

ACCCA AWARD PROGRAM
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ACCCA VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

It is one thing to be active in your association, and it is quite another to go above and beyond expectations and by so doing, truly lead your team to the success of a program or provide some other significant contribution to your fellow ACCCA members. The individuals listed below have been recognized for doing just that. Nominations come from the Board or their respective commissions and are based on their individual contributions to ACCCA over the preceding year and beyond. Candidates for the *Volunteer of the Year Award* are nominated by the Executive Director and voted on by the Executive Committee of the ACCCA Board prior to the conference. Previous winners include:

- 2019 **Bonnie Ann Dowd**, San Diego CCD
- 2018 **Kathleen Moberg**, Gavilan College
- 2017 **Geisce Ly**, City College of San Francisco
- 2016 **Linda Beam**, El Camino College
- 2015 **Derrick Booth**, American River College
- 2014 **Russi Egan**, Palo Verde College
- 2013 **Kevin O'Connor**, Saddleback College
- 2012 **Dena Maloney**, Taft College
- 2011 **Sandy Mayo**, Los Angeles Valley College
- 2010 **Arvid Spor**, El Camino CCD
- 2009 **Jeanie Nishime**, El Camino CCD
- 2008 **Kendra Jeffcoat**, UC San Diego
- 2007 **Willard Lewallen**, Victor Valley College
- 2006 **Elizabeth Cipres**, Irvine Valley College
- 2005 **Patti Ross**, Bakersfield College
- 2004 **Kurt Hueg**, Foothill College
- 2003 **John Hendrickson**, Contra Costa CCD and
Donna Manno, El Camino CCD
- 2002 **Rose DelGaudio**, Rancho Santiago CCD
- 2001 **Lise Telson**, Palomar College
- 2000 **James Albanese**, Mt. San Antonio CCD

ACCCA LEADERSHIP AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXCELLENCE

The ACCCA Leadership Award was first bestowed in 1996 and is given annually to an outstanding administrator (not CEO) nominated by their peers for their demonstrated qualities of creativity and innovation; volunteerism benefiting their college and profession; commitment and service as a role model. These qualities must be evident in examples within the nomination. Final selection of the winner is made by the selection committee. Previous winners of this award are:

- 2019 **Frank Kobayashi**, American River College
- 2018 **Dr. Sheila White-Daniels**, De Anza College
- 2017 **Susan Lamb**, Interim Chancellor, City College of San Francisco
- 2016 **John Didion**, Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, Rancho Santiago CCD
- 2015 **Sherri Titus**, Director, Office of Student Services, Palomar CCD
- 2014 **Tom Burke**, Chief Financial Officer, Kern CCD
- 2013 **Rowena Tomaneng**, Assoc. Vice President, Instruction, DeAnza College
- 2012 **Gwen Plano**, Vice President, Instruction, Irvine Valley College
- 2011 **Rose Delgaudio**, Vice President Human Resources, Long Beach CCD
- 2010 ***No Award Presented***
- 2009 **Randy Lawson**, Executive Vice President, Santa Monica CCD
- 2008 **Shirley Short**, Sacramento City College

- 2007 **Pam Deegan**, Mt San Jacinto CCD
- 2006 **Julie Slark**, Rancho Santiago CCD
Elizabeth Armstrong, San Diego CCD
- 2005 **Harriett Robles**, West Valley Mission
- 2004 **Joseph Samuels**, West Valley Mission CCD
Carol Maga, Diablo Valley College
- 2003 ***No award was presented***
- 2002 **Robert Hughlett**, Cerritos
Eva Conrad, Moorpark College
- 2001 **Lynn Neault**, San Diego CCD
- 2000 **Robert Griffin**, DeAnza College
John D. Renley, Coast CCD
- 1998 **Darroch "Rocky" Young**, Santa Monica CCD
- 1997 **Marjorie Lewis**, Citrus College
Donald Berz, Chaffey College
- 1996 **Elaine Cohen**, Diablo Valley College
Terry Burgess, Irvine Valley College

THE HARRY BUTTIMER DISTINGUISHED ADMINISTRATOR AWARD

First presented in 1986, the "Buttimer" is the Association's oldest and most prestigious award. Named for the late Harry Buttimer, a founding member of ACCCA, the award symbolizes the qualities that he was known for--integrity; principle; compassion; strength in leadership; contributions to colleagues, their profession and their college district and community.

A nomination for the Buttimer Award requires strong evidence of the above characteristics and substantial support by one's peers. Final selection of the winner is made by the award selection committee. As you review this list of previous winners you get a sense of the history of ACCCA and of the community college system of California. Previous winners of this award are:

2019	Ron Galatolo , Chancellor, San Mateo CCD
2018	Dr. Keith Curry , CEO/President, Compton CCD
2017	Dr. Frank Gornick , Chancellor, West Hills CCD
2016	Steven Kinsella , Superintendent/President, Gavilan College
2015	Robert Deagan , Superintendent/President, Palomar College
2014	Wes Bryan , Superintendent/President, Golden West College
2013	Dr. Thelma Scott-Skillman , Interim Chancellor, San Francisco CCD
2012	Dr. Sandra Serrano , Chancellor, Kern
2011	Dr. John Nixon , President/Superintendent, Mt. San Antonio CCD
2010	Dr. Frances White , President/Supt., Marin CCD
2009	Dr. Helen Benjamin , Chancellor, Contra Costa CCD
2008	Dr. Stanley Arterberry , West Valley Mission CCD Dr. Guy Lease , Lake Tahoe CCD Dr. Dianne Woodruff , Chancellor, COCCC
2007	Dr. Darroch "Rocky" Young , Los Angeles CCD
2006	Dr. Susan Cota , Chabot Las Positas CCD Dr. Edward J. Valeau , Hartnell CCD
2005	Donald Averill , Chancellor, San Bernardino CCD Kevin Ramirez , President/Superintendent, Sierra CCD
2004	Dr. John Hurd , former President/Superintendent, Cabrillo CCD Dr. Augustine Gallego , Chancellor, San Diego CCD
2003	No Award Was Presented
2002	Dr. William Feddersen , former President/Superintendent, Mt. San Antonio CCD Dr. Linda Salter , former Chancellor, West Valley Mission CCD
2001	Dr. Floyd Hogue , former President/Superintendent, Ohlone CCD
2000	Dr. E. Jan Kehoe , President/Superintendent, Long Beach CCD Dr. James Walker , former President, Moorpark College
1999	Dr. Ronald Kong , former Chancellor, Chabot Las Positas CCD
1998	Dr. Del Anderson , former President/Superintendent, City College of San Francisco
1997	Dr. Judy Strattan , former President/Superintendent, Barstow CCD
1996	Dr. Constance Carroll , President, San Diego Mesa College
1995	Dr. Dianne Van Hook , President/Superintendent, Santa Clarita CCD Dr. Thomas Lakin , former Chancellor, Ventura CCD
1994	Dr. George Boggs , former President/Superintendent, Palomar CCD Dr. Lois Callahan , former Chancellor, San Mateo CCD
1993	Dr. Jack Scott , former President/Superintendent, Pasadena Area CCD

	Dr. Robert Jensen , former Chancellor at Contra Costa CCD
1992	Dr. Peter MacDougall , former President/Superintendent, Santa Barbara CCD Dr. Pamela Fisher , Chancellor at Yosemite CCD
1991	Dr. Alfred Fernandez , former Chancellor of the Coast CCD Dr. Beverly O'Neill , former President/Superintendent of Long Beach CCD
1990	Dr. Jerry Angove , former President/Superintendent, Sierra CCD Benita Haley , former Assistant Superintendent, Santa Monica CCD
1989	Dr. Phyllis Peterson , former President, Diablo Valley College Dr. Jack Randall , former President/Superintendent, Mt. San Antonio CCD
1988	Dr. Robert DeHart , former President at DeAnza College Dr. Jack Bessire , former Assistant Superintendent/Vice President at Monterey Peninsula CCD
1987	Dr. Joe Newmyer , former Vice Chancellor at North Orange CCD Dr. David Mertes , former Chancellor, Los Rios CCD
1986	Dr. Tom Van Groningen , former Chancellor of the Yosemite CCD Dr. John Petersen , former Superintendent/President of Cabrillo CCD

UNCOMMON COURAGE AWARD

This is ACCCA's community award and is not necessarily given each year. The nomination can come from the MDC as a recommendation to the Board, or from the Executive Committee.

Presented in 2011 Community College League of California, Commission on the Future in recognition of their work to move CCCs forward into the future.

Presented in 2006 California Community Colleges in recognition of their Response to Hurricane Katrina

Presented in 2005 Students and Administrators of California Community Colleges Serving in Iraq

Presented in 2004 California Firefighters Association in recognition of their member's service during the California Wildfires

Presented in 2002 Edward James Olmos for his work with the disadvantaged and in education

Presented in 2001 Kelly Bennett and Michelle Houde, San Jose State University Students who foiled a domestic terrorist at DeAnza College

THE MERTEES AWARD

Since 1997 ACCCA has honored the author(s) of a substantial research project that has significantly contributed to our understanding of the effectiveness of community colleges and higher education. The purpose of the Mertes Award is to acknowledge and honor outstanding research--either a dissertation or topic-specific project--on community colleges and encourage continued research on substantive issues facing higher and/or community colleges.

The recipient(s) of the award will be selected by a review committee of the ACCCA Board in consultation with a representative of the Research and Planning (RP) Group.

Following is the criteria for selection. Author(s) of research completed within the previous two years are eligible for the award. Nominations may be made by either the nominee's colleague(s) or by organizations. Individuals may also self-nominate. The nomination must include an abstract (1-2 pages) and executive summary (not more than 20 pages) of the research project. The committee may request additional information if needed.

The announcement of the award will be made at the conference during the awards banquet at the ACCCA Conference. The winner(s) will be presented with a certificate and a cash award of \$500 from the Mertes Award Fund. The research abstract will be published by ACCCA, and recipient(s) will have their name(s) engraved on the perpetual plaque kept at the ACCCA headquarters in Sacramento and displayed annually at the Conference.

2019	<i>No Award Presented</i>
2018	<i>No Award Presented</i>
2017	Carlos O. Turner Cortez , President, San Diego Continuing Education Center
2016	<i>No Award Presented</i>
2015	3CSN – The California Acceleration Project
2014	John Hetts & Andrew Fuenmeyer , Long Beach City College, <i>Promising Pathways to Success: Using Evidence to Dramatically Increase Student Achievement</i>
2013	<i>No Award Presented</i>
2012	<i>No Award Presented</i>

- 2011 **Alice Van Ommeren**, Specialist, Information Systems and Analysis, Research Analysis and Accountability Unit, California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office for her study on "New Transfer Partners: California Community Colleges and Private For-Profit Four-Year Institutions"
- 2010 **No Award Presented**
- 2009 **Rachel Rosenthal** for her work entitled "Those Who Would Not Serve: Factors Influencing Community College Faculty Member Interest in Applying for Administrative Positions." and The Team of Willard Hom; Alice Von Ommeren, Catherine Liddicoat and LeAnn Fong-Batkin, members of the Research & Planning Division of the State Chancellor's Office for their dual submissions: "**No Award Presented** Peer Grouping: The Refinement of Performance Indicators" and "Developing Service Area Indices for Your Community College: California's Method and Experience."
- 2008 **The RP Group**, for *Basic Skills as a Foundation of Student Success in California Community Colleges*
- 2007 **Mary Gallagher**, *Improving Institutional Effectiveness: The Relationship Between Assessing Student Learning Outcomes and Strategic Planning In California Community Colleges*
- 2006 **Brad Phillips**, Executive Director and Founder of CalPASS at the Grossmont Cuyamaca CCD for a body of work.
- 2005 **Marshall Gartenlaub**, Initiative Director for Technologies at San Bernardino CCD on "Adult Urban Community College Success: Identifying Factors that Predict Course Completion."
- 2004 **Rita M. Cepeda**, Santa Ana College on "An Investigation of Critical Mass: The Role of Latino Representation in the Retention of Urban Community College Students." and **Cristina Chiriboga**, Cuyamaca College on "An Evaluation Study of a Community College Administrative Leadership Development Program"
- 2003 **No Award Presented**
- 2002 **Veronica Knott**, Los Medanos College on "California Community College African- American Female Administrators: Their Perceptions on Why They Remain in Administrative Positions."
- 2001 **Lisa Sugimoto**, Long Beach CCD on "The Perceptions of CCC Governing Boards in the Selection of a CEO."
- 2000 **William Armstrong**, San Diego CCD.
- 1999 **No Award Presented**
- 1998 **Rita Mize**, CCLC; **Leonard Isaksen**, West LA College and Earl Mitchell, Rancho Santiago CCD.
- 1997 **Jack Friedlander** (first award) for his research on: "Using Wage Record Data to Track the Post-College Employment Rates and Wages of CCC Students."

THE ACCCA AWARD FOR PROGRESS IN DIVERSITY

The ACCCA Award for Progress in Diversity was developed by the MDC and Board to recognize administrators who have contributed to the progress of the concept of diversity on a campus. The nexus for the award sprung from the anti-affirmative action efforts in the state which were threatening to reverse the tremendous progress that had been made toward more tolerance and diversity on the campus. Following are the criteria for the award which should be considered by the selection committee in their deliberations. The award will be presented annually at the ACCCA conference.

1. The nominee should have a minimum of 3 years of service in California Community College educational system.
2. Nominee should have a demonstrated track record of effective leadership in promoting diversity.
3. The nomination should be supported by letters affirming uniqueness of demonstration of promotion of diversity in higher education either by leadership or significant contribution; or have research or a presentation that enhances or is a contribution to the concept of diversity in higher education; or have created an area of inclusion by district policy on inclusion, activities on campus (e.g., Women's History Month) or have produced materials that represent effective action of inclusion.

Previous winners of the Diversity Award are:

- 2018 ***No Award Presented***
2017 **Eugene Whitlock**, Vice Chancellor, Human Resources & General Counsel, San Mateo CCD
2016 ***No Award Presented***
2015 **Wyman Fong** – Vice Chancellor of Human Resources – Chabot-Las Positas CCD
2014 **Irma Ramos**, North Orange CCD, **Sheri Wright**, MiraCosta CCD and **Laura Schulkind**, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
2013 **Lucinda Aborn**, Dean, DSPS Program, Cerritos CCD
2012 ***No Award Presented***
2011 **Damon Bell**, Vice President of Student Services, San Bernardino Valley College
2010 ***No Award Presented***
2009 **Dr. Rosa Perez**, Chancellor, San Jose Evergreen CCD
2008 **Coastline Community College** for work to promote programs including Kaleidoscope Leadership Conference; the Latina Network Conference and the A2MEND Conference.
2007 **The Group A2MEND**
2006 **Abel Nunez**, Vice President Instruction at Taft College
2005 **Dr. Maria Sheehan**, President/Superintendent, Desert CCD
2004 **Dr. Gus Guichard**, former Vice Chancellor, California Community Colleges
2013 **Lucinda Aborn**, Dean, DSPS Program, Cerritos CCD
2014 **Irma Ramos**, North Orange CCD, **Sheri Wright**, MiraCosta CCD and **Laura Schulkind**, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
2015 **Wyman Fong** – Vice Chancellor of Human Resources – Chabot-Las Positas CCD
2016 **No Award Presented**
2017 **Eugene Whitlock**, Vice Chancellor, Human Resources & General Counsel, San Mateo CCD

ACCCA BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD:

In 1998 ACCCA entered into a partnership with Xerox to create a mutual benefit membership for companies that do business regularly with community colleges. The idea hit home with companies based in California, nationally and globally and today, ACCCA maintains a membership program for many companies representing many different genres of services and products. Their membership in ACCCA provides them with access to potential clients and a forum in which to display their products and services to that market. It also provides them with new insights into the real needs and intricate operations that are the community college system in ACCCA. These insights have resulted in new products and services, new ways of doing business that has benefitted their companies but also the community colleges and districts in California.

In 2000 Xerox became ACCCA's first *Corporate Partner of the Year*. Since then the following business members have followed Xerox to be recognized by the Association:

2018	<i>None Awarded</i>
2017	<i>None Awarded</i>
2016	SELF
2015	Keenan & Associates
2014	Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
2013	Brandman University
2012	XEROX (2 nd honor)
2011	HMC Architects (2 nd honor)
2010	HMC Architects
2009	Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (2 nd honor)
2008	Lehman Brothers (now Barclays Capital)
2007	A+ Auto Home Insurance Plus & California Casualty
2006	Zuk & Associates (2 nd honor)
2005	Renaissance Agencies
2004	tBP Architecture
2003	eCollege
2002	Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
2001	Zuk & Associates
2000	XEROX—The Document Company