Welcome Back!

On behalf of The People’s Pitzer, welcome back to campus! We hope everyone has had a smooth start to the semester and is looking forward to learning more about civic engagement.

What is The People’s Pitzer?

The People’s Pitzer is a student-focused initiative started in Fall of 2020 within the Pitzer College Center for Community Engagement. The goal of the program is to facilitate growth in civic engagement among the Pitzer community, with a key focus on education and empowerment, as well as introducing new meanings of civic action and developing strategies for student involvement in community work.

Past work has included voter education and voting rights, while this year will see a shift towards community organizing and the role students can play in affecting change within their communities. TPP will be tracing connections between civic activism, popular movements, and widespread change, and hopes to increase civic engagement at the college as a whole.

Weekly Spotlight

CLEAR, Compañeras, Líderes, Emprendedoras, Aliadas, y Revolucionarias, is a group of women workers who are partners, leaders, entrepreneurs, allies, and revolutionaries in their communities and skilled in various jobs. This collective grants women from the city of Pomona and the surrounding regions access to greater job options and economic self-reliance while also providing opportunities for their professional and leadership development. The program includes job development trainings, health and safety workshops, and a multitude of other resources meant to empower the women workers.
The program is run out of the Pomona Economic Opportunity Center. The PEOC was founded by former Pitzer Professor Jose Calderon, and is a non-profit day labor organization whose mission is to provide an opportunity for day laborers to find safe work at a fair wage, to obtain new trades and skills that improve their employability and quality of life, and to improve overall conditions for all immigrant workers.

This fall, CLEAR and the PEOC is supporting California Senate Bill No. 321, which would convene an advisory committee to protect the health and safety of household domestic service employees, and develop industry-specific occupational health and safety guidance.

To learn more, check out the PEOC on Facebook @1PEOC, Instagram @peoc_pomona, and Twitter @peoc_pomona.

Volunteers Needed

This fall, TPP and the Pomona Economic Opportunity Center are looking for a Spanish-speaking volunteer to assist with making flyers, PEOC social media, and supporting SB321.

Interested? Contact Ari Wood at ari_wood@pitzer.edu.

Save the Date

October 5 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Pitzer Industry Series: Government/Public Policy | Virtual Event

Meet with alumni who are currently working in the Government/Public Policy industries. This program is part of a series that provides us with a regular platform for Pitzer alumni and families as well as employers to discuss careers in a variety of fields. In typical Pitzer fashion, we have specifically designed these series events to be small, approximately 10-15 students, to allow for meaningful conversations.

Confirmed panelists are alumni who work at the following organizations: Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington, a Legislative Representative from the League of California Cities; and a Legislative Correspondent for U.S. Senator Martin Heinrich (D-NM).
The Latino and Latina Roundtable College for All Coalition Committee works to generate educational policies that foster leadership development, civic engagement, and a democratic culture for community empowerment and improvement. As part of its goals, the committee is building a core group of LRT parents, students, and members as part of the College for All Coalition to support key educational bills, develop college readiness programs in schools, create a pipeline between area colleges and schools, and advance access and retention in higher education. This event is co-sponsored by The People’s Pitzer and the Latino Roundtable of the San Gabriel and Pomona Valley.

**Plenary Speakers:** Jose Calderon, Pitzer Emeritus Professor; Melanie Andreo, Pitzer Senior Latin@ Studies & Sociology; Cesar Casarrubias, PUSD Director of Pupil Resources; Maria Garcia, PUSD Senior Technical Assistant for and Community Services & Parent Involvement; Fabian Pavon, Pomona Education Coalition; and Oscar Segovia, Chaffey High School Social Science Teacher.

**October 28 - 5:30 pm: National Lawyers Guild Know Your Rights | Virtual Event**

Connect with Us

Want to hear more from The People’s Pitzer? Join our email list [here](#). Want to get involved in the Community Engagement Center in other ways? Fill out our volunteer interest form [here](#).
Follow our Instagram and Facebook (@ThePeoplesPitzer) for updates, and be sure to check out our website to see all our resources. Keep an eye out for future newsletters as well!

Further questions? Comments? Concerns? For more information about The People’s Pitzer, as well as how to get involved in our team, contact Alaina Neuburger at aneuburg@students.pitzer.edu.

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