Office of Student Life

Accomplishments FY20

1. Launched the Laptop Loaner to Learn Program to assist 353 students in need for technology during Covid-19 pandemic.
2. Collaborative for the third year with the Kern County Fair Grounds to host Renegades at the Fair and raised $3,056 for new scholarships.
3. Dr. Damania was the conference chair for the 2019 California Community Colleges Student Affairs Association Professional Development Conference in Sacramento, CA.
4. Dr. Damania served as President-elect for the California Community Colleges Student Affairs Association.
5. Awarded $5,000 from the FCCCC Census Bureau to educate and encourage students to take the census.
6. Wrote an additional $2,000 grant and submitted to Kern Family Health Care for the purchase of individual hand sanitizers for BC students.
7. Between July 1 through March 17, 25,337 students visited the Office of Student Life.
8. Launched a Discord server for the Office of Student Life to assist in keeping connected and providing a community space during Covid-19.

Bakersfield College Student Government Association

1. Created and supported 5 Campus Collaboration Grants totaling over $2,390.13.
2. Established one new scholarship through Foundation Office for students who identity as athletes.
3. Two Student Government Officers were regional and state-wide representatives for the Student Senate for the California Community Colleges.
4. Hosted 5 Power Lunches inviting Kern Legislators to campus to meet with students.
6. Created and passed out a BCSGA survey to assess the needs and satisfaction of the student body.

7. Went out for the BC Student Body Transportation Fee, but the measure did not pass.

8. Collaborative partnership with the bookstore to purchase 300 regalia for the drive-thru regalia sale for our graduating students totaling $33,761.02.

Student Organizations

1. Supported and funded 2 student organization funding grants totaling 1,849.47
2. Maintained number of student organizations of 37 active
3. Hosted over 10 student organization workshops to assist in effective management

Student Activities

1. Established the third full Distinguished Speaker Series of 8 national and international speakers totaling $65,000 in honorary fees.
2. Hosted over 88 campus-wide events and hosted over 85 virtual campus events
3. Hosted the Student involvement Festival that invited 80 vendors onto campus
4. Established a Twitch Channel to stream live student video gaming events.

Student Renegade Pantry

1. Developed new student assistance program entitled Pantry Shelf where students were able to receive pantry items on a daily basis within the first year, 13,704 benefited from this.
2. Fruit & Veggie Distribution offered Tuesdays servicing 1,359 times, serving 562 unique students.
3. Daily Bread served 13,708 times Mondays-Thursdays, feeding 4,452 unique students
4. Hygiene services were combined with the Pantry Shelf Program.
5. Clothing services was accessed 29 times, serving 28 unique students
6. School supplies were distributed to 20 students.
7. In November 2019, 376 students applied to receive a turkey. The Renegade Pantry was able to purchase a total of 136 which were distributed via lottery. 36% of the students that applied received assistance!

8. During COVID-19 closure, all Pantry Services were continued on a Drive-Thru basis.

9. In partnership with Community Action Partnership of Kern, the Renegade Pantry offered Emergency Food Boxes to BC students during the months of April, May, and June servicing a total of 903 students.

10. Van purchase of $39,715.93 to be used for the Renegade Pantry food runs.

11. Awarded $20,000 in partnership with Kern County Department of Human Services from Kern Partnership to purchase food for BC Students.