

# Leveraging Resources to Provide Wrap Around Support Services for Students

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#### **Antelope Valley College**

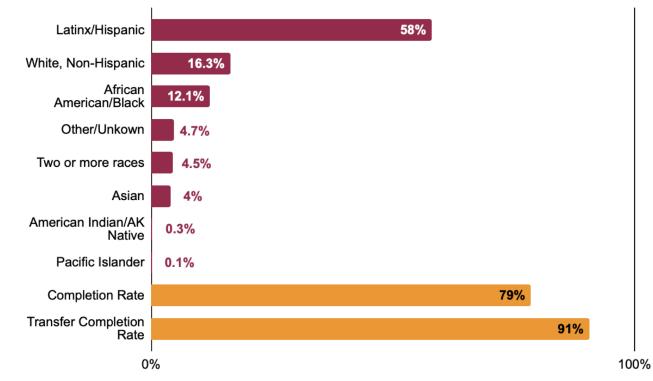
- Held the first class on September 10, 1929.
- The campus is located in Northern Los Angeles County in Lancaster, CA.
- Today AVC has a service area of 1,945 square miles.
- AVC employs more than 850 people





### **Antelope Valley College**

#### Fall 2020 Demographics:



#### Outreach





- •Outreach- K-12, Community •Dreamer Center
- Study Abroad
- International Students



#### **First Year Experience**



#### •Promise Program

•First Year

•Second Year

•AVID Coordinator





### **Student Equity**

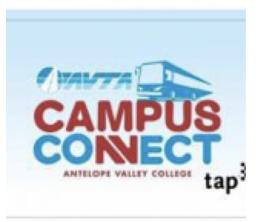
•Books H.E.L.P.

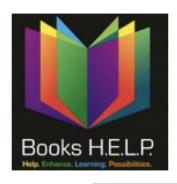
•Campus Connect Bus Pass AVTA & Kern County

•Umoja

•Focus 180

•Guardian Scholars











### **Special Populations**

 Guardian Scholars - Current & Former Foster Youths About 800 Students •Direct support – Partner with agency for food and direct funds •Focus 180 - Formerly Incarcerated - Partner with community passed organizations •Arches Homeless Services- wrap around services other than direct housing

#### **Financial Aid**



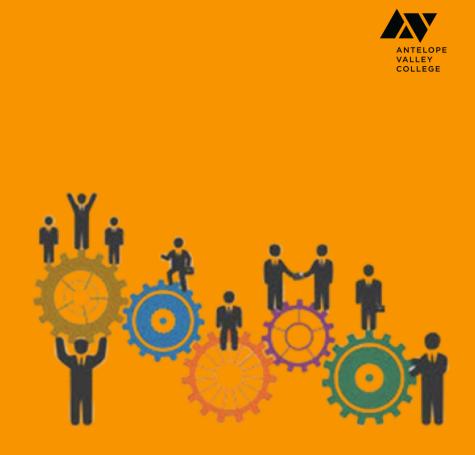




 Promise Grant •FAFSA-Pell Grant Scholarships •Loans •78% of our pop get some type of aid

#### **Job Placement**

 On Campus Student Workers •Off Campus Employment •Employer Support • Job Fairs Specialized Recruitment • Job Readiness & Skill Building •New World of Work •On & Off Campus Internships



#### ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

#### **Associated Student Organization (ASO)**

•Campus student government



- •Represents student voice on participatory governance committees
- •Benefits sticker (\$10) for community discounts
- •Print 40 pages for free at a WEPA kiosk
- •Student Representation Fee (\$2) affords ASO leadership the
- opportunity to represent the student body at state and national level
- •Voter registration Liaison/AB963 Coordinator



#### Inter Club Council (ICC)- Registered Student Clubs

- •AVC currently has 32 active clubs (pre COVID), 17 during COVID
- •Alpha lota is our Largest Club
- Music Production & United Artists for Social Change are our 2 newest clubs

#### **Student Activities Council (SAC)**

- •SAC holds about 50 events per year (pre COVID)
- •Student-run programming group of the Student Life Office
- •Funded by ASO

## **Veterans Resource Center**



- •VA education benefits
- •Educational Benefits for Dependents
- •DoD MOU Signed for Active Duty
- •Programs and events
- •Peer Mentor Program
- •MRE and other support programs







#### Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT)/CARE Team

- •Provide a safe <u>physical</u> environment for <u>members of the college community</u>
- •Provide a safe <u>emotional</u> environment for members of the college community
- •BIT/CARE Team handled about 60 cases per semester

#### **Interactive Screening Program-Suicide Prevention**

- •Created as an additional avenue of support for the students who are feeling overwhelmed and are thinking about suicide
- •The goal is to reach students proactively before a crisis emerges.
- •About 125 ISP/AVC Cares Questionnaires completed annually

### **Health Services**



Provides direct care to students for

- •Medical (Urgent Care and Telemedical through TimelyMD)
- •Mental Health (Teletalk through TimelyMD)
- •Dental (Voucher system)
- •Vision (Voucher System)
- •Health Education stress management, healthy lifestyles, cancer prevention, healthy eating, etc.
- •Provides online resources, Student Health 101, Kognito, suicide prevention

#### **Health Services**



•Healthy Monday - tips on staying healthy •What's on your Mind - weekly Zoom support program Meditation Monday - guided meditations by faculty •Breathe workshop - guided breathe workshop hosted by faculty •Professional speakers on managing stress, sucide prevention, managing change



#### **Community Partners**

- •Valley Oasis- Sexual Assault Supported 60 Students
- •Valley Oasis- Homeless Services
  - •65 Homeless Students Came in for Services in Fall 2019
- •Department of Children & Family Services (DCFS)
- •The People Concern
- •Penny Lane
- •Department of Mental Health
- •Neighborhood Legal of Los Angeles
- •AV Homeless Coalition
- •Children's Center





#### **Hearts & Hands Pantry**

- •Hungry Free Campus Funds \$93,000
- •About 135 students are fed with day bags prior to COVID
- •About 100 students receive weekly groceries prior to COVID
- •Donations are always accepted

#### **Marauder Student Market**

An average of 300 student served per market prior to COVID/ 120 during COVID
Held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, drive by in Lot 13





- •Grocery Cards
- •Laundry Cards
- •Dress for Success Clothing, Shoes & Accessories, Winter Coats
- •Hygiene and Welcome Kits
- •On Campus Showers
- •School Supplies
- •Textbook Rental program
- •Laptop and Hotspot Loan program



#### Housing

- •ARCHES Program provides academic support
- •HHIP Grant \$700,000 annually for 3 years
- •Feasibility Study The SCION Group
- •Shared Housing 3 houses owned by with all utilities paid by the City of
- Lancaster (2 male and 1 female home). Houses are completely furnished
- •Hotel Voucher, emergency housing and students with children
- •Family + 1, partnering with The People Concern
- Intensive Case Management partnering with Antelope Valley Partners for

#### Health



#### **Basic Needs Committee**

- •Working to address students' basic needs
- •Created a syllabus statement and communicated to faculty
- •Offer on and off campus resources and links for forms
- •Web page created under Campus Life
- •ASO Emergency Fund application and other applications
- Professional Development Presentations





#### **Campus Working Group Committee**

- •Created a syllabus statement to address students needs
- •Provided on campus and off campus resources
- •Designated Web Page
- Creating a safe and supportive environment
- Professional Development

# SOAR Early College High School



 Title I school with 75% students enrolled in free and reduced lunch Current Enrollment is 445 Students •Of the Graduating Class of 2020, **100% Graduated (96 Students)**  67% of those Students Received an **Associate's Degree** 





#### Commencement











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