

Impact of AS Programs and Services

Theme 1 – Changing Lives

Theme 2 – Making a Difference

Theme 3 – Meeting Needs

Theme 4 – Helping California Lead

Academic/Leadership Recognition (1)

The AS funds several scholarships for CSU Chico students that recognize academic achievement and leadership/community involvement. In addition, the AS has just created a Student Employee Rewards Program, for AS student employees who also perform well academically. The AS also co-sponsors the University Awards Reception that annually recognizes outstanding academic achievement, leadership, and contributions to student life.

Activity Fee Funded Programs (1 & 2)

The AS funds a variety of programs and services that enhance the campus/community environment. Most of these programs are offered to Chico State students at no or reduced costs. Programs include: Earth Month, Halloween/St. Patrick's Day alternative events, Rape Crisis Intervention, and multicultural programming (Dia de los Muertos, Multicultural Night, Kwaanza Celebration, Black History Month/Step Show, International Festival).

Children's Center (1 & 3)

The primary purpose of the Associated Students Children's Center is to provide low-cost quality child care and development services to the children of students, thereby enabling parents to attend CSUC. A further purpose is to serve as a lab site where students from related majors are able to enhance their educational experience and knowledge through hands-on experience, observation, testing, or research.

Community Action Volunteers in Education (CAVE) (2 & 4)

CAVE provides Chico State students with meaningful volunteer opportunities while serving a broad base of community needs. Student and community volunteers are offered over 20 programs to choose from that serve children, the elderly, special populations, adult non-readers, English as a Second Language learners, and low-income residents in the Chico area, as well as three state institutions in the Napa and Sonoma Valleys. Through structured service experiences, individuals learn about community needs and their role as a citizen in a democracy, while developing leadership skills and gaining hands-on experience.

Community Legal Information Center (CLIC) (2, 3 & 4)

The primary purpose of CLIC is to provide free legal information and assistance through its 12 programs to students, faculty, staff, Chico residents, and residents of the surrounding communities (CLIC is one of two low or no cost legal information service providers in Butte County). CLIC's mission is to educate the community about their rights and responsibilities as citizens, while allowing CSU, Chico students to help others, gaining academic and leadership skills. Programs include:

- Chico Consumer Protection Agency
- County Jail Law Project
- Disabled and the Law
- Environmental Advocates
- Family Law
- Housing Law
- Student Law Services/Juvenile Rights
- Penal Law
- Traffic Law
- Welfare Rights Organization
- Women's Law
- Worker's Rights Program

Environmental Affairs Committee (EAC) and Environmental Action and Resource Center (E-ARC) (2)

EAC raises and addresses issues related to the environment before the campus and community. E-ARC is an annually funded program that promotes educational advocacy, environmental programming, and is a clearinghouse for environmental and social issues while concurrently working as a hub for local, regional and global environmental networking. These two entities were instrumental in influencing the decision for the new Student Services Building to be LEED certified.

Government Affairs (3 & 4)

A variety of programs, events and services are coordinated by elected or appointed student officers and their active councils. Over 175 students are individually involved in direct application of real world experiences, including making funding decisions, programming, strategic planning, goal setting, budgeting, policy and procedure development, and personnel issues. In addition, students are appointed by the AS to sit on campus, community, and state-wide committees.

KCSC (3)

Since 1951, Chico State's student-owned and -operated college radio station has offered hands-on experience to any Chico State student who has an interest in radio. KCSC interns learn the fundamentals of radio operations through on-air experience, production, and promotion.

Student Shuttle Program (1)

Through a funding partnership with the University, Chico State students are able to ride free on the CATS bus system, providing affordable transportation for students.

Women's Center (2 & 4)

Since 1971, the goal of the Women's Center has been to work with students, student services, administrators, faculty and staff in order to address, evaluate, and educate on the current position of campus women, and indirectly, women in the broader community. Program offerings include: Take Back the Night, Women's Studies Conference, Breaking the Silence, Red Tent, and the Maggie Awards (a celebration of women leaders on campus and in the community).

Adventure Outings (2 & 4)

Adventure Outings is an outdoor recreation program that offers a co-curriculum focusing on specific skill sets for specialized sporting activities, outdoor leadership, and environmentally sound recreation practices, etc. Exposure to a variety of outdoor activities in a group setting emphasizes team building, personal empowerment, and environmental stewardship which can play an important role in protecting the natural resources of our community and its environs.

Currently a new Aquatics Center program is being developed which will potentially provide a vast array of recreational services/programs for a large geographical region. Recreational programming including classes, youth day camps, special events, sports festivals and competitions, etc. are being designed. Water sports including sailing, kayaking, skiing, windsurfing, rowing, swimming, etc. will be offered as well boating and water safety classes. Offering fun, safe, healthy recreational programming which cultivates an appreciation and concern for our community's natural resources adds immeasurably to the quality of life in the area.

Recycling (2, 4)

The primary purpose of the AS Recycling Program is to provide our campus with resource reduction, recycling, and compost collection services. The program advocates and supports the establishment of an education and informational infrastructure to facilitate current and future waste reduction program goals on campus and within the community. Students are provided the opportunity to actively participate in the educational process by designing and administering programs with an environmental foundation and ethic. Students integrate the ideas and practices of waste reduction into a unique learning experience.

Presents (1, 2)

Presents provides entertainment programming which includes guest speakers, outdoor concerts, comedians, music festivals, etc. A diversity of programming assures an exposure to a wide variety of talent/entertainment that embraces a multi-cultural perspective. Some events are free to the public and others are heavily subsidized which allows for affordable ticket prices on fixed student budgets.

BMU Computer Lab (1)

Our 42 PC station lab provides an alternative venue to often overcrowded campus labs. The lab provides specialized software that some students cannot afford on their PCs as well as scanning and color printing services. The lab has evening and limited weekend hours to provide accessibility for both resident and non-resident students. The availability of such labs is critical, especially for those students who cannot afford to own a personal computer.

Information Center (1)

Our campus Information Center offers a variety of services, but perhaps most germane to this assessment is the Rideshare service. Students looking for rides can match up with those willing to share a ride to make transportation costs more affordable for visits home or to other common destinations. A similar service is offered for items to sale or trade for students who are on tight budgets.

BMU 3rd Floor Art Gallery (2)

The Student Union's in-house art gallery provides students with the opportunity to mount an exhibit of their artwork in a professional setting which includes juried selection, the contract process, marketing the exhibit, an opening reception, etc. This opportunity is a natural enhancement to the students' formal art education process providing them with valuable experience and exposure as part of our art community.

Conference Services (1, 2)

Conference Services offers 15 meeting rooms and a large multi-purpose auditorium available for use by student organizations, the campus community, and the local community. Lectures, meetings, receptions, ceremonies, job fairs, seminars, and conferences are all managed through this department. Rooms are made available to recognized student organizations at no cost so that programming for co-curricular activities is affordable. Catering for any event is also available at competitive prices. The auditorium provides the largest indoor public venue in the community and hosts a variety of professional and cultural events.