Office of College Advancement Newsletter

DID YOU KNOW
That the Office of College Advancement Raised Almost $5 Million to Help Increase Student Success This Academic Year?

- $27,250 from Individuals
- $59,700 from Business and Industry
- $238,000 from Private Foundation Grants
- $4,440,000 from State and Federal Grants
- $60,300 of Scholarship funds from various sources
- $17,914 from earned income

Thank you to all of our faculty, staff and Foundation board members who helped to raise these revenues!

The LMC Office of College Advancement provides leadership in identifying, securing and managing resources (financial gifts, grants and program contracts) which promote student, employee and community learning, enabling the college to fulfill its mission, vision and Educational Master Plan goals.

The Office of College Advancement includes:
- Grant Development and Services,
- LMC Foundation,
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LMC Adjunct Faculty

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Garaventa Enterprises

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Discovery Builders

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Community Volunteer

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http://www.losmedanos.edu/advance/default.asp

LMC Faculty, Staff and Managers are Learners
Innovation and Engagement

Two new innovative and engaging Professional Development Initiatives were piloted this Year - The LMC Leadership Academy and the 2012 Spring All-College Day Spot-Light on Success Mini-Conference.

LMC Leadership Academy
In December, 2011, thirteen emerging LMC Leaders received their certificates for completing the semester-long LMC Leadership Academy. The Academy was designed to support and energize emerging campus leaders through fostering a spirit of collaboration and shared leadership. This team of classified staff, faculty and managers attended a series of workshops and collaborative discussions throughout the semester. We have seen many of our graduates take on new leadership roles throughout campus this year!

Next semester, the Leadership Academy graduates will be planning a new academy scheduled to begin Fall, 2013. Please call Ruth Goodin at ext. 3203, if you are interested in helping to plan - or if you want to become Leadership Academy participant.

Spotlight on Success
On January 20, 2012 LMC Professional Development Committee (PDAC) and its FLEX Planning Group (LPG) hosted LMC's first Spring Mini-Conference. Faculty and staff facilitated six workshops throughout the morning, and round-tables and poster sessions in the afternoon. Attendance was high as was enthusiasm, engagement and learning.

If you are interested in helping to plan for the Spring 2013 Spotlight on Success Mini-Conference please call Mary at ext. 3255.

PDAC-Hosted 11-12 Academic Year Highlights:
Office of Instruction

Clint Ryan,
Math Department
Faculty rep

Nancy Ybarra,
English Department
Faculty rep Manager rep

Deborah Van Eckhardt,
Student Government
Student rep

Ruth Goodin,
Manager

Mary Oleson,
PD Coordinator

LPG, FLEX Planning Group
Clint Ryan, Chair
Michael Becker
Erlinda Jones
Gil Rodriguez
Janice Townsend
Nancy Ybarra
Ruth Goodin
Yongmin Zhu

- Orientation Lunch with the President for all new employees
- Mentorships for new faculty
- Building a "Vision for Faculty Development" - Faculty Discussions
- Faculty Mini-Proposals: English 90 and ESL Adjunct Faculty
- Establishment of a Focused Flex Assessment Day
- MS Office Trainings - with assistance from MESA students
- Spring Training and other Health and Wellness Activities

*If you are interested in participating in Professional Development planning please let us know!*

**Did You Know that LMC Delivers Education to Business and Industry?**

Instead of driving to work, twenty-one employees of Brinderson Corporation, have been driving to LMC once a week for twenty-one weeks to attend a not-for-credit ETEC class. This class, designed specifically for Brinderson incumbent workers is a part of LMC’s Contract Education Program, in which business and industry "purchase" classes for their employees.

*If you are interested in learning how your department can provide classes to our local workforce, please contact Ruth at ext. 3203.*

**The Foundation’s Year In Review**

**Mini-Grants**

This year the Foundation Board of Directors upped the amount from of Mini-Grants from $10,000 to $20,000 in total funds. This program has grown so much in popularity for faculty and staff that we will offer it again next year. Remember, it is for special projects not for budget related items.

**The Perfect Holiday Gift!**

The Foundation ended 2011 with a Holiday Gift opportunity for people to donate to the Foundation in honor of a friend, loved one or colleague. This fundraiser proved to be popular for people as one donor stated, "My mother-in-law has everything. This was perfect and I didn't have to go shopping!" The donations from this fundraiser helps fund the LMC Foundation Mini-Grants.

**Helping One Student to Succeed (HOSTS)**

The Foundation Board of Directors embarked on their first fundraising campaign this Spring semester. Several options were presented to them and they chose the HOSTS scholarship as the project they wanted to fund. HOSTS (Helping One Student To Succeed) is a new scholarship that will start in the Fall semester. Details will come from the Scholarship Office at a later date. The exciting part of this is that the campaign was only six weeks long with a goal of raising $20,000! The board members called, wrote letters, cajoled, and ended up exceeding their goal. The money is
still coming in but I expect it to be over $21,000. Not bad for a first try at a campaign.

What a Year!

This has been a great year for the Foundation. Despite staffing changes (Lindy now a contractor) the Foundation continues to grow and gain more support for our students and college. We thank everyone for their support of the Foundation through payroll deductions, checks and cash of all sizes, credit cards, and most of all your belief that we are all doing what we can to **Build Futures and Change Lives** of our students.

A Heartfelt Word of THANKS

To all faculty, classified staff and managers who graciously donate each month through Payroll Deductions. Your generosity helps the LMC Foundation to fund programs and projects throughout the campus, from books in the Library to Mini Grants to Scholarships to Emergency Loans to students.

*If you are interested in, or have questions about the LMC Foundation, please contact Lindy at ext. 3215.*

Scholarship Program Updates

Thank You Donors!
Thanks to the ongoing generosity of donors, this year we were able to award scholarships totaling over $127,200 to 264 students who will continue at LMC this fall or transfer to a four-year college or university.

Kennedy-King Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations to this year's 2012 Los Medanos College Kennedy-King Memorial Scholarship recipients! From the 60 students that were interviewed district-wide this year, five of the 17 awarded were from LMC.

Erik Brown
David Lopez
Marisela Garcia
Guadalupe Martinez
April Romero

Since 1969, the Kennedy-King Memorial College Scholarship Fund, Ltd. has been honoring the memories of Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. and Senator Robert F. Kennedy by awarding $8,000 college scholarships to students from minority groups under-represented at California's four-year colleges and universities with financial need and who have demonstrated academic success at one of the three community colleges in Contra Costa County.

*Please contact Claudia Acevedo, Scholarship Program Coordinator*
Scholarships are a great way to help offset the cost of school. The Scholarship Program Coordinator, Claudia Acevedo is available to assist students through the process. Please note, this summer the Scholarship Office will relocate to the Financial Aid Area. This move will offer students the convenience of having all of the financial aid resources in one location.

Have a Great Summer!
We look forward to working with you in the 12-13 Academic Year,
The Office of College Advancement Team