. Several of her students entered the Bridgegood Design Competition "Inspire Oakland." Ally Fletcher-Carillo was one of the top six designers and will have a billboard, bus bench ad, and social media flyers displaying her artwork. The billboard is placed along a freeway so thousands and thousands of people will see her amazing work. Ally was also awarded a UX Design apprenticeship with Bridgegood and is currently working as a design apprentice. This experience opened a new career path for her that she had not imagined. Congratulations Ally! We truly appreciate Janice's time in partnering with Bridgegood which provides awesome opportunities to art students. Last year another CCC art student, Kelsey Perez, won this prestigious competition.

# VIRTUAL CRUSH DAYS/NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION



Nearly 300 students participated in the weeklong sessions offered to new students July 27 through July 31. Zoom sessions included presentations on Canvas, WebAdvisor, student mental health in the age of COVID-19, student ambassador panel, tutorial center, and student support services. In addition, President Dr. Bennett and ASG President Alexis Bissell held a student town hall on August 5 to provide an update for the fall semester and answer questions.