Basic Needs Summit

President's Cabinet Presentation

Basic Needs Summit Program Agenda July 29, 2019 MC 211/AB – 9 am to 3 pm

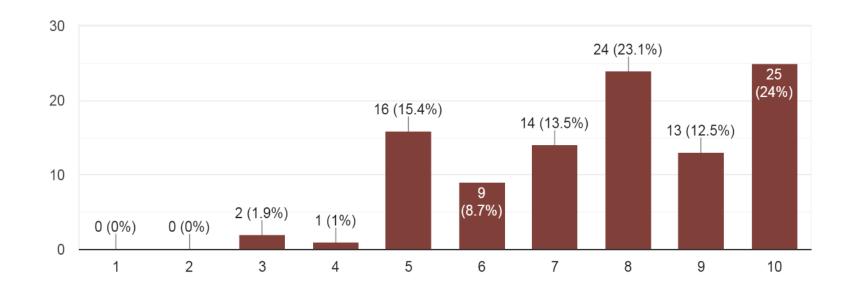
9 am – Addressing Basic Needs at Mesa College (Dr. Pamela Luster, President)
9:30 – Review of Current Student Success & Equity Efforts (Johanna Aleman)
10:00 Break
10:05 – Mesa College Mapping of Basic Needs Support (Larry Maxey)
11:15 – Collaborating With Financial Aid to Meet the Basic Needs of Students (Gilda Maldonado)
Noon Lunch – Table Topics Discussion (Claudia Perkins/Claudia Estrada-Howell)
12:30 – Mental Health and Behavior, the Impact of Basic Needs Insecurity (Linda Gibbins-Croft/Claudia Perkins)
1:15 – Tackling Issues of Homelessness (Walter Phillips, CEO, San Diego Youth Services)
1:45 Break
1:55 – Emergency Relief Funds & Mesa College Foundation, Setting Priorities (Krista Stellmacher)

2:25 – Moving forward, Take-away & Follow up (Dr. Ashanti Hands, Vice President, Student Services)
3:00 – Conclude

Agenda

1. On a scale of 1 to 10, how familiar are you with the college's efforts toward the basic needs concerns of our students?

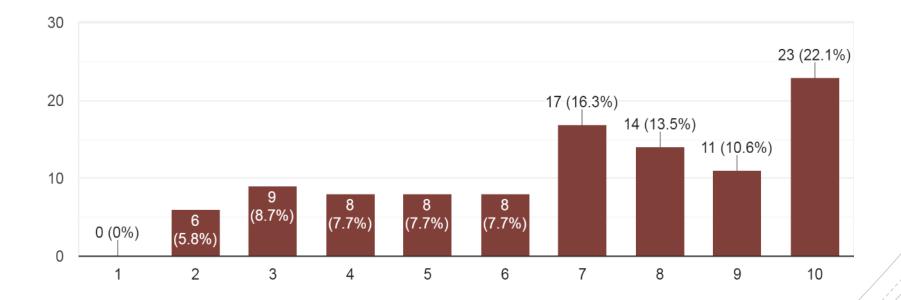
104 responses



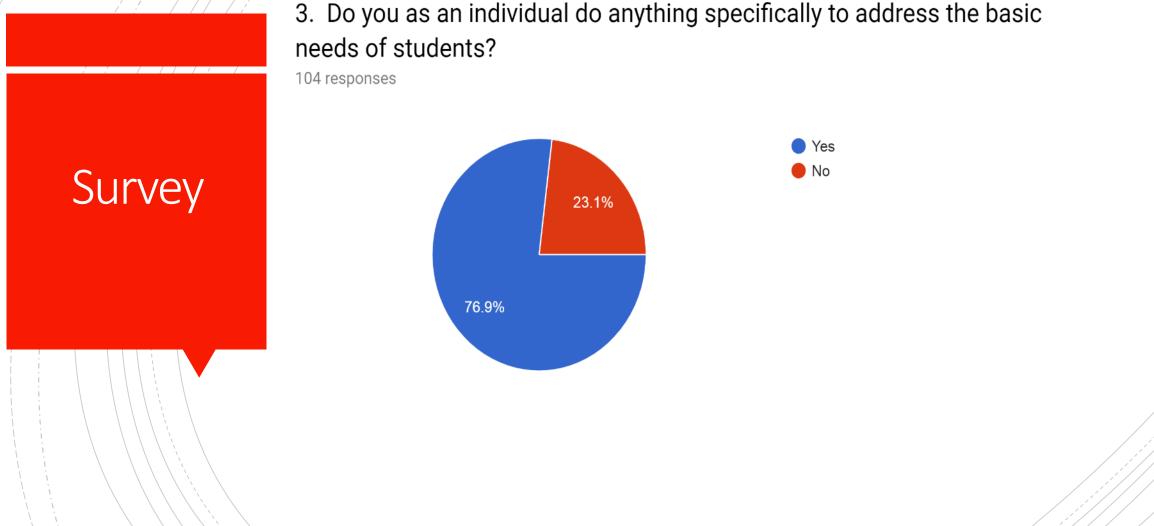
Campuswide Survey Results

2. On a scale of 1 to 10, how often do you engage with students who have food, housing, and/or other basic needs insecurity?

104 responses



Survey



3. Do you as an individual do anything specifically to address the basic

Survey

35%

80 responses

4. If Yes, what area of basic needs support do you provide?



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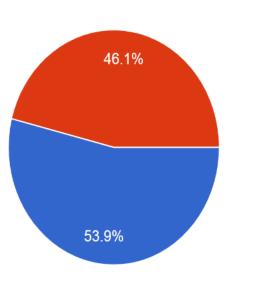
5. Does your "department/service area" do anything specifically to address the basic needs of students?

Yes

No 🔵

102 responses

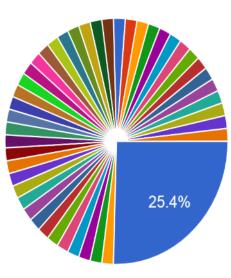
Survey



6. If Yes, what area of basic needs support does your department/service area provide?

59 responses

Survey



Food
Housing
Veterans Emergency Relief Fund
Resources, backpacks for homeles...
Referral to Student Success and Eq...
Stand contributions like shampoo, s...
mental/emotional, counseling, guida...
We provide a comfortable environm...

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Mapping Results, Food Individual/Departmental

What We Learned:

- Beyond Institutional Efforts (Stand, Farmers Market, Pop Up) there are many available food resources for students
- Instructional faculty are greatly supportive in providing food resources to students



Mapping Results, Other Individual Resources

What We Learned:

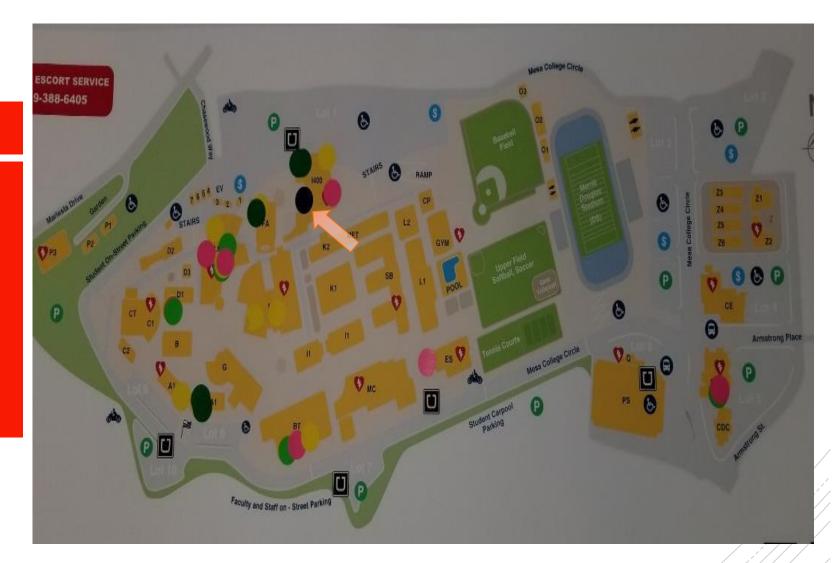
- Many individual are providing resources to support students including:
 - Affective Support (Pink)
 - Practical (Yellow)
 - Resource Information (Green)
- Campus wide, individual members of our community demonstrate care for our students
- Our community would benefit greatly from a centralized resource center



Mapping Results, Other Departmental & Housing

What We Learned:

- While individuals are more likely to provide supports to students, departments are less likely to have specific programs/initiatives
- Housing is by far a resource that we provide minimal support
- Only one department noted housing resources
- A primary focus of the Stand Resource Center needs to be housing resources
- We will need community support to address housing issue



What patterns do you notice? What jumps out at you? What are the themes?

- Overlapping services in each location
- Need for resource support in every building
- Happening in a few building/not all
- Need for faculty support awareness of services
- Concentrated support in I-400.
- Perimeter (including Allied Health) has a lot support.
- Disposed- individual at time (sharing, lunch, bringing extra food from home for students)
- Housing support seems lacking
- Food and housing resources are mostly found at the perimeter.
- Direct/affective/referral are clustered/linked.
- Lots going on in SS center.
- Housing resources are most scarce.

Does the data challenge assumptions about how we are serving the basic needs of our students? If so, how?

- Assumption that only SS supplies support, challenged by showing support in different departments and buildings
- Affective support IS SUPPORT!, following up is so important
- That housing assumption that resource is workable- (not always accurate)
- Not sure we know what all the data says (do not have raw data)

Is there anything that can be done to integrate resources and streamline services to students?

- Syllabus- Faculty spend time going over services
- Training-outreach-retreat
- Little pantries?
- Embed support in classrooms
- (Section of café holding food without knowing who pays or not)
- Small distribution centers (increase accessibility)
- Comfort tent (regularly on campus- rather than occasional)
- Camp Mesa (campground) porta potties, trailer in showers
- Students can build recycled tiny houses?
- Habitat for humanity

- Centralized resource hub- campus. Open on weekends?
- Partner with other community services that can work with us
- Train peer navigator for basic needs
- Peers experiencing insecurities
- They are developing shells in their fields and we'd want to pay them
- Weekend proctoring? Open to all students when less busy
- Housing opting
- We would have to reassess who we are on the weekends.
- 24/hr LRC? Issues with contracts
- Compile a list of food distribution points in the city, also child care

Next Steps

- #RealCollege Convening September 28-29, Houston Texas
- Connecting with Amarillo College
- Convening of the Stand expansion work group, September 3, 4 pm
 - Group will be making recommendations on what programs/services will should go into the space
- Convening of the Stand resiliency fund work group, tbd
 - Will work to determine the process for student access to the resiliency fund

Questions?