Leveraging Resources to Provide Wrap Around Support Services for Students

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- Held the first class on September 10, 1929.
- The campus is located in Northern Los Angeles County in Lancaster, CA.
- Today AVC has a service area of 1,945 square miles.
- AVC employs more than 850 people
Antelope Valley College

Fall 2020 Demographics:

- Latinx/Hispanic: 58%
- White, Non-Hispanic: 16.3%
- African American/Black: 12.1%
- Other/Unknown: 4.7%
- Two or more races: 4.5%
- Asian: 4%
- American Indian/AK Native: 0.3%
- Pacific Islander: 0.1%

Completion Rate: 79%
Transfer Completion Rate: 91%
Outreach

• Outreach - K-12, Community
• Dreamer Center
• Study Abroad
• International Students
First Year Experience

• Promise Program
• First Year
• Second Year
• AVID Coordinator
Student Equity

- Books H.E.L.P.
- Campus Connect Bus Pass
  AVTA & Kern County
- Umoja
- Focus 180
- Guardian Scholars
Special Populations

• Guardian Scholars - Current & Former Foster Youths
  • About 800 Students
  • Direct support – Partner with agency for food and direct funds
• Focus 180 - Formerly Incarcerated - Partner with community passed organizations
• Arches Homeless Services- wrap around services other than direct housing
Financial Aid

- Promise Grant
- FAFSA-Pell Grant
- Scholarships
- Loans

- 78% of our pop get some type of aid
Job Placement

• On Campus Student Workers
• Off Campus Employment
• Employer Support
  • Job Fairs
  • Specialized Recruitment
• Job Readiness & Skill Building
  • New World of Work
• On & Off Campus Internships
Associated Student Organization (ASO)

• Campus student government
• Represents student voice on participatory governance committees
• Benefits sticker ($10) for community discounts
• Print 40 pages for free at a WEPA kiosk
• Student Representation Fee ($2) – affords ASO leadership the opportunity to represent the student body at state and national level
• Voter registration Liaison/AB963 Coordinator
Student Life

Inter Club Council (ICC)- Registered Student Clubs

- AVC currently has 32 active clubs (pre COVID), 17 during COVID
- Alpha Iota is our Largest Club
- Music Production & United Artists for Social Change are our 2 newest clubs

Student Activities Council (SAC)

- SAC holds about 50 events per year (pre COVID)
- Student-run programming group of the Student Life Office
- Funded by ASO
Veterans Resource Center

- VA education benefits
- Educational Benefits for Dependents
- DoD MOU Signed for Active Duty
- Programs and events
- Peer Mentor Program
- MRE and other support programs
Student Life

Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT)/CARE Team
• Provide a safe **physical** environment for members of the college community
• Provide a safe **emotional** environment for members of the college community
• BIT/CARE Team handled about 60 cases per semester

Interactive Screening Program-Suicide Prevention
• Created as an additional avenue of support for the students who are feeling overwhelmed and are thinking about suicide
• The goal is to reach students proactively before a crisis emerges.
• About 125 ISP/AVC Cares Questionnaires completed annually
Health Services

• Provides direct care to students for
  • Medical (Urgent Care and Telemedical through TimelyMD)
  • Mental Health (Teletalk through TimelyMD)
  • Dental (Voucher system)
  • Vision (Voucher System)
• Health Education – stress management, healthy lifestyles, cancer prevention, healthy eating, etc.
• Provides online resources, Student Health 101, Kognito, suicide prevention
Health Services

• Healthy Monday - tips on staying healthy
• What’s on your Mind - weekly Zoom support program
• Meditation Monday - guided meditations by faculty
• Breathe workshop - guided breathe workshop hosted by faculty
• Professional speakers on managing stress, suicide prevention, managing change
Student Life

Community Partners

• Valley Oasis - Sexual Assault - Supported 60 Students
• Valley Oasis - Homeless Services
  • 65 Homeless Students Came in for Services in Fall 2019
• Department of Children & Family Services (DCFS)
• The People Concern
• Penny Lane
• Department of Mental Health
• Neighborhood Legal of Los Angeles
• AV Homeless Coalition
• Children’s Center
Marauder Basic Needs

Hearts & Hands Pantry
• Hungry Free Campus Funds $93,000
• About 135 students are fed with day bags prior to COVID
• About 100 students receive weekly groceries prior to COVID
• Donations are always accepted

Marauder Student Market
• An average of 300 students served per market prior to COVID/ 120 during COVID
• Held the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, drive by in Lot 13
Marauder Basic Needs

• Grocery Cards
• Laundry Cards
• Dress for Success Clothing, Shoes & Accessories, Winter Coats
• Hygiene and Welcome Kits
• On Campus Showers
• School Supplies
• Textbook Rental program
• Laptop and Hotspot Loan program
Marauder Basic Needs

Housing

- ARCHES Program - provides academic support
- HHIP Grant - $700,000 annually for 3 years
- Feasibility Study - The SCION Group
- Shared Housing - 3 houses owned by with all utilities paid by the City of Lancaster (2 male and 1 female home). Houses are completely furnished
- Hotel Voucher, - emergency housing and students with children
- Family + 1, - partnering with The People Concern

Intensive Case Management - partnering with Antelope Valley Partners for Health
Marauder Basic Needs

Basic Needs Committee

• Working to address students’ basic needs
• Created a syllabus statement and communicated to faculty
• Offer on and off campus resources and links for forms
• Web page created under Campus Life
• ASO Emergency Fund application and other applications
• Professional Development Presentations
LGBTQIA+

Campus Working Group Committee

• Created a syllabus statement to address students needs
• Provided on campus and off campus resources
• Designated Web Page
• Creating a safe and supportive environment
• Professional Development
SOAR Early College High School

• Title I school with 75% students enrolled in free and reduced lunch
• Current Enrollment is 445 Students
• Of the Graduating Class of 2020, 100% Graduated (96 Students)
• 67% of those Students Received an Associate’s Degree
Student Life

Commencement
Questions

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