**FALL 2023 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** 



September 18th- September 22nd, 2023

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- + Tuesday, September 19th, ALL DAY | CEC 25 | National Voter Registration Date more details to come
- + Friday, September 22nd | Orientation and Ethics Training and Intake Form due
- + Friday, September 29th, 2pm-4pm | CEC 25 | GrassRoots Organizing Training in the GSC MPR

#### **CHECK OUR EVENTS PAGE FOR MORE DETAILS:**

https://www.pitzer.edu/cec/about-the-cec/upcoming-events/

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TIP OF THE WEEK

## TRACKING YOUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HOURS!

If you are completing an internship this semester that requires you to keep track of your hours, consider using our <u>weekly internship timesheet</u>. This is great way to make sure you are staying on track with your internship and log your hours in one place. It can be tricky backlogging hours from memory, so we suggest logging hours the day that you complete them!

#### PARTNER SPOTLIGHT



#### **CLASP**

CLASP is a non-profit organization in Claremont that offers after-school homework support and enrichment activities to elementary students in the Claremont Unified School District. Serving approximately 70 students each year, this

program offers individualized help to student have been recommended by their teachers.

Students can get involved with CLASP as volunteer tutors! CLASP has online and in person opportunities for students who are interested in tutoring! All sessions are about 90 minutes, two days a week. For students interested in participating either for their course related community engagement or on your own, please check out our <u>volunteer page</u> for details on all the times/dates/locations.

#### THIS PARTNERSHIP REQUIRES CLEARANCE

Details on how to get cleared are available on our Clearance Information page: <a href="https://www.pitzer.edu/cec/community-engagement-center/students/clearance-information/">https://www.pitzer.edu/cec/community-engagement-center/students/clearance-information/</a>

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

## **CLASP (Claremont After School Programs)**

Tutors | date/time varies | Tutors needed for 1st-6th students, two times a
week a various locations in Claremont for about 1.5 hours per session. For
questions please contact Raydie Buckley (office@office4kids.org) or Cristina
Antoniolli (clasp.office@gmail.com). Check out our volunteer opportunities for
a list of dates, times and locations! LIVESCAN REQUIRED. See our
clearance page for details.

### Homework Club | Pomona Public Library Foundation

• Tutors | In Person | Mon- Thurs, 3:30-6pm | Tutors needed for K-8. Clearance is required! For those interested please contact Angel. LIVESCAN REQUIRED. See our clearance page for details.

### **Uncommon Good | Apply Today!**

 Volunteers | Uncommon Good is looking for volunteers for their programming! Check out the Uncommon Good application to see what they have to offer. LIVESCAN REQUIRED. See our clearance page for details.

## Meals on Wheels | West

Community Connections Program Participants | 150 volunteers needed |
Remote/Virtual | Students will participate in the Community Connections
Program. Volunteers who can contribute from 10 minutes to 2 hours a week.
Each person gets a client and they make phone calls to the person from 10 minutes to 2 hours a week. Contact Margaret Talai for more information!

## Pacific Lifeline | Ladies Bingo Bonanza Fundraiser

- Fundraiser Volunteer | In Person | Saturday, September 16th, 2023
- **Program Volunteer | Ongoing |** Can include working with children on tutoring, child care assistant and activities, helping with donation support, cleaning Mother Nature's house, working within the Pacific Line office and events, and Christmas! Contact Tania Pantoja for more information!

If you are a community partner in need of volunteer support, please reach out to <a href="mailto:crystal\_rodriguez@pitzer.edu">crystal\_rodriguez@pitzer.edu</a> to be added to our database!

## **AWARDS AND FUNDING RESOURCES**

#### **AWARDS**



## Social Responsibility Thesis Award: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/SRTA123">https://tinyurl.com/SRTA123</a> Deadline: November 7th, 2023

This award is designed to support Pitzer students who will be completing a senior thesis or project during the 2023 spring semester. Funding is awarded to *students* who complete a senior thesis or project relating to a social responsibility or community engagement theme.



#### Kallick Community Service Award: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/Kallick">https://tinyurl.com/Kallick</a>

Deadline: November 13th, 2023

The CEC would like to invite you to apply for the Kallick Community Service Award available each semester. This award is open to all *students* who have completed 100+ hours of community engagement work over the course of the current academic year. Don't forget, you can combine your project hours!



## Partner Funding Request (Community Partners Only): <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CPFunds">https://tinyurl.com/CPFunds</a>

**Deadline: Rolling Deadline** 

#### \$250 MAX AWARD | AVAILABLE EACH SEMESTER

Community Partners may request funds to be used towards projects, events, initiatives. Funds will be accessible through reimbursement, direct payments to vendors unless otherwise requested. **Max request of \$250.** 

For any questions related to funding and awards please contact <a href="mailto:jackie\_contreras@pitzer.edu">jackie\_contreras@pitzer.edu</a>.

#### **FUNDING RESOURCES**



Community Engagement Transportation Funds | Fall Deadline | Monday, December 18th, 2023 (Open to Students)
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CLEARANCE FUNDS Community Engagement Clearance/Livescan/TB Funds | Fall Deadline | Monday, December 18th, 2023 (Open to Students) The CEC has clearance funds allocated for students doing community engagement-related travel either for a course or on their own. Requests are accepted on a rolling basis and are due no later than two weeks after the end of each semester.



## General Funding Requests | (Open to Students/Faculty/Community Partners)

Applicants may request to use funds for speakers, materials, event co-sponsorships, and conference related expenses. Funds are accessible through reimbursement, direct payments to vendors, unless otherwise requested.

TRANSLATION /
INTERPRATION
FUNDING

# <u>Translation and Interpretation Funding Request</u> | (Open to Students/Faculty/Community Partners)

If you are in need of translation or interpretation services, complete the form linked below. We have limited funds available for these, so they will be distributed on a first come first serve basis.

For any questions related to funding and awards please contact <a href="mailto:jackie\_contreras@pitzer.edu">jackie\_contreras@pitzer.edu</a>.

## **CEC STAFF SPOTLIGHT**



#### MANAGING DIRECTOR

We would like to introduce you to Tricia Morgan, the Managing Director of the Community Engagement Center! Tricia has been part of the CEC for 14 years! From beginning her time as a New Resource Student to becoming the Managing Director of the CEC, Tricia has been an integral part of our office!

## **Getting to Know Tricia**

## What do you do at the CEC?

I oversee all programs and personnel at the CEC. This ranges from strategic planning and fiscal oversight, to supporting faculty, students, and community members in socially just collaborations. I try to keep up morale on our team by cultivating a supportive environment and aligning our work with our institutional and center values.

## What is your favorite part of your job?

Hands down it's the people I have been able to meet and with whom I have been honored to work. People in the community, our own staff, students, and faculty have provided beloved community in times of need, taught me so much about myself and the world we live, and have demonstrated practical ways we can come together despite living within capitalist, neoliberal systems - how we can care for and show up for each other on both large and small scales.

#### How do you practice self-care?

I garden. I have found that cultivating and caring for life provides me with joy and so many life lessons. I have a ton of indoor plants and have been expanding my outdoor gardens to include more CA native plants. I get up early every morning to go outside, water, and talk to my plants - they tell me what they need and teach me patience. I get so excited to see a new leaf or bloom <3 hit me up if you want to swap cuttings, seeds, or baby plants!

## What is your favorite smell and why?

I love the way it smells after it rains!

#### What is your favorite Pitzer memory?

My favorite Pitzer memory is from when I was a student and single parent - my child care fell through for the day and I emailed my professor Andre Wakefield to tell him I couldn't make it to class for that reason. He told me, "Hey no worries! Tell you what,

bring your kids to class and I'll bring mine, we can have class today at the chicken coop! I knew then that Pitzer was a special place and exactly where I needed to be <3

What's one song you can't help but dance to? Levitating by Dua Lipa

For more information about the CEC please visit our website at <a href="https://www.pitzer.edu/cec/">https://www.pitzer.edu/cec/</a> or follow us on IG @pitzercec.

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