Abel Guzman, Executive Director-Rural Initiatives
Accomplishments 2018-2019

- Transitioned from interim role into Executive Director of Rural Initiatives position.
- Successfully prepared for and facilitated accreditation visit in Delano.
  - Bakersfield College received commendation for support of students in rural communities.
- Filled two vacant program manager positions.
- Expanded student support and academic support services at rural sites.
- Helped launch successful first term of HVAC program in Delano.
- Established working groups for Early College initiative at all rural sites.
  - Successfully coordinated and/or launched McFarland, Delano, and Arvin.
  - Built momentum in to expand in Wasco and Shafter.
- Successfully graduated over 90 Early College participants from Wonderful College Prep Academy and Wasco High School with AS-T degrees.
- Increased enrollment in Wasco and Arvin.
- Applied for and received Edison Scholarship Grant ($25k).
- Established partnership with elementary school district agencies in Delano and Arvin.
- Established Rural Initiatives social media presence and built presence.