## NEWSLETTER FOR THE LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE CAMPUS COMPUS NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020



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### **A MESSAGE FROM THE INTERIM** SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

### Dear LBCC Campus Community,

French critic, journalist and novelist, Alphonse Karr, once wrote, "Some people are always grumbling because roses have thorns; I am thankful that thorns have roses." This quote struck me as particularly fitting at this time in our collective college effort to meet the pandemic challenges we face on behalf of our most important focus - our students and their success.

We have been challenged as a College like never before. And amidst these challenges are examples of blossoming creativity and innovation, and a recognition by faculty and staff that doing things differently teaches us what we need to do to meet our students where they are in their educational path and in their lives.

To show our thanks to those "roses that grew out of thorns," those who have led the charge in keeping the College moving along during 2020, the Vice Presidents and I have created the "Viking Impact Awards." I hope you were able to watch when it premiered before Thanksgiving, and I hope you will extend your thanks and congratulations to those who were recognized. I know first-hand how extremely difficult it was to decide whom to highlight. We know there are so many of you going above and beyond well before, and throughout, this coronavirus experience.

I am very aware that many of you have stepped out of your comfort zone to make sure that Long Beach City College students have been able to access and obtain the tools needed to continue their education. You are each giving them a gift that will pay off well beyond COVID-19, beyond masks, quarantining, and vaccines — no one will be able to take the gift of education away from them.

In this season of thanks, in a year such as this, there are so many people to express my gratitude for here at the College. I want every one of you to know, "YOU are appreciated. YOU are noticed. YOU are the best." You all make a Viking Impact and I am so humbled to work alongside you.

My warmest wishes go out to you all during the upcoming holiday season. I hope you find joy and I hope you get a much-deserved rest.

Stay Safe & Viking Strong!

Lou Anne Bynum Interim Superintendent-President



# TUDENT **ON THE COVER:**

Long Beach City College Interim Superintendent-President Lou Anne Bynum and the Vice Presidents recently hosted the first Viking Impact Awards, highlighting colleagues who have gone above and beyond for LBCC, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Faculty, staff, managers and administrators gathered on YouTube Premiere November 19, to watch the video announcing the honorees and to send messages of congratulations on the chat feature. Within five days, the video had garnered nearly 1000 views on YouTube.

THE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES & INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT LOU ANNE BYNUM PROUDLY INVITE YOU TO A

# **RENOVATION** of the **LBCCAUDITORIUM**



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# VIRTUAL RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

– for the

THURSDAY, **DECEMBER 10, 2020** 10 A.M.

www.LBCC.edu



Commencement 2010 with fellow Trustees, Commencement Speaker Hilda Solis and former Superintendent-President Elov Ortiz Oakley: Trustee Doug Otto; Doug and Freda Otto at the LBCC 90th Anniversary Gala; With LBCC Nursing Graduates; Leading the Mayor's Transition Team with Dr. Sabrina Sanders and Mayor Robert Garcia; Celebrating with the LBCC Veterans Club; Championing Pride at the 2019 Pride Parade



SAVE EDDELLIE **Trustee** Otto

> fter four terms and 16 years of service on the Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees, Doug Otto zoomed through his final meeting on Wednesday, November 18.

> To acknowledge and thank Trustee Otto at the meeting, a tribute video was produced featuring colleagues and friends throughout his LBCC career. Former LBCCD Superintendent-President and current California Community College Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley spoke about Otto's commitment and dedication to student-centeredness. LBCC alumnus Bernie Luskin, now a prominent figure in education and media solutions, referred to Otto as a "genuine giant in the California Community Colleges."

> Otto was elected to the Long Beach Unified School District Board of Education earlier this year. Long Beach resident Herlinda Chico was elected to fill the seat for Area 4.





The Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees & Interim Superintendent-President Lou Anne Bynum proudly invite you to a

### Virtual Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

**New Pacific Coast** Campus Parking Structure

> Thursday, December 17, 2020 10 a.m. www.LBCC.edu

# **PROVIDING LBCC'S** HOMELESS **STUDENTS WITH** THANKSGIVING MEALS

The Long Beach City College Foundation's Helping Homeless Student Associate Group distributed 150 meals to students and their families just before the Thanksgiving Holiday break.

The meals were provided thanks to a grant from Linc Housing and arranged by Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustee Dr. Virginia Baxter. The Associate Group was able to sponsor the cost for LBCC Culinary Arts, under the direction of Chef Haley Nguyen, for the complete Thanksgiving meals. Culinary students prepared and packaged the meals that included turkey and all of the traditional fixings down to the pumpkin pie.

Members of the Foundation Board, including Helping Homeless Student Group President Brian Russell, Trustee

Baxter, Robyn Gordon-Peterson, Jim Ostach, Don Cochran, Jeff Sabol, Justin Mendez and others, helped distribute the food to students on the third floor of the LAC Parking Structure, which helped to maintain social distance protocols.

A highlight of the day was when the Culinary students were able to witness the fruits of their labor, and arrived to see their fellow Vikings receive a needed and appreciated delicious meal.

For more information about the Long Beach City College Foundation,



Wishing you a safe Thanksgiving! Thank you to Linc Housir for sponsoring dinner. LBCC linc



# LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE EARNS •2020•

Long Beach City College (LBCC) has been named a 2020 Champion of Higher Education for the third time in four years by the Campaign for College Opportunity.

The ADTs are a new type of degree at LBCC. In the last ten years, the California Community Colleges have awarded over 217,000 Associate Degrees for Transfer and since 2016. LBCC has increased its conferral of ADTs by nearly 75 percent. The degree provides a streamlined pathway between the state's community colleges and the California State University (CSU) system.

Earning the degree provides a number of benefits for LBCC students planning to transfer to the Cal State University (CSU) system, such as:

 Guaranteed admission into a university within the CSU system with a "similar" major (no guarantee to a specific campus)

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- Earn an Associate Degree for completing transfer requirements
- Grants priority consideration when applying to impacted majors and/or campuses
- Guarantees a 60 (LBCC) 60 (CSU) unit pathway to CSU graduation
- Those who earn the ADT, transfer to the CSU with junior status
- ADT degree holders from LBCC earn their Bachelor's Degrees nearly twice as fast from CSUs

LBCC was recognized at the Campaign for College Opportunity's event Advancing Higher Education Equity Speaker Series: Committing to Transfer as a Key Racial Equity Strategy on November 19. The virtual event brought together over 300 attendees representing California's higher education leadership, elected officials, corporate sponsors, and civic and business leaders. The Campaign has honored California Community College ADT achievements at its annual event since 2016.

FOR TRANSFER DEGREE CONFERRAL





### **DISTRIBUTED DEVICES**



### OLOGY SUPPORT AT A GLANCE\* \*101 SERVEY RESPONSES AS OF 11/16

## **VIEW US IN ACTION!** WATCH THIS MONTH'S VIDEOS



### THE ECONOMIC VALUE OF LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE

Long Beach City College influences both the lives of its students and the regional economy and a study was recently conducted on the economic value of LBCC. The College supports a variety of industries in Los Angeles and Orange County, serves regional businesses, and benefits society as a whole in California from an expanded economy and improved quality of life. The benefits created by LBCC even extend to the state and local government through increased tax revenues and public sector savings.

In the upcoming newsletters will include highlights of the study and the economic impacts created by LBCC on the business community and the benefits the college generates in return for the investments made by its key stakeholder groups -students, taxpayers, and society.

For the full Economic Value of Long Beach City College report, executive summary, and other materials, please visit: https://www.lbcc.edu/economic-value-study Impacts created by LBCC in FY 2018–2019







**\$15.6 million** Construction spending impact



**\$69.8 million** Student spending impact



**\$1.3 billion** Alumni





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Click here to watch the full virtual ceremony.



**Kathleen Mais** Simulation Hospital Lab Coordinator

**Sharon Peterson** 

10K Small Business

Alumni Manager

Jay Fama

Admissions & Records

Technician

Lupe Pasillas

Student Success & Support

Program Supervisor



Pedro Garcia Custodial Supervisor







**Farsio Kottab Business Systems** Analyst



**Teila Robertson** Student Life Coordinator

### Awards presented by:

🔿 Lou Anne Bynum

Erin Murphy

Director of

Special Projects



Gene Durand

Stacey Toda

Associate Director,

Communications &

Wendy Koenig

Associate Professor

Art History

Community Engagemen

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# UPCOMING EVENTS NOVEMBER/ DECEMBER

November 3–December 10 "Scream" Art Exhibition Instagram: @LBCCArtGallery1

Facebook: @LBCCArtGallery

**Thursday, December 10** Virtual Ribbon Cutting for the Renovation of the LBCC Auditorium *10 a.m.* www.LBCC.edu

**Thursday, December 17** Virtual Ribbon Cutting for the New Pacific Coast Campus Parking Structure *10 a.m.* www.LBCC.edu

Monday, December 21 Board of Trustees Meeting Virtual Monthly Meeting 4:30 p.m. – Closed Session 5:30 p.m. – Open Session www.LBCC.edu

For more events and information, visit **LBCC.edu/calendar.** 

### **Be Social with LBCC!**

Connect with Long Beach City College and check out our latest videos, campus activities and upcoming events on our social media platforms!

