



Emergency Planning & Preparedness



DRCCC Task Force



Dear Colleagues,

I want to express my whole hearted sympathies and condolences to the thousands of victims of the recent earthquakes in Haiti and Chile. The efforts launched by many of our students and colleges to provide aid

to those suffering in Haiti, which you can read about inside, make me extraordinarily proud. With this terrible tragedy so close to home and fresh in our minds let us take the time to review our own earthquake plans and make necessary improvements.

I realize that the state's dire fiscal circumstance adds additional challenges to emergency preparedness, but I encourage you to remain vigilant about keeping our campus communities as resistant from disaster as possible. I gave an address at the recent Community College League of California Conference where I offered some advice for living in difficult times. I encouraged our colleagues to prioritize, creatively seek outside funding, and innovate. I believe this advice is applicable to emergency planning and preparedness. The Chancellor's Office will do whatever we can to support your endeavors. Made possible from a grant from the California Emergency Management Agency, I am pleased to announce

that we will be providing a train-the-trainer Campus Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course in partnership with Michigan State University. The dates will be determined very shortly. CERT is an excellent and low cost way to engage your colleges in important emergency planning and response.

Given the state's unprecedented budget difficulties, Governor Schwarzenegger's budget proposal for the California Community Colleges is as favorable as we could have hoped. While this plan will not make up for the deep cuts the colleges experienced last year, it would help curb reductions in courses offered to our students.

Thank you for your wonderful work.

Sincerely,

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Bringing the H1N1 Vaccine to Our Communities



This past Fall, California Community Colleges health services put forth a huge effort to deliver the H1N1 vaccine to protect our students, staff and communities from this flu outbreak. Over 13,000 doses were delivered throughout the system, with some clinic sessions even administered as many as 2,000 doses in the first few hours.

Health Services Programs were key in planning for, ordering and distributing prevention supplies, such as hygiene stations, pump bottles of

alcohol based hand sanitizer, boxes of tissues, CDC "Cover your Cough," and other educational flyers and materials. Health services and administrations worked to craft timely and appropriate email messages and postings with updates and advice. This included the invaluable video "Pandemic Education and Prevention," initiated by Naomi Kitajima, RN, FNP, Foothill College, produced by the Chancellor's Office and ToucanEd. Health services contributed

to campus attendance tracking, provided phone consultation, health care advice, and physically assessed many ill patients as part of clinical health services offerings.

Partnerships were strengthened throughout this process. Collaborations between county health departments and CCC health services programs were formed in areas where they had been limited and existing collaborations were strengthened. It was a great way to develop a relationship with Allied Health

and Health Services within the different colleges.

The response has been tremendous from both patients and health personnel. Some individuals gave donations even though the vaccine was free. Personnel heard over and over again, what a wonderful learning opportunity for a public health experience for student nurses.



DRCCC Partners with the Community College League of California

by Carmen Sandoval, Community College League of California

The Community College League of California invited the DRCCC to present information on Emergency Preparedness Training (EPT) for the first time in 2008 at the Annual Trustees Conference in Palm Springs. The topic of EPT was introduced as a roundtable discussion led by Linda Morin, DRCCC Region 1 Representative and Environmental Health and Safety /Emergency Management Coordinator at Coast CCD.



Carmen Sandoval, Director of Education Services & Leadership Development

The success of that initial introduction to the trustees led to providing EPT certified

training sessions at League events throughout 2008 and 2009. Participants of the training were very impressed with the work of the DRCCC and grateful they were able to complete their mandatory training at an event they were scheduled to attend. The professionals providing the presentations and training were highly rated in event evaluations and contributed to the success of the League events. The League will continue to collaborate on future educational and training needs that will keep our community college leaders current on emergency training changes and requirements.



California Community Colleges Help Haiti

Since the 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck the people of Haiti on January 12, 2010, almost \$1 billion has been raised to help response and recovery efforts. Contributing to that effort, students, faculty, staff and their supporting communities at the California Community Colleges are working to raise funds, encourage in-kind donations and raise awareness. Fourteen community colleges have reported programs and fundraising efforts to support the struggling people of Haiti and that number grows everyday. The efforts include fundraisers, benefit concerts, donation partnerships, lecture symposiums, supporting organizations like Doctors Without Borders, the American Red Cross and others.



Below is a list of California Community College that have initiated programs or fundraising efforts to help response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti:

- **Allan Hancock College**
- **Cerritos College**
- **Citrus College**
- **City College of San Francisco**
- **College of Alameda**
- **College of the Canyons**
- **College of the Redwoods**
- **Cypress College**
- **Long Beach City College**
- **Mesa College**
- **Modesto Junior College**
- **Reedley College**
- **Santa Rosa Junior College**
- **West Hills College Lemoore**

Rio Hondo College Appropriated \$300,000 for Regional Homeland Security Training Center in Santa Fe Springs

by Susan Hearnay, Rio Hondo College

Rio Hondo College President Dr. Ted Martinez Jr. announced that Rio Hondo College's New Homeland Security Training Center will receive \$300,000 from the federal spending bill signed by President Obama on December 17, 2009. The federal funds are part of fiscal year 2010's authorization supporting efforts to strengthen Homeland Security programs throughout the nation. According to Martinez, "This new appropriation greatly enhances the potential of our regional training facility and Fire Academy based in Santa Fe Springs, and our ability to further leverage the facilities funding provided by Measure A approved by district voters. This is great news for the College and the region we serve."

Joe Santoro, Dean of Public Safety, said, "The \$300,000 will be used to install stadium lighting for the Center to provide 24-hour disaster and terrorism training for all first responders, the purchase of a Wildland Fire Engine and other Center support facilities." Santoro said "Our goal is to have the finest Homeland Security Training Center in the nation. This \$300,000 will help us meet that goal by providing the best training for all first responders, day and night!"

Coming Soon...EOP Template

The DRCCC will publish an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) template to assist college and district personnel in the creation and maintenance of an EOP that is consistent with state and federal guidelines (SEMS/NIMS). Starting with FEMA recommendations and model EOPs from across the state, the DRCCC has compiled best practices into a clear and comprehensive plan that can be personalized and elaborated on to fit specific needs of a district.

The purpose of publishing a model EOP is to provide tools that will empower campuses to create a useful plan without having to start from a blank slate.

This template may serve as a starting point for emergency managers to create a new EOP or to reflect on an EOP that already exists. The template will provide general suggestions for the format and content of a model EOP, however, its contents should be elaborated on or disregarded if they are not relevant for a particular district or campus. It is the DRCCC's hope that this template will help strengthen EOPs across the community colleges and ultimately ensure that all campuses have the tools necessary to be disaster resistant.

Rio Hondo College is home to the state's largest community college-based Public Safety program that includes a Police Academy, Fire Academy, Wildland Fire Academy and the newly constructed Regional Homeland Security Training Center.

Rio Hondo Colleges has been a recognized leader in training police and fire service personnel for over 40 years. In 2008, the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) named Rio Hondo College the best in "Excellence in Training for Organizational Achievement" in California.

Rio Hondo College Board President Angela Acosta Salazar said, "Representatives Grace Napolitano, Gary Miller, and Adam Schiff provided valuable leadership in obtaining this funding. Their

ability to work together, discuss the merits of the project with their committee members, and advocate to their colleagues on the House floor were all critical in securing this funding."

Rio Hondo College acquired a three acre site next to the Fire Academy in Santa Fe Springs to accommodate the Regional Homeland Security Training Center. In partnership with the Santa Fe Springs Fire and Rescue Department, more than \$400,000 of advanced training props have been housed at the Center, continuing the College's long standing partnerships with more than 56 fire departments and 86 law enforcement and EMS agencies.



Ribbon-Cutting Salutes New Police Station at San Diego Mesa College

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Mesa College Police Station held Dec. 2 included training and equipment demonstrations, displays of equipment and memorabilia and self-guided tours.

The 7,000 square-foot facility, which opened in August, includes offices, a spacious waiting area, a conference room, a secure suspect processing area and a locker room. It will provide new space for Mesa College's 25-member campus police force, including officers, lieutenants, sergeants, college service officers

and administrative support team members.

The station is part of the \$29.3 million East Campus Improvement Project, which also included the adjacent parking structure, the realignment of the campus' east entry gateway, and road and parking improvements.

"The construction and location of the substation represents our ability to listen to the input of our surrounding community, noted president, Dr. Rita M. Cepeda. "Our neighbors expressed concerns



Pictured: Charlie Hogquist, SDCCD Chief of Police; Mason Walker, President, Mesa College Associated Students; Rich Grosh, President, SDCCD Board of Trustees, President Rita M. Cepeda; trustee Peter Zschiesche, Chancellor Constance M. Carroll, and Peter Wright, DRCCC Director.

with safety and traffic control resulting from a large parking structure and they suggested that having a police presence located within or close to the parking structure would act as a deterrent," she added. "We listened and we complied."

The project was funded by the \$1.55 billion Propositions S and N construction bond program, providing for new teaching and learning facilities, major renovations, public safety facilities and infrastructure projects at City, Mesa and Miramar colleges, and six Continuing Education campuses.

The project also complies with the San Diego Community College District's commitment to sustainability. The project features include photovoltaic panels attached to the top of the attached parking structure that will help offset energy needs. As a participant of

San Diego Gas & Electric Co.'s Sustainable Communities Program, the project achieves significant energy savings. The facility is 12.9% better than California's Title 24 code for energy efficiency. Including the photovoltaic array, the offices are 45% better than Title 24; or about 50% total building energy cost savings compared to standard. On-site renewable energy production will account for about a third of annual total building energy cost.

The project was designed by Architects Delawie Wilkes Rodrigues Barker, a San Diego-based firm which also designed the Allied Health Building and the Mesa College Parking Structure. Diane Malone, Daniel Sicile-Kira and Edgar Hinojosa of Gafcon Inc. served as the campus project management team.

DRCCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2010

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MARCH

Health Services Association
California Community Colleges
Annual Conference (Sacramento)

State Task Force Meeting (Cal-
EMA Headquarters, Sacramento)

The Campus Safety Conference
(Long Beach)

Respiratory Protection Plan
Workshop (TBD- So. California)

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Workshop (TBD- No. California)

APRIL

California Colleges and University
Police Chief's Assn. Annual
Conference (Lake Tahoe)

California Community Colleges
Public Relations Officer's Annual
Conference - Santa Barbara

Active Shooter on Campus/
Workplace Violence Workshop
(Center for Personal Safety and
Preparedness - Chabot College)

SEMS/NIMS Training for
Elected Officials and Senior
Administrators (Butte College)

April 2010

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MAY

Campus Community Emergency
Response Team Train-the-Trainer
Course delivered by Michigan
State University (TBD)

Crisis Communications Workshop
(TBD)

May 2010

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JUNE

FEMA Emergency Management
Institute Higher Education
Conference (Emmitsburg, MD)

June 2010

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