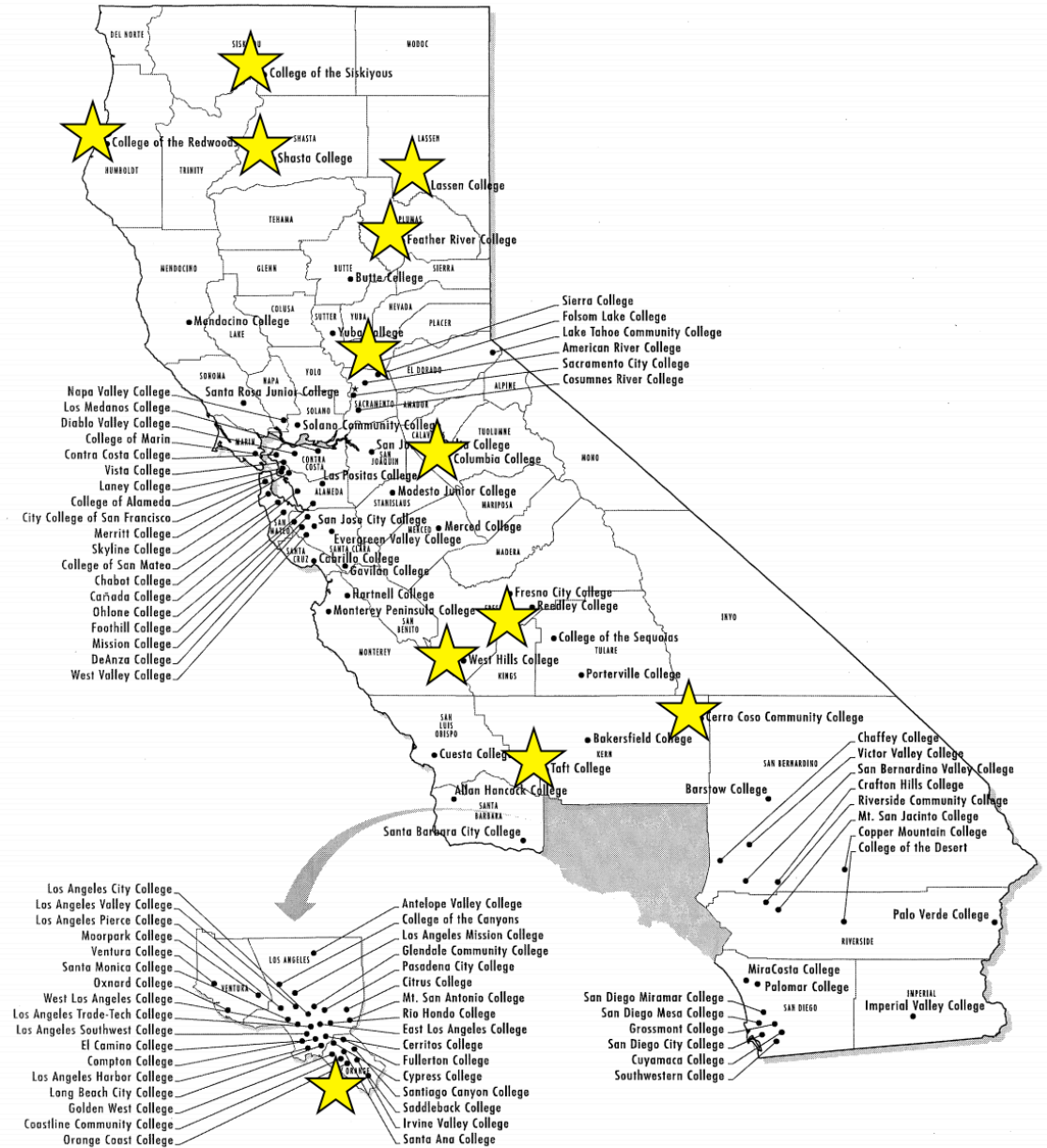


# Some Additional Statewide Highlights

Supporting Students' Basic Needs

# Some solutions to the problem

- Provide housing for students
- 12 colleges in our system have residence halls right now:
  - Cerro Coso
  - Columbia
  - Feather River
  - Lassen
  - Orange Coast (opened fall 2020)
  - Redwoods
  - Reedley
  - Shasta
  - Sierra
  - Siskiyou
  - Taft
  - West Hills

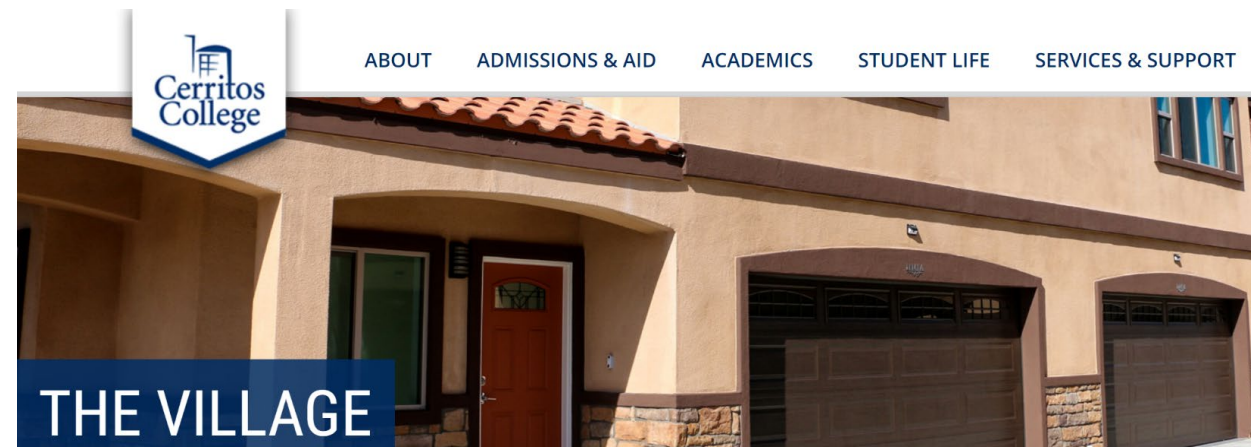


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- College of the Siskiyous, College of the Redwoods, and Sierra College
  - Already providing housing with projects planned for replacement and expansion of housing
- Cerritos College
  - The Village – 7 townhomes
  - Purchased by the college
  - Managed by Jovenes
  - Master lease agreement





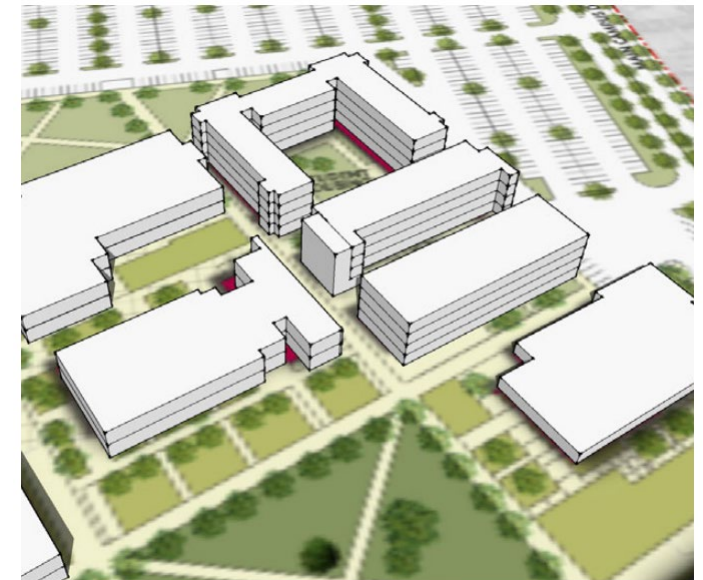
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- LACCD has several projects underway
  - East LA College partnership with Shower of Hope, 12 housing slots for homeless students
  - Opportunity House in Westwood, providing transitional housing arrangements for 35 LACCD students



# Housing Solutions in Our System

- Imperial Valley College and Cabrillo College
  - Tiny Home Grant – Housing 26 transitional youth at Imperial Valley
  - 12 RV's housing up to 25 transitional youth at Cabrillo
- Compton College Housing Plan
  - Collaboration with Gensler exploring a prefabricated, modular approach to student housing that could be a model for future projects
  - If approved by DSA – will shorten construction timelines for future piggyback projects



# Coordinating a Food Recovery Program



A Food Recovery Program connects students with on-campus food surplus resulting from food vendor donations and catered events.



Colleges can initiate a food alert system that allows students to opt-in to get text messages about surplus food available on-campus.

# Orange Coast College Recovery Kitchen

- Founded in 2019, helps students in food service management, culinary arts, baking and pastry, and nutrition programs gain experience working in a commercial high-volume kitchen, emphasizing proper handling and processing of recovered foods.
- The recovery kitchen collaborates with the on-campus pantry (Pirate's Cove), cafeteria services, the college's culinary arts, nutrition and dietetics, and horticulture programs to recover food for the student body.

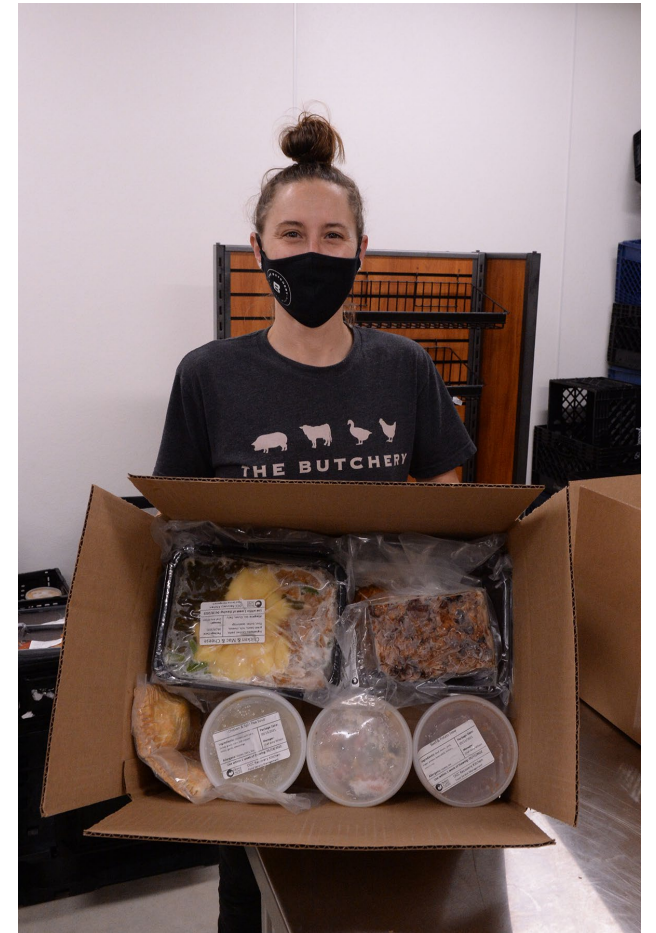






- Students learn the importance of reducing food waste by repurposing surplus edible food into nutritious, well-balanced meals.
- All the meals are distributed to OCC students and local families in need.

- In 2020 produced and distributed 212,392 meals and recovered 609,541 pounds of surplus edible food that would otherwise go to landfills.
- In 2021 the food service management program initiated a food waste program using a CityPod urban composter, with an annual capacity of 82 metric tons of food waste.



# Partnering with Community Based Organizations

- Colleges can leverage resources already available in the community to address food access.
- Evergreen Valley College's **Food, Resources, and Education to Stop Hunger and Homelessness (F.R.E.S.H.) Program**, partners with local community-based organization New Seasons Market to leverage resources to address food access, equity, and education programs on campus.



## **The Hunger Partner Program**

- customer monetary donations collected at the register and in-store fundraisers.
- EVC Emergency Fund account receives quarterly payments that assist in providing emergency funds to students facing a financial crisis.

## **The Neighbor Rewards Bag It Forward Program**

- Each time a customer brings in a reusable bag, a 5-cent bag refund goes toward the EVC F.R.E.S.H. Market Pantry as one of three community recipients.



## **The Food Recovery Program**

- provides food surplus resulting from food donations and catered events, including sandwiches and hot meals, from New Seasons Market
- weekly food donations include milk, eggs, bread, cereal, beverages, and snack items
- The EVC F.R.E.S.H. Market Pantry has received over 4,000lbs. of food.
- EVC students who show their student ID at checkout receive a 10% discount for their items.
- To better support students in need and those impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic, New Seasons Market donated fifty \$50 gift cards, fifty \$100 gift cards, and fifty \$250 gift cards to assist our most vulnerable students.

# Incorporate Food Access Solutions Into New Housing Development

- **The 2021 State Budget Act included \$2 billion in one-time/non-Prop 98 funding for student housing in the CCC, CSU, and UC.** This historic funding presents an opportunity for districts/colleges to address food insecurity by including dining facilities and meal plans in project design and operations.
- Meal swipe programs like Swipe Out Hunger allow student to donate their surplus meals rather than letting them go to waste.
- In fall of 2015, Santa Monica College's (SMC) Associated Student Government passed a referendum to allocate a portion of student fees to fund free lunch vouchers worth \$5 each for students facing food insecurity.
- Before the pandemic, up to 200 students per semester received up to six \$5 vouchers each time they visited a counselor to use at the on-campus cafeteria.

# Promising Practices

- Ridesharing Apps
  - Apps like **Scoop** provides rideshare opportunities for students with similar schedules
  - College Apps can do similar matching of student schedules
  - Align course scheduling by blocks to allow for better arrival/departure times
- Free Ride Share and Carpool Incentives
  - Free parking
  - Priority spaces
  - Priority registrations





# Access to Public Transportation

- Assembly Bill 2222 (Holder) in 2016 proposed a Free Transit Pass funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) – *it did not pass*
- This bill would be a perfect alliance between reducing greenhouse affects leading to climate change and benefit for students
- 60% of community colleges have implemented some kind of public transportation incentive



# Promising Practices

- Collaboration with Colleges and Transit Authorities to provide free or reduced transportation



- LA County U-Pass Program
- OCTA Free Fare Program
- Santa Cruz Metro Program
- Santa Rosa Free Ride Program

# Parking Fees and Parking Citations

- Parking fees are capped at \$59 by the state, and actual cost is determined at the local level by the District Board of Trustees
- Student parking fees fund the campus safety operations and often subsidize employee parking – a recent study showed that employees pay an average of 6% of the total parking fee revenue
- Parking citations create another obstacle for students living from paycheck to paycheck. A single \$35 parking ticket can derail a student's progress resulting in holds, drops, and other unintended consequences

# Promising Practices



*“ Even though I live with my parents, I still struggle to pay for gas money and food. I work two jobs but struggle.”*

– Student, Inland Empire/Desert

- Look at Parking and Campus Safety through an Equity Lens
  - Housing options on campus reduce need for transportation
  - Safe Bike lanes and paths
- Tiered System for Parking
  - Provide different payment options
    - Priority spaces
    - Priority registrations
- Fund Campus Safety and Facilities Maintenance Appropriately
  - Eliminating parking fees for students