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## Governing Board Report January 2021

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# SUPPORTING STUDENTS

## Drive Through Food Pantry

Although 2020 changed the way in which Cuyamaca College served its students, it did not change the scope of the support. The Harvest Food Pantry modified its modality and continued to provide food support to Cuyamaca College students and faculty. **Each month, the drive-through pantry safely provided non-perishable food items, fresh produce, and beverages.**



Additionally, unused items are donated to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in El Cajon. Church members use the donated items to prepare meals to distribute to the homeless in El Cajon. **In the last quarter of 2020, we partnered with the Church to serve nearly 150 hot meals in our community.**

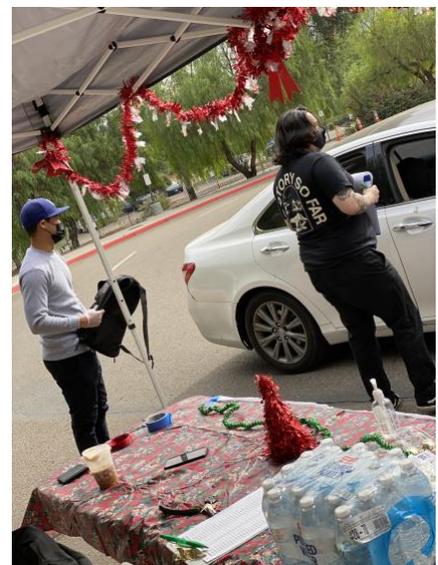
## Technology Grants Awarded

In December, **100 students were awarded a \$500 grant to support their respective technology needs.** The funds support student needs of computers, Internet access, printers, etc. The work was accomplished in less than 30-days in collaboration with Financial Aid/Scholarships, Cuyamaca Cares, District IT, and District Accounting.

## Supply Distribution

In preparation for spring semester, **EOPS provided 150 students with school supplies.** The items were packed in a backpack making the supplies easy to safely place into students' trunks during the drive-through pick-up, but will also provide students a way to keep organized. Supplies included: notebooks, padfolios, pens, pencils, a stapler and staples, highlighters, and other supplies.

In addition, **20 CalWORKs students received gas cards** in a secondary drive through distribution.



## Meet Tim Lazaro

Tim Lazaro is an English literature major hoping to transfer to USCD in fall of 2021. Although he has access to wi-fi at home, in fall 2020 he came to campus to use wi-fi in the parking lot as a way to hold himself accountable. With most of his family home due to the state-wide safer-at-home order, he had many distractions. Using campus wi-fi to complete his homework, helps keep his grades appropriate for his goal of transferring to USCD.



During much of fall semester, Tim worked in the parking lot on Mondays and Fridays. Members of the campus facilities team regularly checked on Tim, bringing him snacks and water. Tim answered questions and directed students to campus services when they would drive by. Tim will join Cuyamaca during our spring Convocation to share more about his experience pursuing an education during 2020.

***“I am forever grateful for this, for this wi-fi access...if it wasn’t for this, I would be stuck at home, and wouldn’t get my assignments done.” - Tim Lazaro***

# FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

## Dr. Josh Franco Named ASCCC OERI Discipline Lead for Political Science

Dr. Josh Franco, assistant professor of Political Science, was selected as the discipline lead for the Academic Senate for California Community College's open educational resources initiative (OERI). In this capacity, Dr. Franco has built a website, [OPoliSci](#), (Open Political Science), which is a clearinghouse of accessible educational resources and practices for faculty and students. The site is a repository of course shells, textbooks, books/readers, journal articles, workbooks, and assignments and rubrics.

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## Welcome!

Welcome to Open Political Science or OPoliSci!

## AB 705 Implementation Highlighted in New Report

Professor and math department chair Tammi Marshall contributed to a statewide report by the California Acceleration Project (CAP) which analyzed implementation of AB 705 across the state. The report, "Still Getting There", examines the second year of AB 705 implementation in English and math. The report finds that overall California community colleges have maintained large remedial course offerings despite evidence to the contrary. Cuyamaca is one of only 15 colleges in California offering at least 90% (Cuyamaca is 100%) introductory sections at the transfer level in both English and math.

# ON CAMPUS CHANGES

## Goats Clear Brush and Mitigate Fire Fuel

After nearly 10-weeks on campus, the 300 goats that have been working to mitigate blight and fire danger have completed their project. **They covered more than 50 of the 165 acres of campus and saved 80% of the cost of a human-only crew.** [If you haven't been able to see their work in person this video](#), shot and prepared by our IMS Team, will give you an overview of the impact of the goats.

## Construction Begins on Student Services Building



In mid-December construction began on the **Student Services Building**. Thus far, construction fencing has been installed, trees on the Grand Lawn have been dropped, grubbing is complete, and grading is in progress.

Once complete, the building will house all student service programs and provide ADA access across the Grand Lawn to the LRC and upper campus. Construction is expected to be complete in summer 2022.

# LEADERSHIP CHANGES

## Alicia Munoz, Interim Vice President of Instruction



Alicia Munoz began teaching ESL at Cuyamaca College in 1998 after working several years as a part-time instructor in the San Francisco area. At Cuyamaca, she has held a variety of leadership roles, included ESL Department Chair, Academic Senate President, and most recently as the Dean of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

She has a bachelor's degree in Comparative Literature from University of California, Berkeley and a masters' degree in English with a TESOL emphasis from San Francisco State University. She has completed coursework in the joint Ph.D. program at San Diego State University and Claremont Graduate University with a focus on sociolinguistics.

Growing up as an immigrant, English-language-learner, and proud Latina, Alicia's commitment to equality and social justice is both professional and deeply personal. She will begin her new role at Cuyamaca College on March 1, 2021.

## Cuauhtemoc Carboni, Dean, Athletics, Kinesiology, and Health Education



Born and raised in Mexicali, Mexico, Dr. Cuauhtemoc Carboni started his educational journey in the USA as a student-athlete at Victor Valley College. He played football and majored in Math/Science. He obtained an associate degree and transferred to Humboldt State University where he majored in Kinesiology and played football. He obtained a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in Kinesiology for Humboldt and earned a Ph.D. in Physical Education, Sport and Exercise Science from the University of New Mexico. He was selected as the Outstanding Doctoral Student for the program, and served as keynote speaker for convocation in the College of Education.

Dr. Carboni has worked as a professor, coach, and administrator for the past 16 years in the following institutions: Imperial Valley College, University of New Mexico, California State University, San Bernardino, Weber State University, and Humboldt State University.

Dr. Carboni enjoys hiking, playing racquetball, and biking with his wife and three children. He also enjoys watching college and NFL football. He is very happy to be a part of the Cuyamaca College team and is looking forward to contributing to the success of students, faculty, and staff. Dr. Carboni began his duties on Jan. 4, 2021.

### **Kim Dudzik, Interim Dean, Math, Science, and Engineering**

Kim has been with Cuyamaca College for 17 years. She started as an adjunct instructor for the Biology Department teaching General Biology, Organismal Biology and Anatomy. In 2006, Kim became a full-time faculty member. She added to her teaching assignments Human Physiology and created the Human Dissection course. After serving on various committees and the Academic Senate over the years, Kim was elected to Senate Officer-at-Large for Instruction, and then Academic Senate President, serving for three years. She obtained a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a Master's degree in Animal Behavior from San Diego State University.



Kim is excited to bring her knowledge of the college and her past work as field research to help facilitate the on-going excellent work of the MSE Division. Kim will begin her duties on January 4, 2021.