



**Basic Needs Committee (BNC)
Minutes
September 18, 2023**

Committee Members							
x	Koji Uesugi, Co-Chair	x	Marisa Fierro	x	Sgt. Brian Owen	x	Carla Tablas
x	Cristina Springfield (fac)	x	Christina Kessler	x	Karelyn Hoover	x	Marisa Fierro
x	Christina Cammayo (fac)	x	Shelly Laddusaw	x	Xiaopan Xue	x	Vivian Hernandez (G)
	Alissa Duong (fac)		Rosie Esparza		Vacant (Community)	x	Lorena Cardozo (G)
x	Rigo Estrada		Candie Marin		Vacant (Student)	x	Monica Arellano
x	Barbara Carrillo	x	Ken Bohan		Vacant (Student)	x	Johnny Kay

I. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement (3 min)

We will begin this meeting with a Land Acknowledgement to recognize the native peoples whose land upon which Mt. SAC resides.

Mt. SAC is geographically situated on the traditional lands of the Tongva peoples. I ask you to join me in acknowledging their community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations. May we honor the land and the people who have stewarded it throughout the generations. Thank you.

II. Introduction of New and Returning Members

III. Review and Approval of Minutes for May 15, 2023 (5 min)

IV. Updates (30 minutes)

- Basic Needs Resources (Rigo): Program has moved from portable 9G to 9C. There are flyers about the new location circulating.
 1. CalFresh Outreach (regular updates – Rigo/Vivian): Vivian, Community College segment meeting will take place Oct. 2, 2023, Vivian will be presenting on ALPI efforts and outreach. Vivian provided information and background about CalFresh, eligibility and LPIE (local programs that increase eligibility) for new members. CFO took place the first two weeks of school, connected students to the temporary food pantry and basic needs program, as well as assisting with benefits and pre-screening. Participated in the campus career fair, shared information on the federal work study student programs and eligibility for CalFresh. Labeling at non-credit took place, Lina and Pauline represented and promoted CFO, there was lots of traffic. CalFresh Outreach Week will be: Oct 23-27, 2023.
 2. Mountie Fresh Food Pantry and Snack Rack (Rigo): 981 students were served at the food pantry during the first week of fall at the temporary 9C location. Thank You notes were sent to all the volunteers that assisted at the food pantry. There is a form for volunteer sign up for the next distribution. Snacks have been delivered, check out the Basic Needs Instagram. Thrift and Thrive update, collaborated with REACH for this monthly. This will be held out in the 9C patio, on October 12, 2023. Collecting donations at 9C, flyer and email will be sent out.
 3. Housing (Rigo): Had continuous pace during the summer. Currently there are openings in the Jovenes program, there are 10 students housed, one student will be housed next week, and some students are in the navigation process. Rigo and the team will be providing campus wide announcements on this partnership, working on marketing material.
 4. Case management (Rigo): Appointments are three weeks out; we have hired 2 additional student navigators to assist with case management. Currently there are 65 cases.

V. Discussion (40 min)

- Basic Needs Resources program plan and budget for 2023-2024 (Rigo): provided a slideshow presentation. Provided information on Allyship training, CFO goals, case management, food pantry remodel, snack rack program and budget.
- Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week 2023 (Lorena): November 13-17, Allyship will be held on 11/17. On Monday 11/13 will host a Basic Needs open house, if interested in serving on the HHAW committee contact Lorena.

VI. Good of the Order (2 min)

VII. Next Meeting

- October 16, 2023

VIII. Adjourn