



OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

TO: LACCD Board of Trustees
FROM: Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez
DATE: December 12, 2018
SUBJECT: December 2018 - Chancellor's Monthly Report

The LACCD December report includes brief updates on the following:

- I. District Updates
II. Update on the LACCD Enrollment
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I. District Updates

LACCD had a very strong showing at the CCLC Annual Convention with five trustees and seven college presidents attending. LACCD was involved with presenting several workshops focused on the WLAC bachelor's program, fundraising, LGTBQ and equity issues, and strategic communications. The ELAC Let's Dance Company also performed at the Opening General Session. ELAC President Marvin Martinez presided over the annual meeting as the Chair of the statewide CEO group.

All LACCD Colleges and the District Office sent teams to the Guided Pathways Conference sponsored by AACC in San Diego, November 28-29, 2018.

The repairs of the District's Educational Services Center lobby entrance continue with a new anticipated completion date of late-December. The repairs include new steel structure, new heat controlling glass, new ADA compliant doors, new trim and logos.

As part of Giving Tuesday, the ELAC Foundation hosted a panel discussion on Tuesday, November 27 entitled, "Homelessness Crisis Among California Community College Students" that included Trustee David Vela.

The LAVC Family Resource Center hosted a Resource Fair at the Music Recital Hall on Thursday, November 29 where Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian was honored. In addition, the Community Career Development was awarded a WorkSource Center contract by the City of Los Angeles. LAVC will host the WorkSource Center designed to serve the South San Fernando Valley and will be focused on veterans, individuals with disabilities, homeless individuals, and English Language Learners, in addition to domestic violence survivors, mature workers, and transgender populations.

L.A. Trade-Tech College held its end-of-semester Gold Thimble Fashion Show on Friday, December 7. The Gold Thimble Fashion celebrated the work of fashion students on the runway, as well as nine LATTC students who have been selected to participate in Nike's "Diversity by Design" paid six-month Apprenticeship Program in Beaverton, Oregon. The nine LATTC students were selected from 52 design students from multiple colleges who participated in the Nike Combine competition. This is an all-expenses paid and full salary internship, with the chance of landing a full-time career opportunity at Nike. In addition to the interns, the Gold Thimble Fashion Theme is "Sister Cities: Los Angeles and Mexico City." The designs will highlight the indigenous designs of Mexico. Two of the student fashion designers who win the theme category will receive a trip to Mexico City to work with the Indigenous Design Collective there and mount a runway show in 2019, when that city celebrates the 50th anniversary of its Sister City relationship with Los Angeles.

Two significant events in November had profound impacts on the Los Angeles Pierce College community: the mass shooting at the Borderline Bar and Grill and the Woolsey Fire.

November 7, a gunman opened fire on the crowd inside the Borderline Bar and Grill in Thousand Oaks, an establishment frequently visited by many college students. While no current students were shot, three of the 12 shooting victims were former students, including Ventura County Sheriff's Sergeant Ron Helus, Blake Dingman and Telemachus Orfanos.

On November 8, the American Red Cross established an Emergency Evacuation Center on the Pierce College campus for victims of the Woolsey Fire. Although Pierce College's Farm had been used for previous emergency animal evacuations, this was the first time that people would be temporarily housed on campus. Nearly 1,200 people and hundreds of large and small animals sought comfort at Pierce in the midst of the destructive Woolsey Fire. In consultation with Chancellor Rodriguez, the campus closed for classes and activities for two days with more than 250 faculty, staff, and students instead serving the community as volunteers at the evacuation center. By all accounts, their efforts were among the proudest moments in Pierce College history.

II. Update on the LACCD Enrollment

Total credit census headcount for Fall 2018 is 135,392 students. This represents a slight decline from Fall 2017 (-616 students or -0.5%). While overall headcount was unchanged, there were changes in some categories of enrollment: first-time and transfer students declined by 6% (-2,026), continuing and returning students increased by 1% (+844), and concurrent enrollment of high school students increased by 4% (566 students). In addition, AB540 students declined by 7% (from 5,207 to 4,845) and international students declined by 16% (from 1,914 to 1,617). The number of students in the Fall 2018 Los Angeles College Promise cohort is nearly 4,800 students, an increase of over 700 students (18%) compared to Fall 2017. Together with an additional 359 California College Promise students (from non-LAUSD high schools), the incoming Promise cohort is over 5,000 students.

Metrics associated with the new student centered funding formula (SCFF) were recently reported to the state Chancellor's Office MIS. The SCFF includes three broad categories

of measures: Access (FTES); Equity (counts of AB540, California Promise Grant, Pell Grant students) and Success (awards of degrees, certificates, and students completing transfer level English and math in the first year). Comparing annual counts for 2017-18 to 2016-17, there was a decline in the number of students receiving California Promise grants (-3.2%) and Pell grants (-15.2%). However, awards of degrees and certificates, and students completing transfer level English and Math classes, saw significant increases (+5% for AAs; +35% for ADTs; +7% for certificates; and +50% for transfer level English and math in the first year). Overall, total credit awards increased by 7% for the District compared to less than 1% statewide.

Projections for all SCFF metrics are currently being updated in meetings with all colleges, occurring throughout November.

III. Reports from the College Presidents Based on the District Strategic Plan 2018-2023

Goal 1: Access to Educational Opportunities

- **East Los Angeles College** – To address the homelessness issue that many ELAC students face, the ELAC Foundation held a panel discussion on Giving Tuesday, November 27 to discuss the progress that ELAC’s Transforming Lives Campaign has made so far this year. The ELAC Foundation is providing food vouchers, transportation assistance, and books and tuition for students who otherwise would not have the means. The event concluded with a check presented to Mr. Andrea Marchetti, Executive Director of Jovenes Inc., for \$10,000. Jovenes Inc., located in Boyle Heights, helps youth, ages 18-25, to end their cycle of homelessness.
- **Los Angeles Harbor College** – Harbor’s Honors Transfer Program hosted an Alumni Panel on November 30 to engage current honors students. Event highlights included transfer application tips, benefits of public and private university, navigating around a new campus, finding internships/research positions, and post-grad life. The Panel consisted of Secilia Corona, UCI ’17 Criminology Major; Liliana Perez, UCLA ’19 Psychobiology Major; Erin Soriano, UCLA ’16 Chemistry Major; Alex Lee, USC ’19 Electrical Engineering Major.
- **Los Angeles Harbor College** – Harbor hosted a Q&A on November 27 with Viet Thanh Nguyen, USC Professor of English, American Studies and Ethnicity and Comparative Literature. He is the author of the best-selling short story collection *The Refugees* and the Pulitzer Prize winning novel *The Sympathizer*. *The Refugees* was a suggested read for our first-year students. The theater was filled to capacity and it was a great experience for the students.
- **Los Angeles Mission College** – More than 450 students met with faculty and counselors during the second annual Major Fair to learn about the various majors, certificates and degrees offered at L.A. Mission College. Departments represented included: Life Sciences, Culinary Arts, Chicano Studies, Child Development, Math, Computer Science, Kinesiology/Athletics, and Social Sciences. Students from Arleta High School attended as well as a few community members. Students enjoyed free pizza and had the opportunity to talk to professors and counselors about majors and find out what careers relate to those majors.
- **Los Angeles Pierce College** – The Adult Education Program offers free noncredit certificates and courses with the goal of preparing students to obtain gainful

- employment, enhance their current skills, and prepare to enter credit programs. Through collaborative partnerships with department chairs, faculty, West Valley Occupational Center, WorkSource Centers, regional employers, and community organizations the following AE programs are being offered: (1) Medical Assistant, (2) Phlebotomy Technician, (3) Geriatric Caregiver, along with Workplace Success.
- **Los Angeles Southwest College** – LASC has entered into an agreement with New Design Charter School to establish a joint educational program that will include collaboration in areas of mutual interest. A memorandum of understanding was signed November 30 in LASC's Little Theatre. New Design Charter School is part of New Designs Charter Management Organization (CMO) and serves two campuses: Watts Campus and University Park.
 - **Los Angeles Southwest College** – LASC administrators visited the offices of the Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC) in Los Angeles on November 10 and met with Executive Director Shaka Senghor to explore opportunities for potential partnership. ARC is an advocacy network of more than 450 members as well as hundreds of volunteer mentors and allies committed to helping each other through reentry and advocating for a fairer criminal justice system. ARC was founded by Scott Budnick, who produced numerous successful comedies, including The Hangover series. ARC's model of support combines educational and rehabilitative programming inside detention facilities, with comprehensive reentry services upon release.
 - **Los Angeles Southwest College** – LASC had the honor of hosting a delegation from the Ministry of Industry & Information Technology of the Chinese government on November 9. The state agency of the People's Republic of China is responsible for regulation and development of the postal service, Internet, wireless, broadcasting, communications, production of electronic and information goods, software industry and the promotion of the national knowledge economy. LASC President Dr. Seher Awan, Career and Technical Education Dean Rick Hodge and Deputy Sector Navigator Gurminder Sangha provided the delegation with a comprehensive presentation on topics such as LASC's models to increase efficiency in technology, collaboration in support of training for jobs in the tech industry, and career support efforts on campus. An overview of industry and manufacturing efforts in the Los Angeles region, career readiness, job opportunities as well as LASC's academic programs were also shared.
 - **Los Angeles Southwest College** – Los Angeles World Airports' HireLAX Apprenticeship Readiness Program will have its fourth cohort at LASC. The program provides an introduction to construction careers and assistance with everything needed to start a union construction career. The next orientation is Jan. 5, 2019, in the Little Theatre on LASC's campus.
 - **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** – For the third straight year, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce brought its Cash for College outreach event to the LATTC campus on November 9-10. More than 6,000 high school and middle school students attended workshops, stopped by information booths and were engaged by LACCD's colleges and 30 of Trade Tech's programs as part of the two-day conference. The conference exposes students to financial aid choices and college opportunities. LA Chamber CEO Maria Salinas, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, LACCD Board of

Trustees President Mike Fong and Chancellor Rodriguez all joined in the selection of 10, \$1,000 scholarship winners at the end of the event.

- **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** – LATTC hosted an on-campus press conference on December 4, featuring Assemblymember (and former LACCD Board member) Miguel Santiago, Board President Mike Fong, Board Vice President Steve Veres, Trustee David Vela, Chancellor Rodriguez and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, to announce the introduction of AB 2 to extend the California College Promise initiative to two full years of free tuition at California community colleges.
- **West Los Angeles College** – A partnership with Jobs Vision Success (JVS) has been confirmed to offer healthcare programs (CNA & Medical assisting) starting Spring 2019.
- **West Los Angeles College** – Westside Extension received an award from South Bay WIB for 100% job placement of Construction 100 program graduates. The training program is a partnership with PVJOBS, a nonprofit community-based organization that focuses on employment for at-risk individuals such as veterans and re-entry for previously incarcerated. Graduates receive three industry-recognized certifications.
- **West Los Angeles College** – WLAC hosted more than 100 LAUSD Local District West counselors and administrators from the middle and high schools on November 27. Student Services and Academic Affairs provided updates on AB 705, Special Programs, AB 540, California and LA College Promise, Non-Credit, Dual Enrollment and Academic Programs.
- **West Los Angeles College** – WLAC partnered with TOMS Shoes and L.A. Tech Talent Pipeline to provide speed networking and mock interviews for 70 students.
- **West Los Angeles College** – WLAC has officially launched its associate degree program in Climate Change Studies, the first and only program of its kind at any California community college. First classes will begin in Spring 2019.
- **Los Angeles Valley College** – The Business Administration Department at Los Angeles Valley College hosted its third Entrepreneurship Conference on Friday, November 26. More than 160 attendees experienced breakout sessions that catered to the spirit and mindset of entrepreneurs. Students and guests participated in lectures on how to become a CPA, creating a business, and working in the entertainment industry. Students were also introduced to two exciting LAVC Business programs: Entrepreneurship Retreat and Start Up Boot Camp. These sessions enable students to find their passion through self-discovery and turn their ideas into a market offering through the spirit of entrepreneurship.

Goal 2: Premier Learning Environments

- **East Los Angeles College** – On November 13, more than 100 people attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Physics and Earth Sciences building. Chancellor Rodriguez, LACCD Board President Mike Fong, and Trustee Scott Svonkin gave welcoming remarks. The 26,000-square-foot, two-story, building completes the 120,000-square-foot Science Career & Mathematics Complex (SCMC) at ELAC. This building is part of the new campus quad, which includes the Campus Student Center Bookstore and the Ernest H. Moreno Language Arts and Humanities building. The

building is housing the Anthropology, Astronomy, Geography, Geology, and Physics departments and contains five classrooms and five laboratories.

- **Los Angeles Harbor College** – Harbor’s Chef Erik and the Culinary Arts Program students cooked 20 turkeys on Thanksgiving Day for the L.A. Harbor Boys and Girls Club to serve more than 2,400 people. This is an annual tradition in the Wilmington area.
- **Los Angeles Mission College** – Seven students from the Choir and Voice classes at Mission College sang as part of the choir in the ‘La Boheme’ opera production December 7-8 in the Arts, Media and Performance Theater. Students were encouraged to perform with Landmark Opera Company, managed by Music Professor Josh Wentz, DMA. Dr. Wentz emphasizes the importance of live performances and looks for opportunities for students to hone their craft. Recently, music students performed during the Veterans Day event, Oktoberfest, and the Santa Clarita concert, ‘Mozart’s Requiem.’
- **Los Angeles Pierce College** – The British National Debate Team toured the campus and collaborated with Pierce students on November 5, developing arguments to engage in cross-cultural dialogue with one another.
- **Los Angeles Southwest College** – LASC’s Theatre Program launched its newest form of social justice theatre with an original production entitled “The Awakening” on November 30 and December 1 in the Little Theatre. The Theatre Program has focused its work for the past three years on social justice theatre, tackling projects that confront injustice, inequality, and racism. Students write, direct, stage, and produce their own work in a highly rigorous and creative atmosphere. The result of the group’s exploration is an originally devised production presented on campus but also shown in a national competition – The Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival.
- **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** – The TheaterWorkers presented its play “Right Road Lost-FOUND” on November 20, which focused on the challenges facing the formerly incarcerated as they move back into civilian life, including higher education. The actors are all formerly incarcerated persons and the plot lines are very personal. One of the actors is an LATTTC student. A packed house of LATTTC students got a chance to ask questions of the actors in Act II, following the play. Some of the audience members became very emotional when asking questions of the actors and shared their own life experiences.
- **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** – The STEM Club at LATTTC held its annual Egg Drop competition on November 20, which is open to all students, not just science and engineering students. Every contestant is asked to make a protective apparatus around an egg, which is dropped from the K-Mall bridge to the cement below. Entries that break are eliminated, but those that do not break are weighed, and the winner is the contestant who keeps the egg intact with the lightest amount of protection. One of the utility linemen won this year with a type of box contraption. The egg drop is a focus on STEM education and the event is popular with many of our students.
- **Los Angeles Valley College** – The award-winning LAVC Family Resource Center / LAVC Workforce Training Department hosted an event on November 29 to thank Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian for sponsoring a California State Budget Carve-out

for \$800,000. The funds will be used to expand the footprint of the existing FRC, as well as to create a satellite facility on campus to extend FRC services. Community social service agencies will be co-located at the satellite FRC to better serve our students. Speakers included President Dr. Erika Endrijonas; FRC Founder and Director Marni Roosevelt; FRC Program Coordinator Amber Angel; LAVC Adult/Community Education and Workforce Training Dean Dr. Doug Marriott; Propel LA Executive Director Marianne Haver Hill; and LAVC Foundation Executive Director Raul Castillo. The LAVC Foundation has created an endowment that will provide a yearly “Adrin Nazarian Scholarship” to LAVC student parents.

Goal 3: Student Success and Equity

- **Los Angeles City College** – The new Veterans Center opened on November 8. The new facility is larger and has more services for our veteran students.
- **Los Angeles City College** – Expansion of Ralph Bunche Scholars program; advisory committee met to evaluate current requirements to make recommendations for changes.
- **East Los Angeles College** – On November 30, the ELAC Outreach and Recruitment department hosted a collaborative event with the College Futures Foundation, Career Ladders Project, and Jobs For the Future (JFF), “Achieving Equity through Dual Enrollment.” Speakers from JFF and Career Ladders Project (CLP) shared highlights from recent research on dual enrollment implementation, innovations, barriers, and policy considerations in California, and framed these issues in the national context. A shared understanding was developed regarding the state of dual enrollment in California, including innovations, systems-level challenges, and considerations for equity, as well as lessons gleaned from other states’ experiences with dual enrollment. The James Irvine Foundation, the College Futures Foundation, the Gates Foundation, and several other foundations were in attendance to discuss making investments in strategies that can improve student equity in post-secondary, dual enrollment education.
- **Los Angeles Harbor College** – Congratulations to Ryan Robinson, Harbor’s #1 starting pitcher, who was awarded an Athletic Scholarship to CSU East Bay. Ryan’s impressive 2018 stats as a long reliever; Record 2 -0 -1, ERA 1.74, 19 K’s/4 BB’s in 20.2 inn. Ryan was attracted by Harbor’s baseball program transfer rate. Ryan was also selected to play in this year’s Fall Showcase that features only the top JC players to perform in front of MLB scouts and college coaches. Ryan will graduate from Harbor Spring 2019.
- **Los Angeles Harbor College** – The Women’s Cross-Country Team hit long strides to win the CCCAA (CA Community College Athletic Association) State Championship this season. Brenda Rosales Coria, was runner-up in 2017 and a repeat All-American, timed at 17:59.4 in the 5-kilometer race; Olivia Quezada, 8th, 18:17.7; Cynthia Melendez, 13th 18:53.3; Andrea Gonzalez Macias, 22nd 19:22.2; and Estrella Montiel, 28th 19:36.8. Additionally, the Men’s Team placed 4th. Overall, Harbor is the best-combined Cross Country program in the State of California. In addition to the State victory, the Women’s Team swept all three (3) championships winning Conference, Southern California Championships and State. First time in history, that Harbor’s

women have won back-to-back Conference Championships. The Team will participated in the 28th Annual Spirit of San Pedro Holiday Parade December 2.

- **Los Angeles Mission College** – The Transfer Center at Mission provided workshops, application support, and one-on-one meetings with UC and CSU mentors to help students prepare for the November 30 transfer application deadline to UCs and CSUs. The Transfer Center worked to alert students about the deadline, and encouraged students to visit the office to meet with the director and staff to get assistance with college applications.
- **Los Angeles Pierce College** – The Fall 2018 admission cycle proved to be a successful one for Pierce students transferring to UCLA. The college's special programs certainly helped these students reach their goals. Pierce students who participate in the Center for Community College Partnerships and the Honors Transfer Program have the highest acceptance rate in SoCal to UCLA at 93%.
- **Los Angeles Southwest College** – Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and Councilman Marqueece Harris-Dawson visited LASC on October 31 to meet the 27 students in HireLAX's Apprenticeship Readiness Program's third cohort ahead of the cohort's graduation a few days later. Garcetti and Harris-Dawson addressed the class, congratulated its participants, and joined them for a group photo. Garcetti and Harris-Dawson then engaged in hands-on construction training alongside the students with the guidance of a HireLAX instructor. The HireLAX Apprentice Readiness Program (ARP) is a collaboration between public agencies, higher education, nonprofits, unions, and the private sector that helps L.A. residents in the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) impact area to become apprenticeship-ready in preparation for construction jobs at LAX. Classes are taught by L.A. Trade-Tech faculty.
- **Los Angeles Southwest College** – Four L.A. College Promise students from LASC were selected to participate in a trip to Tokyo, Japan as part of Mayor Eric Garcetti's Young Ambassador (MaYA) program. The students are Ameera Stitt, Kudus Edu, Gerardo Gutierrez and Ishari Bennett. Mayor Garcetti's Office of International Affairs established the MaYA initiative to connect young Angelenos with the international community.
- **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** – LATTC and Mission College joined Boardmember Scott Svonkin on December 4 to present the Camp Gonzalez Transformation Project to the Board of Supervisors, whereby LATTC will be providing apprenticeship preparation in construction and Mission College will be providing culinary training to former probation youth at the site of the former Probation Camp.
- **West Los Angeles College** – WLAC received a five-year grant award totaling \$2.75 million from the Department of Education from the Title V Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program. The five-year grant is focused on STEM Teacher Success to (1) prepare Hispanics and other low-income students to transfer into STEM teacher preparation programs; (2) increase success rates of STEM students through study groups, conferences and research experiences; and (3) train faculty to incorporate culturally appropriate teaching content and methods into courses.
- **West Los Angeles College** – WLAC had its first CalFresh Days November 7-8. The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) staff assisted

students with signing up for CalFresh services. During the event, financial aid staffed a booth promoting their ongoing Wednesday workshops for financial aid and answered questions. There was a significant pickup in activity for financial aid assistance during the CalFresh Days. WLAC also had an increased number of students sign up for workshops, which assisted in their completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). About 300 students received assistance with CalFresh sign up, Financial Aid questions, or FAFSA application assistance.

Goal 4: Organizational Effectiveness

- **East Los Angeles College** – On November 29, the second Global Education Taskforce meeting was held at ELAC. The new Global Education Taskforce has created four subcommittees: 1) UAM/Latin American Universities Subcommittee; 2) Netherlands and other European countries Subcommittee; 3) China Subcommittee; and 4) Student Exchange Subcommittee. A group of five to eight faculty members and administrator volunteers from the Taskforce will travel to the Autonomous Metropolitan University (UAM) in Mexico City on January 20-24, 2019 to promote exchanges between the universities and discuss future teaching or research activities, as well as focusing on their professional development by organizing symposia, lectures, short courses, workshops and meetings on topics of interest for both institutions.
- **Los Angeles Southwest College** – LASC's Cooperative Agencies Resource for Education (CARE) program was part of a collaborative presentation at the California Community Colleges' Extended Opportunity Programs and Services Association conference in late October in Monterey. Rachele Thomas-Green, CARE Coordinator and EOPS/CARE Counselor at LASC, presented on LASC's whole person approach to providing a welcoming experience to students that it assists. CARE assists students who receive cash aid and are single heads-of-households consisting of young children by providing educational, emotional, and financial support services as they reach their educational goal (Certificate, Associate Degree, or University Transfer). CARE is accessible to parents, grandparents or legal guardians caring for a child and receiving cash aid for themselves or their children.
- **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** – After a lengthy and thorough search and process, it was announced that Ms. Pamela Sanford was selected as the new Vice President of Administrative Services at LATTTC. Pamela brings a wealth of experience in many different arenas, including her years as an AVP at LA Southwest College. We welcome Pamela to our LATTTC family, and look forward to her contributions to our mission and vision.
- **West Los Angeles College** – West LA Men's Basketball Team and staff partnered with an organization called #hashtaglunchbag to help prepare and give out 1,600 lunches to the community. After the food preparation, students went out to skid row and passed out the food. Our student-athletes shared how much they enjoyed the experience, and being able to give back was a great feeling for them during the holiday season.

Los Angeles Valley College – The Valley Presbyterian Hospital Student Health Center at LAVC and the LAVC Kinesiology Department is offering its Fall 2018 Wellness and Fitness Happy Hour activities. This series of nine free wellness and fitness activities provides professional development opportunities and is designed to

help motivate LAVC students, faculty and staff to live healthier lives. Free giveaway drawings will take place at every workshop.

Goal 5: Fiscal Integrity

- **Los Angeles City College** – LACC was awarded \$50,000 to update current equipment and software acquire new equipment and software for the Nursing program.
- **Los Angeles City College** – LACC was awarded a \$25,000 grant to determine courses that would be appropriate for Open Educational Resources (OER) and identify OER options.
- **East Los Angeles College** – On November 29, the ELAC Foundation awarded 116 scholarships to ELAC students totaling \$60,813. Paul De La Cerda, Dean and Executive Director of the ELAC Foundation, and Dr. Viviana C. Castellon, Professor of Mathematics, presented scholarship awards to 76 students in attendance who were joined by nearly 200 guests, including: friends, family, administrators and faculty. ELAC Foundation Scholarships are presented to students to offer financial assistance in reaching their academic and career goals. This year, the amount awarded in scholarships increased by 19% compared to Fall 2017. Scholarship awards ranged from \$275 up to \$550, and included the ELAC Honors Program Scholarships and the Bernard Osher Scholarships. The ELAC Foundation offers scholarship opportunities to ELAC students in the Fall and Spring semesters. The Spring scholarship applications will open in January and conclude in March with a scholarship banquet to follow in May 2019.
- **Los Angeles Mission College** – Dr. Monte Perez received Cal State L.A.'s Charter College of Education 2018 Distinguished Educators Award in November. Dr. Perez was honored along with six other individuals during the Annual Distinguished Educators Award Dinner, which honors distinguished educators who demonstrate excellence, a high level of commitment, and who have made significant contributions in the community. The evening provides an opportunity to introduce others to the work of the CCOE and to raise funds for student scholarships and faculty professional development.
- **West Los Angeles College** – WLAC completed its quarterly financial review with the District Office Budget and Finance Team, along with the enrollment management staff. The college is on target to end the fiscal year with a positive fund balance and is spending down both categorical and special fund program balances. WLAC initiated monthly journal vouchers for salaries and benefits to leverage its special fund programs against the Unrestricted General fund to maintain the fiscal integrity of the campus. Additionally, the campus finance team is conducting weekly reviews of the spending patterns of various programs to ensure the overall “burn rate” of various functions is in keeping with planned expenditures.

Upcoming Campus Events and Activities for December

DATE	COLLEGE	EVENT
In December	West Los Angeles College	Distribution of gifts to over 160 children (the children of West students)

December 1	LA Harbor College	Theatre Arts Department Presents: Alice's Adventures in Wonderland – 1:30 p.m. Matinee and 5:30 p.m.
December 2	LA Harbor College	Harbor participates in the 38 th Annual Spirit of San Pedro Holiday Parade
December 3	East Los Angeles College	Inauguration Ceremony for LA County Sheriff Alex Villanueva, held in the G3 Auditorium at 12 p.m.
December 3	LA Harbor College	“Give the Gift of Warmth” – New or Lightly Used Blanket Drive by Harbor Advantage. Blankets will be donated to local homeless shelters in our community, Beacon Light Mission and Doors of Hope Women's Shelter.
December 4	LA Valley College	Winter Wonderland Holiday Celebration
December 4	West Los Angeles College	Annual Employee Holiday Drop-In Event, 12:30 to 2 p.m., HLRC 4 th floor
December 5	LA Harbor College	Jazz Band Concert will be held in the Music Recital Hall from 4 to 6 p.m.
December 5	LA Harbor College	Annual Staff Holiday Mixer from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
December 5	LA Harbor College	CARE & CalWORKS Programs 12 th Annual Winter Recognition of Students and Holiday Celebration (Distribution of toys for kids donated by Harbor Faculty and Staff), 4 to 6 p.m.
December 6	Los Angeles Mission College	College Choir Concert
December 7	LA Harbor College	Several recitals will be held in Music Recital Hall: Piano Class Recital 1, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Piano Class Recital 2, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Student Recital, 7 to 9 p.m.
December 7	LA Pierce College	The second of two Planetarium shows under the blue dome is two hours in length, and limited to 48 seats. There are no tickets, so come a little early. Doors open 15 minutes before the show, and then it will be first-come, first-seated.

December 7	LA Pierce College	The Pierce College Choir's Holiday Concert will take place on the Performing Arts Mainstage at 7 p.m.
December 7-8	Los Angeles Mission College	'La Boheme' Opera
December 9	LA Harbor College	Harbor Participates in the 31 st Annual Heart of the Harbor Holiday Parade
December 10	LA Harbor College	Voice Class Recital will be held in the Music Recital Hall from 7 to 8 p.m.
December 13	East Los Angeles College	President's Holiday Social will be held in the G3 Auditorium Foyer from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is an annual event where lunch is provided to all ELAC employees, and food and holiday donations are collected to give to our local homeless shelters.
December 13	Los Angeles Mission College	3 rd Annual Biotech Exhibition
December 13	LA City College	Nursing Pinning Ceremony will be held in the Student Union, 3 rd Floor at 5 p.m.
December 13	LA City College	Dental Technology Pinning Ceremony
December 13	Los Angeles Mission College	Operation Mission Gratitude
December 14	East Los Angeles College	Nursing Pinning Ceremony will be held in the G3 Auditorium at 6 p.m.
December 14	LA Southwest College	Nursing Pinning Ceremony will be held in the Little Theater at 5:30 p.m.
December 14	LA Southwest College	Culmination Ceremony for Non-Credit & Adult Education will be held in the LASC Theater at 9 a.m.
December 17	LA Harbor College	Nursing Pinning Ceremony will be held in The Warner Grand Theater at 11 a.m.
Advance Notice: February 13, 2019	West Los Angeles College	Official campus celebration of 50 th anniversary (college opened on February 10, 1969)

IV. Community Engagement & Partnerships

Chancellor and Executive Staff community outreach for November and December:

DATE	EVENT
November 11	Vice Chancellor Cornner participated in the second session of the 2018-2019 Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community College Excellence, a leadership initiative designed to prepare fellows to empower more students to achieve success through transformative change.
November 16	Vice Chancellor Cornner met with representatives from the United States Department of Agriculture, the United States Department of Education and the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) to discuss partnership opportunities.
November 20	Chancellor Rodriguez attended the 2019 Legislative Planning Retreat in Sacramento sponsored by the McCallum Group.
November 28	The November Board Committees and Committee of the Whole (CoW) were held at the ESC.
November 28	Vice Chancellor Cornner and Dean Adrienne Ann Mullen hosted the University of Southern California's Panel on Higher Education and Counseling. Panelists included Chancellor Rodriguez.
November 28	Vice Chancellor Cornner and the EPIE team attended the American Association of Community Colleges' Institute on Scaling Guided Pathways District-Wide.
November 30	Chancellor Rodriguez and Vice Chancellors Ryan Cornner and Albert Roman met with the Administrators' Association (911) at their Fall Membership Meeting.
December 3	Chancellor Rodriguez attended the Oath of Office Swearing-In Ceremony for Supervisor Hilda Solis at the Hahn Hall of Administration
December 3	Chancellor Rodriguez joined Vice President Hoffman, 2nd Vice President Veres and all attended the Oath of Office Swearing-In Ceremony for Sheriff Alex Villanueva at East Los Angeles College.
December 3	Chancellor Rodriguez attended the annual Los Angeles Chamber Holiday Reception at the Omni Hotel.
December 4	Chancellor Rodriguez joined President Fong, 2 nd Vice President Veres, Trustee Vela, Mayor Eric Garcetti and all attended Assemblymember Miguel Santiago's press conference at LATTTC announcing legislation to sponsor the 2nd Year College Promise (AB 2).
December 4	Chancellor Rodriguez attended the LACCD Foundation Annual Holiday Meeting and Luncheon at the Jonathan Club.

- December 4 Chancellor Rodriguez attended the Annual Champions of Higher Education Celebration, sponsored by the Campaign for College Opportunity, where ELAC was recognized for its transfer programs.
- December 5 Vice Chancellor Cornner and librarians representing LACCD's nine colleges participated in a Los Angeles Public Library Roundtable with the Office of the Los Angeles Mayor and the City Librarian to discuss partnerships.
- December 6 CFE, David Salazar, presented an overview of BuildLACCD and upcoming opportunities at the Design-Build Association of America- LA breakfast.
- December 6 Chancellor Rodriguez met with LA Deputy Mayors Brenda Shockley and Nina Hachigian to discuss educational opportunities for College Promise students.
- December 6 Trustee Buelna, Chancellor Rodriguez and LACCD leadership hosted a faith-based community leaders dialogue meeting with African American pastors at the ESC to discuss student progress at LACCD.
- December 6 Chancellor Rodriguez attended the Hispanas Organized for Political Equality (HOPE) 29th Anniversary Awards Gala, honoring Alma Hernández, Executive Director SEIU California and Sonia Nazario, Pulitzer-prize winning journalist, speaker, and author of the national bestseller *Enrique's Journey*.
- December 7 The Presidents' Council met at the Port of Los Angeles for the monthly meeting.
- December 9 A special Board of Trustees Meeting concerning the Board of Trustee's Annual Self-Evaluation was held at ESC.
- December 10 Chancellor Rodriguez and Board President Fong spoke at the Small Contractor Boot Camp Graduation at LATTC.
- December 12 The December Board and Legislative and Public Affairs Board Committee Meetings will be held at West LA College.
- December 13 Chancellor Rodriguez will attend the strategic planning session for the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and the Nursing Pinning Ceremony at LACC.
- December 14 Chancellor Rodriguez will attend the LA Southwest College Ceremony and Dinner for Non-Credit Students.
- December 14 Chancellor Rodriguez and Board President Fong will attend the Project MATCH Culmination Event at LATTC.

V. LACCD Media Outreach and Coverage

News Releases

In November, the District's Communications Office assisted in the distribution of news releases and/or media information related to Pierce College's efforts during the Woolsey Fire; the groundbreaking for the new Culinary Arts building at LATTC; and the Ribbon Cutting for ELAC's Physics and Earth Sciences Building. The Office worked with the press teams for Assemblymember Santiago and Office of Mayor Garcetti for the Dec. 4 press conference at LATTC announcing introduction of AB 2 to expand free tuition to two years for California community colleges.

Social Media

In November, the District's Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LACCD>, (@LACCD) ended the month by surpassing the milestone of 4,000 followers, up from October's count of 3,965 and September's total at about 3,940.

The District's Twitter account, <https://twitter.com/laccd>, (@laccd) ended the month with about 12,600 impressions, or about 420 impressions per day. The Twitter account currently has almost 1,700 followers, up from October's count of 1,670 followers and September's 1,647 followers.

The District's new Instagram account, https://www.instagram.com/laccd_edu/ continues to build audience share, now with 944 followers, up from 800 followers in October.

Media Coverage

AB 2 Announcement

<https://abc7.com/education/ca-assembly-member-calls-for-2-years-of-free-community-college/4832326/>

<https://www.univision.com/los-angeles/kmex/noticias/proyecto-de-ley/presentan-propuesta-de-ley-para-tener-dos-anos-de-colegio-comunitario-gratis-en-california-video>

<https://www.fresnobee.com/news/state/california/article222605450.html>

<https://laopinion.com/2018/12/05/los-angeles-apoya-proyecto-de-ley-de-dos-anos-gratuitos-en-universidades/>

Sheriff's Swearing-In at ELAC

<https://www.bloglikes.com/blogs/2018-12-03/in-swearing-in-ceremony-la-county-sheriff-alex-villanueva-promises-new-direction-for-department>

LAVC Family Resource Center

<https://patch.com/california/shermanoaks/800k-secured-lavc-family-resource-center>