



Basic Needs Committee (BNC)
Minutes
March 18, 2024

Committee Members							
x	Koji Uesugi, Co-Chair	x	Marisa Fierro	x	Sgt. Brian Owen	x	Carla Tablas
	Cristina Springfield (fac)	x	Christina Kessler	x	Karelyn Hoover		
x	Christina Cammayo, Co-Chair		Shelly Laddusaw	x	Xiaopan Xue	x	Vivian Hernandez (G)
	Alissa Duong (fac)	x	Rosie Esparza		Johnny Kay (Community)	x	Lorena Cardozo (G)
	Rigo Estrada	x	Candie Marin		Krystina Cordasco (Student)		
x	Barbara Carrillo	x	Ken Bohan		Esteban Bortello (Student)		

I. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement (2 min) - Updated

It is important for Mt. SAC to acknowledge that our campus resides on what was historically the homeland of Indigenous People. At the start of each Basic Needs Committee meeting, we acknowledge the Indigenous People at Mt. SAC:

*“We would like to take a moment to acknowledge that we are on Tongva land and recognize them as the traditional caretakers of Tovaangar (the Los Angeles Basin, Southern Channel Islands), what we now call home. We would also like to pay our respects to the Honuukvetam (**Ancestors**), ‘Ahihirom (**Elders**) and ‘Eyoohiinkem (**our relatives/relations**) past, present and emerging.*

II. Review and Approval of Minutes for November 20, 2023 (5 min)

III. Updates (20 minutes)

- Basic Needs Resources (Team): Rigo is on Paternity Leave, Congratulations!
 - CalFresh Outreach (regular updates – Vivian): LA Care Health Grant has been awarded to BNR (Basic Needs Resources). This will help maximize outreach efforts, this will be through our Foundations Office. CFO (CalFresh Outreach) week was Feb.26-March1st. Partnered with FA to send a mass communication, they had over 80 applications. Students were able to interact with staff, has more presence across campus. Also had a food sample event.
 - May is CalFresh Awareness Month!
 - Mountie Fresh Food Pantry and Snack Rack (Vivian): Hours of operation have adjusted to 10 am-5 pm Tue/Wed. No longer using ESARS, using Navigate. Had over 639 students visited the pantry last week, the first food pantry for spring semester. Snack Rack program has expanded, the new partners are; ABE, WIN program, STEM center, DHH, and Counseling in 9B
 - Housing (Lorena): Etrieve application is now live, have received 10 applications so far. There are 4 female students in Bridge Housing, 3 male units in rapid rehousing and there are 3 students waitlisted.
 - Case management (Lorena): promoting Upward Childcare services. Lorena will be hosting presentations so programs get a better idea of services that are being offered, a better understanding of those services and that students can benefit from. Method of promoting Upward Childcare services, when students meet with navigators they will be informed, also based on what the student intake form. A member mentioned the barrier that trans students are facing when it comes to housing, sensitivity component and if students can meet their roommate prior. Lorena said there has been

conversation with Jovenes on this. There has been trans student housed by Jovenes, there is some confidential components, currently students are not able to meet in advance. There was a question about the Upward Childcare services, if this is outsourced childcare. Lorena provided information about the services and the platform.

IV. Discussion (60 min)

- Goals and Purpose and Function Statement approved (10 min) – Christina
 - Additional membership request for consideration. Poll results of 12 attendees; (5/12) 42% Yes and (7/12) 58% No
- Basic Needs Allyship Training (50 min) - Lorena

V. Good of the Order (2 min)

VI. Next Meeting

- April 15, 2024

VII. Adjourn