

The Market Food Pantry



Las Positas College resumed hosting The Market Food Pantry, in collaboration with the Alameda County Community Food Bank on Tuesday, May 29, 2020. Following social distancing guidelines, LPC's well-coordinated team of volunteers served more than 100 students and community members who remained in their cars during this distribution, making this Market distribution the largest one so far. The volunteers contributed in unloading food, pre-bagging items, and ensuring the patrons were served with respect. The team took all precautions, and even with their masks, were smiling. During the 2019-20 academic year, The Market served more than 1,000 student and community households. With the many, many changes that occurred due

to COVID-19, our community has been affected not only with food insecurities but reduction and/or loss of employment, physical illness, and even mental health issues. That is why LPC made a huge effort to coordinate and plan for this much-needed resource to continue, especially during this challenging time. Thank you to all the volunteers!



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First of LPC CARES Emergency Grants are Awarded

On May 29 the Las Positas Financial Aid Office began disbursing emergency grant funds awarded by the CARES Act with \$1,032,000 disbursed to 1,376 students. Additionally, the college is running weekly disbursements to address students that were not awarded automatically. There is \$405,745 is still remaining. Students who are not eligible for the automatic awards will be able to apply for remaining funds through a simple application process currently being developed.

For more information please visit the following webpage <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/financialaid/covid19-resources.php> or contact the financial aid office. Staff are working remotely at this time via Cranium Café, or you can email lpcfinaid@laspositascollege.edu.

LPC Student a Second Time Pedrozzi Scholar

This year, the Pedrozzi Foundation awarded \$327,500 in scholarships to 86 local scholars. Since 2008, the Pedrozzi Foundation has awarded \$4.8 million to 1,312 Livermore students. Of the 2020 Pedrozzi Scholars, 23% will be the first in their family to attend college. These scholars will be attending community college, undergraduate, graduate, and trade schools.

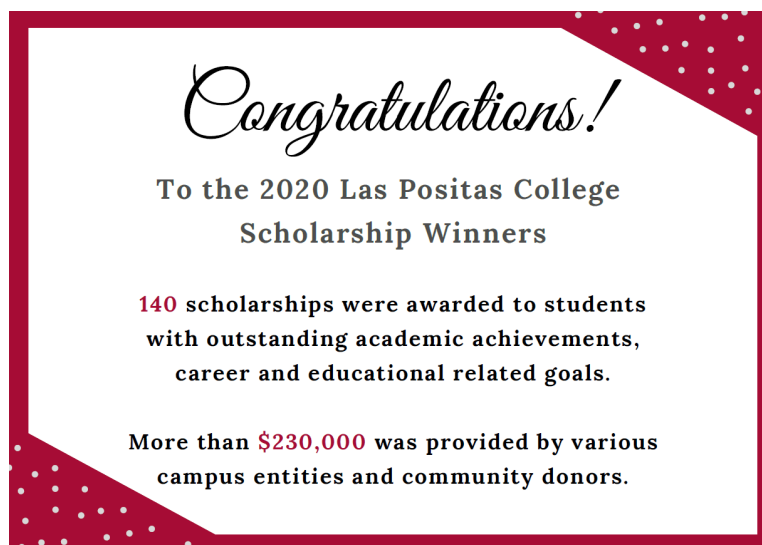


This year LPC's Kaycee Bilke received her second Pedrozzi scholarship. Her first was awarded in 2017, which she used at Las Positas College and is now Graduating with two associate degrees and is transferring to CSU, East Bay to pursue a career in teaching.

Kaycee Bilke expressed her gratitude to the Pedrozzi Foundation, "I am so excited to be receiving the Pedrozzi scholarship again! After being awarded a community college scholarship in 2017, I became involved with the Pedrozzi Foundation and love everything it does for Pedrozzi Scholars, future applicants, and students in the community. I am honored to call myself a Pedrozzi Scholar for a second time. As I graduate from Las Positas with two associate degrees, I am heading to Cal State East Bay to pursue my degree in human development with an emphasis in early childhood development and a multiple subject teaching credential. Working while being a full-time student is difficult, but I learned so much about myself and what it takes to make my dreams come true. Having Pedrozzi support me again makes me feel that I am constantly supported by my community, and that everything I do is accounted for and recognized. Thank you to everyone at the Pedrozzi Foundation!"

We congratulate Kaycee Bilke and wish her much success!

2020 Las Positas College Award Recipients!



For a full list of this year's scholarship recipients please click [here](#).

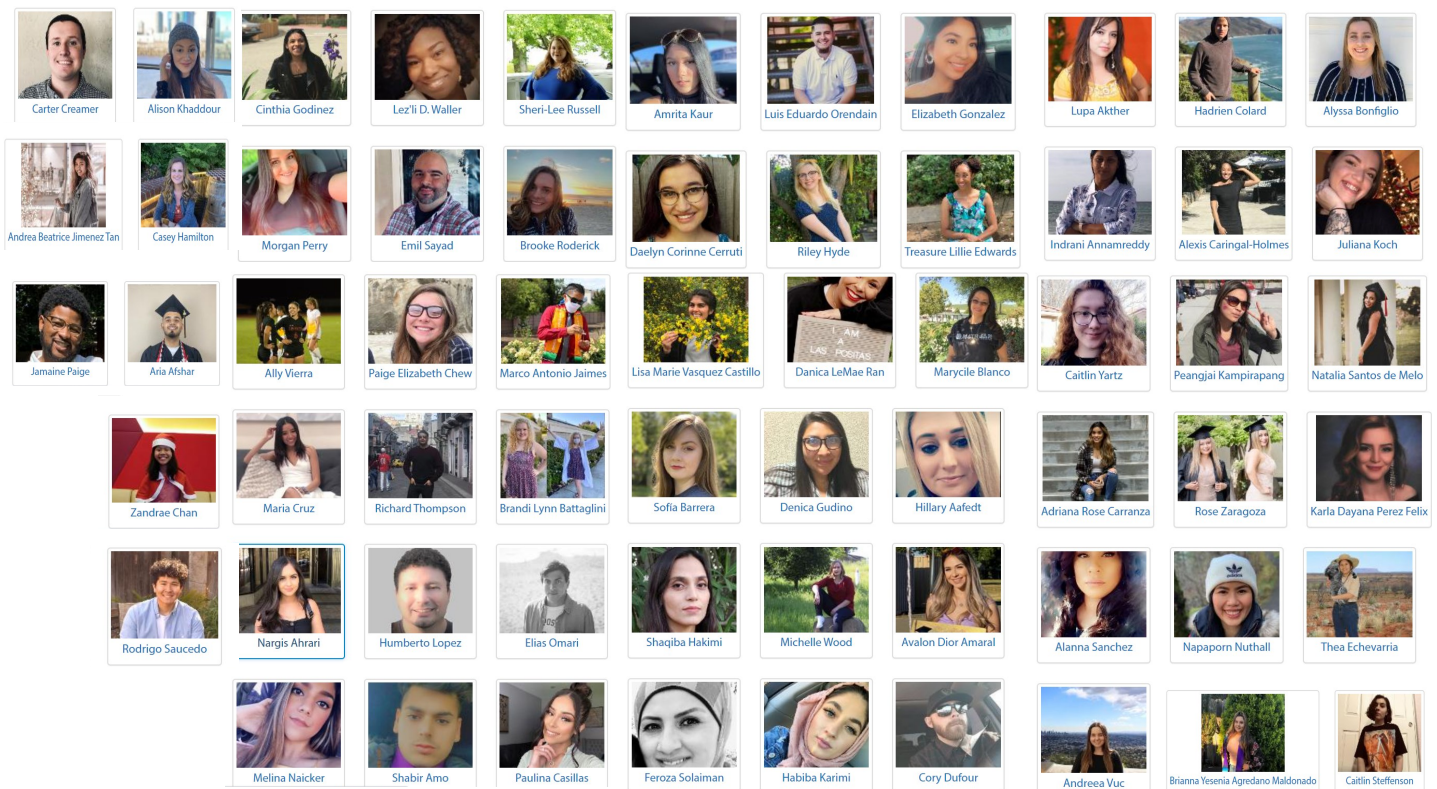
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Congratulations Class of 2020! Students, although the in-person commencement ceremony is being postponed to a later date, you deserve to be honored and celebrated now! On behalf of the Las Positas College faculty, staff and administrators, we are proud to celebrate your success! You have shown tremendous determination to persevere through these uncertain times to achieve your goals! You have our deepest respect and admiration for staying true to your values and for your commitment to achieve success. You have made your family, friends and loved ones proud. You have worked hard to achieve your goals. Take the time to reflect on your journey and be proud of all that you have accomplished at this moment. Be sure to thank your family, friends, and the LPC faculty and staff who have supported you along the way. Congratulations on beginning the next phase in your journey and thank you for allowing us to share in your educational experience here at LPC. We all wish you much continued success!

To see President Foster's congratulatory message click [here](#).

The LPC class of 2020 had 1,533 graduates. Below are some students who've shared their photos on our Commencement Celebration webpage:



Clean and Safe Lab Supplies



Thanks to our wonderful classified professionals for ensuring the return of student materials that had been in the labs during the shelter-in-place. Gary Wilkes, Lab Coordinator, and Samantha Portea, Lab Technician created a system to return these items to biology and chemistry students (goggles, lab coats, etc), and to collect items that students had borrowed (molecular model kits, insect kits). Thank you for your support and keeping all students safe!

Theater Arts Launches Summer Workshops

Join Las Positas College Theater Arts for an inspiring summer of workshops, with talented, motivated people in the theater! The Summer Session series at LPC will present students in high school, college, or the community with the chance to explore a range of topics with theater arts professionals, excited and ready to share their expertise with you! Our Master Class instructors are currently working (or have worked with) with Berkeley Rep, ACT, Cal Shakes, *Hamilton*, *On the Town* and *Lion King* (Broadway), and more! Do not miss this chance to grow as a performing or technical artist!

Open to everyone!

News in Brief

Teaching Online and Sharing Tips and Advice: Faculty met on May 25 via Zoom to debrief the wild spring semester and brainstorm various topics students and the college might like to focus on for the fall semester. The May 25 meeting was the first “Teaching-Institute-Inspired Support and Social Forum” for online teaching at LPC.

Dreamer Resource Liaison: Catherine Alfaro Gomez, Financial Aid Outreach Specialist, has agreed to serve as our new college’s first Dreamer Resources Liaison beginning July 1, 2020. In her role, Catherine will serve as a resource for undocumented students and will assist and refer students to agencies that can further assist with those student needs .



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