



President's Communiqué

FROM THE DESK OF THUY THI NGUYEN

"You make a living by what you get; you make a life by what you give."
- Winston Churchill

Greetings Foothill,

I heard that Trump wants to deport all undocumented immigrants. If he does, will their children who were born here be deported as well? Or will he separate families and only take those undocumented?

If my mother is a U.S. resident, should she worry about deportation? Can they revoke her residency?

If I just turned 18, can I help my undocumented father become a resident/citizen?

Should I worry about getting deported if the police stop me and I am undocumented?

These were questions on our students' minds at the Immigration Panel last week. I made a special request to administrators to encourage their staff members who directly serve undocumented students to attend. Special thanks to Professors **Susie Huerta**, **Jose Nava**, and **Laurence Lew** for the impeccable cross-division coordination of the panel!

I tweeted some of the student feedback on the panel.



I am having fun following several faculty, staff, and programs on Twitter: **Kimberly Escamilla**, **Pauline Brown**, Foothill's Umoja program, the Physics Show, Foothill EOPS, Krause Center for Innovation (KCI), Foothill GID (Graphic & Interactive Design), FHDA Foundation, FHDA Police, Foothill Library, Student Trustee **Courtney Cooper**, **Dolores Davison**, **Judy Baker**, **Chris**

White, John Fox, etc. Here's a tweet from our EOPS Supervisor **April Henderson** who encouraged the EOPS students to attend the panel:



Time and time again, I notice the incredible love and concern faculty and staff have for our students and our college. Was roaming around the campus on Friday and saw these at various offices.



A recently published report found that homelessness and hunger are on the rise among community college students, particularly among African American and Southeast Asian students. Nearly half of Black collegiate men, for instance, face homelessness or other housing instabilities and nearly a quarter deal with hunger. (<http://diverseeducation.com/article/89897/>)

We don't need to go far to understand our students' needs. A quarter of our students at Foothill are from families living below the poverty line (i.e. \$25,000 annual family income). Thank you to ASFC and our Student Activities team, including Dean **Thom Shepard**, **Katherine Fortune**, **Erin Ortiz**, **Kamara Tramble**, and **Daphne Small** (and **Laura Woodworth** from the Foundation) for working with Second Harvest to stock our food pantry which is getting steady traffic.

Please let students know about the food pantry!

Our Bookstore is also doing a food drive to benefit our food pantry through this Friday, December 09. Be sure to stop by the store and drop off your non-perishable food items!



Please also take the time to stop by our [Foothill Holiday Party](#). This Friday, December 09 from 11 am – 1 pm in the Hearthside Lounge.



Our planning team has cooked up a photo booth, ugly sweater contest, and bake off! My office is providing the main course, but everyone else is encouraged to sign-up for the potluck. If possible, please bring a new (or gently used) book for the Foster Youth Drive for Santa Clara County.

Of Service,

Handwritten signature of Thuy Thi Nguyen.

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