

President's Report to the PCCD Board of Trustees



April 26, 2022

Dr. Nathaniel Jones III, President



Photo from left: CoA President Dr. Nathaniel Jones III, Interim PCCD Chancellor Dr. Jannett N. Jackson, PCCD Trustee Mr. Bill Withrow, CoA Academic Senate Vice President Ms. Jennifer Fowler, CoA Acting Vice President of Instruction Dr. Diana Bajrami, and CoA Classified Senate President Ms. Kawanna Rollins are aboard the USS Hornet attending the April 7, 2022, Alameda State of the City event.

Alameda State of the City Event Attracts Over 200 Attendees

CoA and PCCD representatives attended the Alameda State of the City event on April 7, 2022, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., hosted by the Alameda Chamber of Commerce aboard the USS Hornet, a museum ship, located on the southernmost pier of the former Naval Air Station in Alameda.

Over 200 peopled attended the two-hour event, where Chamber President/CEO **Madlen Saddik** and Board Chair **Kelly Lux** welcomed guests. **Adam Elsesser**, founder of the Alameda-based medical technology firm Penumbra, introduced City of Alameda's Mayor the Honorable **Marilynn Ezzy Ashcraft**.

The Mayor's speech covered a number of important issues, including housing, crime, and the environment. Ashcraft touted the City's new Housing Element draft and introduced a recently awarded grant to develop Dignity Village on Fifth Street, indicating that the County will be providing an additional \$2,300,000 in funding for the program's operating costs. She also discussed City's targeted investments aimed at helping residents and businesses grow while strengthening the local economy in equitable, sustainable, and

innovative ways. A panel discussion followed the Mayor's presentation, including City of Alameda's Community Development Department Director **Lisa Maxwell,** Director of Housing and Transportation **Andrew Thomas**, Police Chief **Nishant Joshi**, and Fire Chief **Nicholas Luby**. Topics ranged from development, infrastructure, and public safety to economic growth and the CARE team. Each City leader provided an overview of their department's responses to challenges, followed by a preview of future goals and plans. PCCD attendees included: PCCD Trustee **Bill Withrow** and Interim PCCD Chancellor Dr. **Jannett N. Jackson**. CoA participants included: Academic Senate Vice President **Jennifer Fowler**, Classified Senate President Ms. **Kawanna Rollins**, Acting Vice President of Instruction Dr. **Diana Bajrami**, Executive Assistant/President's Office Ms. **Teddy Washington**, and President Dr. **Nathaniel Jones III**.



Featured from left: CoA Counselor Fathia Mohamed and English for Speakers Of Other Languages (ESO) and Instructor Didem Ekici at the Afghan Resource and Nowruz Fair on March 27, 2022, at the Alameda Point Waterfront Park. This event was hosted by the United Afghan Association (UAA) to serve the needs of Afghan refugees resettling in northern California.

CoA Mobile Is on the Road Again!

After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, College of Alameda student services staff members are delighted to once again host events, provide on-site services at local high schools, and participate in community activities.

CoA's Annual Partner Breakfast

The Annual Partner Breakfast on March 25, 2022, kicked off an exciting recruitment season with over 50 representatives from local high schools and educational programs attending the event. Student Liaison Ms. **Natalie Barraza** hosted the breakfast and shared important information with participants about degree and certificate programs, financial aid, the CoA Promise Program, cross enrollment opportunities, and transfer

guarantees. CoA's Undocumented Student Support Consultant Mx. **Juan Lopez** also spoke about important resources and funding opportunities that are available for undocumented students. The breakfast also featured a question-and-answer session as well as breakout sessions, where participants learned more about specific CoA programs such as: <u>Student and Accessibility Services (SAS)</u>; Equal Opportunity Program and Services (<u>EOPS</u>), <u>NextUp</u>, <u>CalWorks</u>; <u>Umoja</u>; <u>Puente</u>, Adelante con Comunidad, Excelencia, Sabiduría y Oportunidad (<u>ACCESO</u>), Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (<u>MESA</u>), the <u>Veterans Resource Center</u>; and <u>Career Technical Education</u> programs.

The Partner Breakfast concluded with a synopsis of the robust roster of Spring 2022 Mobile CoA events at area high schools, featuring hands-on assistance with college applications, counseling, and registration support. College of Alameda student services staff members are eager to re-engage with local high school students in Mobile CoA activities.

The following CoA faculty and staff participated in the question-and-answer portion of the breakfast program: Director, Hispanic Serving Institution Grant and ACCESO/Puente Programs Mr. Horacio Corona-Lira, Student Services Specialist Ms. Mayra Arévalo-Agyapong, and PUENTE/ACCESO Counselor Ms. Danna Chavez, Outreach Team Member Ms. Natalie Barraza, Umoja Coordinator/Counselor Mr. Jerel McGiffert, Undocumented Student Success Consultant Mx. Juan Lopez; Financial Aid Interim Financial Aid Director Mr. Dave Nguyen, Geography Department Co-Chair Cady Carmichael, MESA/General Counselor/Professor Nila Adina, Counselors Ms. Julie Saechao and Ms. Cynthia Haro, Career and Technical Education Coordinator Ms. Donna Jones, Career and Technical Education Dean Ms. Eva Jennings, Student Accessibility Services (SAS) Coordinator Ms. Rachel Goodwin, Staff Assistant to the Dean of Enrollment Services Ms. Nickey Heredia, Veteran's Center Coordinator Ms. La Shawn Brumfield, EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs/NextUp Project Manager Mr. Louie Martirez y McFarland, Dean of Counseling and Special Programs Dr. Shalamon Duke, EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs/NextUp Staff Assistant Ms. Nesi More, and Associate Dean of Educational Success Ms. Paula Armstead.

Upcoming Outreach and Mobile CoA Events:

04/26/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Oakland Technical High School
04/26/2022	Mobile CoA Application Support at Encinal High School
05/03/2022	Mobile CoA Registration Services at Oakland High School
05/03/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Oakland International High School
05/04/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Encinal High School
05/04/2022	College of Alameda Family Night
05/05/2022	Mobile CoA Registration Services at Encinal High School
05/10/2022	Mobile CoA Services at Alameda High School
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Past Outreach and Mobile CoA Events:

03/27/2022	Afghan Resource and Nowruz Fair
03/28/2022	Rudsdale's Career Symposium
03/29/2022	Mobile CoA Application Assistance at Alameda High School
04/11/2022	Mobile CoA Application Support at Castlemont High School
04/12/2022	Mobile CoA Application Support at Castlemont High School
04/12/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Fremont High School
04/13/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Fremont High School

04/15/2022	Mobile CoA Application Support Oakland International High School
04/16/2022	Alameda Spring Festival & Community Expo
04/18/2022	Mobile CoA Presentation at Encinal High School
04/19/2022	Mobile CoA Application Support at Oakland Technical High School
04/19/2022	Mobile CoA Registration Follow Up at Fremont High School
04/19/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Castlemont High School
04/19/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Rudsdale Newcomer Continuation High School
04/20/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Oakland High School
04/21/2022	DCAC Virtual Community Fair
04/22/2022	Mobile CoA Counseling Services at Alameda High School
04/25/2022	Mobile CoA Registration Follow Up at Rudsdale Newcomer Continuation High School



Newly appointed SSCCC President and CoA Student Mr. Clemaus Tervalon and ASCoA Senator Ms. Macarena Valenzuela pose for a picture at the SSCCC General Assembly in Sacramento, CA on Sunday, April 3, 2022.

CoA Student Elected as Statewide President of SSCCC

CoA student Mr. Clemaus Tervalon was elected President of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) at the annual SSCCC General Assembly meeting held in early April at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Sacramento. Associated Students of College of Alameda (ASCoA) Senator Ms. Macarena Valenzuela and Director of Student Activities and Campus Life Ms. Natalie Rodriguez also attended the SSCCC General Assembly at which Senator Valenzuela ran for the position of SSCCC Vice President.



Photo from left: Merritt College AS President Johon Adam Austin; ASCoA Senator Macarena Valenzuela; and PCCD Student Trustee, Lisa Hogan pose with student leaders from other California Community Colleges at the SSCCC General Assembly in Sacramento, CA on Sunday, April 3, 2022.

Senator Valenzuela says that she was impressed by the many opportunities that she had to confer with representatives from other California community colleges, including other PCCD colleges. "As a first-time attendee and delegate representing the College of Alameda I was so amazed by the great presenters, the various themes that were discussed with student leaders, and the overall welcoming feel of the three-day educational and informative conference," said Valenzuela. "Each day of the conference I was able to meet students from northern and southern California that each had vast knowledge about how to improve their own student government. In the future, I will be implementing the shared knowledge and suggestions from this conference with the Associated Students of College of Alameda."

Office of Student Activities and Campus Life Provides Food and Emergency Grants for Hundreds of Students this Spring

Emergency Food Grants

A total of \$15,900 in Emergency Food Grants were distributed to 53 students from January 2022 to March 2022. In April, an additional 98 applications were being processed.

Food Pantry

In March, the Office of Student Activities and Campus Life Food Pantry served 798 people, of which 237 were children, 461 were adults, and 100 were seniors. Also, notably, in March, there was no leftover produce.

ECMC Pantry Assistance Funds

To date, 44 CoA students applied for assistance with personal care and baby items. Applicants must be enrolled in at least one College of Alameda course. Eligible students will receive various items including personal hygiene items, diapers, and baby formula. The first distribution date took place on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, during the Free Produce Market.

Spring 2022 Student Engagement Sponsored Events

Upcoming Events

April 27, 2022 Ramadan Kareem

May 13, 2022 Crazy Funny Asian Show

Past Events

April 13, 2022 Wellness Day

April 19, 2022 South West Asia North Africa

(SWANA) Heritage Month

April 26, 2022 Asian and Pacific Islander

American (APIA) Heritage

Month

