North State ROOTS, Office of Civic Engagement (OCE)
Wednesday, April 20, 2022 Meeting Agenda

In attendance: Ann Schulte, Allegra Davis, Susan Scroth, Emilyn Sheffield, Philip James, Michael Kotar, Taylor McCabe-Juhnke, Katie Mercurio, Amy Magnus, Rachel McBride, Jessica Dietrich, Bertha Alicia Curiel, Dave Tanner, Kathy Garcia, Tatiana Ybarra, Enrique Galvan, Eva Shepard, Teckla Johnson, Courtney Farrell and Logan McAndrews

Announcements

- May Meeting canceled. We will resume in September! (Do you have a preferred/different day/time?)

Guests:

- Taylor McCabe-Juhnke, Director Rural Schools Collaborative.
  - Executive Director of Rural Schools Collaborative (2014/2015)
    - National nonprofit, support rural sustainable communities
    - Address deficit stereotype and highlight those dedicated to change and the power of narrative
    - True collaboration, being innovative and honest through storytelling
      - Advocacy and storytelling
      - Pedagogy and support for teachers
      - Philanthropy
      - Place-based
      - Regional hub structure:
        - [https://ruralschoolscollaborative.org/regional-hubs/california](https://ruralschoolscollaborative.org/regional-hubs/california)
        - Recent write ups: (with CLASS program): Interviews with 4 teachers at Red Bluff high school

- Jessica Dietrich, REACH Coordinator
  - [https://www.csuchico.edu/reach/index.shtml](https://www.csuchico.edu/reach/index.shtml)

Raising Educational Achievement in Collaborate hubs

- Support through high school and college
- Peer and Faculty mentor (Tatiana: How are students sought out/can apply?)
- Advising attention and getting to know students; make them feel supported
- Students are enrolled in a class to help them collect success skills and connected with the community
- Currently mostly made up of Southern California students but want to expand to North State students and be present in high schools
- Ricky this program offers companionship, camaraderie and ability to relate (first generation students)

Updates:
Freshman Yarely Contreras, Giving Back Home participant and McConnell Scholar, shares her civic contribution.

Outcomes of the First Five Tehama and Public Health student’s collaboration - video

Discussion:

- Goals for 2022-23 – how would you like to spend our meeting times next year? What can we offer you?
- Potential regional guests or speaker events (e.g. Ben Winchester)
- Emilyn: *Need support to get the word out* California College Corps
  - For Chico State students (Full-time, Undergrads, Fall 2022-Spring 2023):
    - $10,000 Fellowship for YOU to help Chico or your home community! 125 Fellowships for full-time, undergrads in AY22-23. Dreamers (AB 540 B) are eligible. Info at: https://linktr.ee/CC4A_Chico
  - Paired with mentor and organization
  - Poly Humboldt, Shasta College, College of the Siskiyous also have Fellow allocations.
  - Links to other California campuses (scroll to the bottom for links to schools):
    - https://www.californiavolunteers.ca.gov/californiansforall-college-corps-for-college-students/
  - For Graduate Students, Recent Grads or Gap Year Students interested in positive climate action: California Climate Action Corps apps open now for Fall 2022-Spring 2023. $37,000 service package.
    - Marketing: announcement flier, email to students
  - Also looking to create more support network for students, host partners

Additional Resources

- NPR: Native American economies in rural places. A new series running on the website Indian Country Today found that tribal businesses and governments are often the largest economic contributors in their regions, and this is especially true in rural areas. From health care to green energy, the profile of the Native economy goes far beyond casinos and fossil fuels.
- $43M for rural health care. On Wednesday, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced the establishment of a program under the American Rescue Plan it said would expand rural hospitals and providers’ access to COVID-19 vaccines, testing, and supplies, while helping rural health care providers stay financially solvent in the long-term.
- Thrive Rural Framework Overview. The Thrive Rural Framework is a new tool to help you take stock, target action, and gauge progress. This tool can spark new ways of thinking and acting to move communities, regions, and systems toward producing more widespread and equitable rural prosperity, health, and well-being.

Meetings are on Zoom.