



Building marshal training

The first two-hour training for 25 building marshals was conducted by the district Public Safety Department April 29. Building marshals will oversee and ensure safe and complete evacuations or relocation of occupants during a fire, other emergency, or a fire drill. If you are interested in being a building marshal, contact Nicole Conklin at Nicole.conklin@gcccd.edu.



Sustainability at GCCCD

The District's sustainability program, which began in April 2015, is currently showing a 13.5% districtwide reduction in utility consumption as compared to the baseline year (April 2014-April 2015). A Sustainability Work Group has been created and charged with creating web pages on the District website, which will present our commitment to sustainability goals and initiatives on our campuses, as well as provide educational resources for those who are interested in learning more about sustainability.

The sustainability program is tying in many departments and using the website as a platform to publicize the great work in sustainability districtwide. With the energy conservation component underway, we have recommitted our efforts to education and engagement. Some of the strategies include outreach through sustainability displays, presenting sustainability issues during Flex Week, and utilizing shared governance committees to obtain support prior to launching new sustainability initiatives.

For more information, contact Cenergistic Energy Specialist Jacqueline Hall at jacqueline.hall@gcccd.edu.

Grossmont Union High School District employee giving campaign



The Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca Colleges is continuing its fundraising for the Higher Edge scholarship, which will be offered to Grossmont Union High School District students beginning with the class of 2019.

An employee giving campaign at the high school district, similar to the campaign here, resulted in 91 participants signing up for a payroll deductions ranging up to \$50 per pay period. Their donations will contribute \$14,000 a year toward the Higher Edge scholarship program.

Mental health first aid classes



Thirteen GCCCD employees participated in the third mental health first aid class offered at the District. The National Council for Behavioral Health is encouraging the training, noting that one in four Americans experience a mental health or addiction disorder each year.

New employees

Please welcome these new District Services employees!



Kristina Canales is the operations specialist for the Auxiliary. She provides administrative support for the office, which includes HR duties, check processing, and keeping track of Auxiliary Director Sally Cox's schedule.



Charlene Alsbaugh, MA Ed., joined the Foundation in January as the Workforce Development Assistant for the Corporate and Workforce Training Department. Her work focuses on developing partnerships with CTE programming to deliver short-term continuing education solutions for workers.

Charlene has worked in post-secondary education for 15 years in both academic operations and students affairs. Most recently, she served as a Learning Skills Counselor assisting unserved populations transition from Region 10 community colleges into UCSD.