

REGION V NEWSLETTER

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This Month's Announcements

Mark your calendars for the second Advocacy Academy at the Sheraton Grand in Downtown Sacramento, November 22-24. [Registration](#) ends on November 11th or when it's sold out—secure your spot today for the best rates!

Here's key information for the 2024 Elections:

Registration deadlines:

- [In-person during early voting](#): Oct 7 - Nov 4
- [In-person at voting location on Election Day](#): Nov 5

Voting deadlines:

- Early voting: varies by location
- Return ballot by mail (postmarked by): Nov 5
- Return ballot in person: Nov 5 by 8:00PM
- [California sends ballots to actively registered voters](#): Oct 7 - Oct 26

If you have questions regarding the elections, the SSCCC is hosting a voter registration training on October 23rd at 11 AM to help community college students boost voter turnout. Don't miss out—[RSVP here!](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

Voter Registration Webinar

October 23, 2024 @ 11AM

[RSVP Here](#)

Delegate Assembly

October 24, 2024 @ 4PM

Clovis Community College

2024 General Elections

November 5, 2024

registertovote.ca.gov

SSCCC Board of Directors

November 8-9, 2024

Palm Springs, CA,

Advocacy Academy

November 22-24

Sheraton Grand, Sacramento

[Register Here](#)

REGION V COLLEGES

Bakersfield

Cerro Coso Community

Clovis Community

Coalinga

College of the Sequoias

Fresno City

Lemoore

Madera Community

Merced

Porterville

Reedley

Taft

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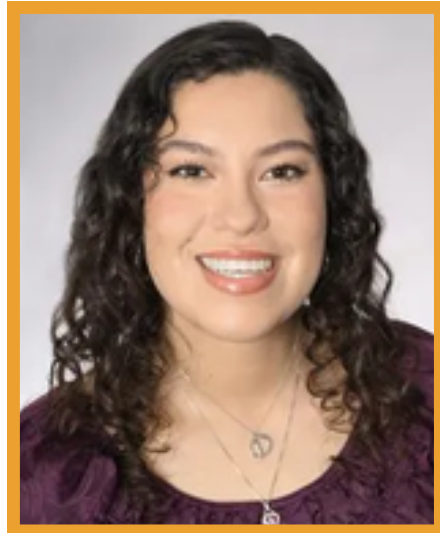
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Hello everyone,

I'm Dejalia White, your Legislative Affairs Director. I study Criminology, Administration of Justice and History at Reedley College and plan to transfer to Fresno State in 2025.

I'm excited to collaborate with all of you in the upcoming legislative cycle and encourage everyone to get involved in advocacy. Having participated in two advocacy visits myself, I want to share those great opportunities with you so you can tell your stories. If you're interested, I'd love to hear from you!



Join the Region V Legislative Affairs Committee or share your story with us. Don't miss our Advocacy Academy from November 22-24; I hope to see you all there to learn about navigating advocacy and legislation. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out!

Happy Spooky Season!

Sincerely,

Dejalia White

Legislative Affairs Director



ACTIVATED COLLEGES

Region V

As of October 18th, Region V has activated 9 out of 12 colleges! Listed are the names of the delegates and their respective college.

Elise Miller
Bakersfield College

David Ball
Fresno City College

Garrett Wilkinson
Cerro Coso Community College

Mia Aguilar
Madera Community College

Gabrielle Yeager
Clovis Community College

Joseph Cruz
Reedley College

Kaylee Bayer
Coalinga College

Luz Robles
Taft College

Rheanna Gallegos
College of the Sequoias

Thank you to all of those who have joined us since our last newsletter was published! To verify a delegate, please fill this form:
[SSCCC Region Delegate Verification](#)



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

This Month's Spotlight...

Kay Bayer, Coalinga College

Kaylee Bayer (she/her) is the **President** of **Coalinga College's Associated Student Body (ASB)** and a full-time Administration of Justice major. In addition to her leadership role, she plays middle hitter on the volleyball team, serves as a residential assistant, and represents her college as a delegate.

Coalinga College is a small campus located in the Central Valley, where there are more farms than cities. Although it can feel somewhat isolated, **Kaylee** finds a way to stay involved on campus!

The college actively promotes events, and **Kaylee** feels fortunate to be an RA who is also the **ASB President**. The campus has its challenges, but that's why she is passionate about advocacy. She believes they have often been overlooked in discussions, and hopes to help initiate change.

"For me, a quote that resonates deeply is one I share with all my students: "Do not settle." I also love the occasional Pat Tillman quote, "Give 'em hell." I believe that no one can dictate what you can or cannot achieve, so I always encourage others to do what is right."

Kaylee Bayer, Coalinga College



COLLEGE SPOTLIGHT

Madera Community College

Maddie's Food Pantry Grand Opening



On October 15th, *Madera Community College* proudly hosted the grand opening of *Maddie's Food Pantry*, a significant event that saw strong support from the community. Among those in attendance was Assemblymember Esmeralda Soria, field representative, who presented the college with a certificate of recognition, underscoring the importance of this initiative.

Maddie's Food Pantry is dedicated to combating student hunger by offering a wide variety of nutritious food options, with the highly popular "*Farm Fresh Mondays*" being a standout feature among students. In addition to food, the pantry provides essential hygiene products such as toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, and more, ensuring that students not only have access to healthy meals but also to basic necessities.

In a time when inflation continues to drive up the cost of living, the availability of free, healthy food and hygiene products has had a profoundly positive impact on the student body, alleviating financial stress and promoting well-being.

The ASG at *Madera Community College* has played a pivotal role in the success of *Maddie's Food Pantry*. They consistently advocate for student needs and supports the pantry by assisting with grant applications, offering input on ideas and recommendations, and developing artwork that promotes healthy eating. Whenever the pantry requires assistance, the ASG has been there, providing invaluable support to ensure the pantry's continued success and service to the community.



OPPORTUNITIES

Get Involved!

Ballot Bowl

The California University and College Ballot Bowl is a friendly competition organized by the California Secretary of State's Students Vote Project, aimed at encouraging campuses to register the most students to vote and foster civic engagement. This event takes place in even-numbered years leading up to the general election. In our region, **Bakersfield College**, **Fresno City College**, and **Merced College** have excelled in promoting student voter registration and civic engagement on their campuses. Thank you all for your outstanding efforts!

For more information: [LINK](#)

Region V Treasurer Vacancy

Join the Regional Executive Board! There is currently a vacancy for the office of Treasurer. In this role, the individual will serve as the Chair of the Internal Region Finance Committee and as a member of the statewide SSSCC Regional Finance and Fundraising Committee, while maintaining accurate records of financial transactions for the region.

For more information: [LINK](#)

Advocacy Academy

The second annual Advocacy Academy will be held at the Sheraton Grand in Downtown Sacramento from November 22-24, 2024. This event empowers students with skills to advocate for change on their campuses and in their communities, focusing on strategies to influence campus leaders, trustee boards, city councils, and legislators. Participants will improve their negotiation, communication, and relationship-building skills.

Register here: [LINK](#)



THANK YOU FOR READING!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Communications Committee

Meets on a
Wednesday @ 12pm

Contact Andrew Santana
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information.

Internal Affairs Committee

Meets on a Monday
@ 12pm

Contact Jadah Wren
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Legislative Affairs Committee

Meets on a Monday
@ 10am

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