







# THREE-YEAR REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



**Every Student** is a
Success Story

2011-2014



# **Accreditation Update**

hen the El Camino Community College District and the Compton Community College District entered into a Partnership Agreement in 2006, the primary objective was to provide quality educational programs and services for student success.

Both Districts are fully committed to obtaining independent accreditation for El Camino College Compton Center, moving forward in this endeavor in accordance with the goals set forth in A.B. 318 and through the Partnership Agreement.

The first phase of the process to accreditation has begun. Through the Accreditation Steering Committee, the ECC Compton Center eligibility application process is moving forward. The next step is the submission of the eligibility application and supporting documentation to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, planned for 2014.

"ECC Compton Center has greatly influenced my critical thinking skills, provided me with an outstanding education, and has inspired me."

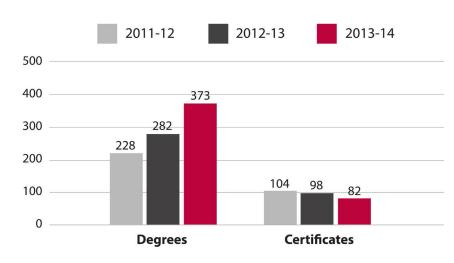
— Albino Celis, Jr. (Paramount High School) 2014 El Camino College Compton Center graduate, 2013 Presidential Scholar; business administration and law major will transfer to California State University, Dominguez Hills this fall

### **Awards and Honors**

#### **More Students Earning Degrees & Certificates**

rom 2011 to 2014, more than 850 El Camino College Compton Center students graduated with an associate degree, and more than 250 students earned certificates through Career and Technical Education Division programs.

#### **DEGREES & CERTIFICATES AWARDED**



ECC Compton Center continues to see an increase in the number of degrees and certificates awarded. From 2012-13 to 2013-14, the number of degrees and certificates awarded increased by nearly 20%.

"At El Camino College Compton Center, classes are easy to get, students are friendly, and the instructors are student-oriented. There is always a faculty member ready to help you, and the transfer services are excellent."

 Angela Hurtado (Lynwood High School)
 2014 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; will transfer to UC Berkeley this fall



### **Student Success**

#### **Scholarships Awarded**

In the last three years, more than 100 El Camino College Compton Center students received a total of \$93,000 in scholarships.

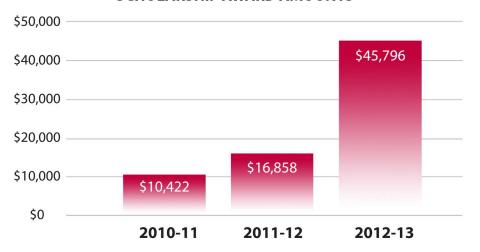


Through financial aid programs and an ongoing awareness campaign, ECC Compton Center has expanded financial support for students.



El Camino College Compton Center's 2014 Academic Awards Tea recognized the academic achievements of 19 honor students, two Presidential Scholars, six Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor and Scholarship Society students, and 27 scholarship recipients. Scholarships awarded by both ECC Compton Center and the Foundation for the Compton Community College District totaled \$26,000.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARD AMOUNTS**





"I really liked the family vibe at El Camino College Compton Center. The faculty and staff actually want you to succeed and

> — Michael Daugherty (Centennial High School) 2014 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; will transfer to Wiley College (Marshall, Texas) this fall on a basketball scholarship

The top CSU destinations for 2012-13 were Dominguez Hills and Long Beach. The top University of California destinations for ECC Compton Center students are UCLA and UCI.

### **Transfer Students**

n 2013, 518 students transferred to a four-year college or university. For the California State University system, transfer students increased from 227 in 2011 to 344 in 2013, while 59 students transferred to a University of California campus and 115 transferred to private/ out-of-state colleges and universities. Over the past three years, ECC Compton Center increased the number of UC and CSU transfers by more than 150%.



El Camino College Compton Center graduates Jennie Rubio and Justin Medrano at the 2014 Commencement ceremony.

"ECC Compton Center has a smaller, peaceful campus where the professors are very helpful in guiding students to meet their educational goals."

 Michelle Aguilar (Compton High School) 2013 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; transferred to UCLA



## **New and Expanded Programs**

o ensure that community residents have access to a quality education, many existing student support programs expanded and others were created in the past three years.

"While assessment tests placed me high in English, I ranked low in math. I went from being unable to do simple division to earning straight A's in all my math classes including statistics, thanks to Supplemental Instruction peer-led tutoring."

Tywanna Davis (Compton resident)
 2014 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; psychology major will transfer to California State University, Dominguez Hills this fall

#### Some academic programs initiated or expanded in the last three years:

- First Year Experience
- Career Advancement Academy / Career and Technical Education
- Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Program
- Library Student Success Center
- Supplemental Instruction/Student-led Tutoring
- Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS) Honor and Scholarship Society
- Debate Team
- Brother 2 Brother Mentoring
- Honors Transfer Classes
- Upward Bound Math and Science Program
- Low-Cost State Preschool offered at Child Development Center
- Transfer Pathways Commitment with CSU San Diego and CSU Dominguez Hills
- Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success (YESS) Program for Foster Youth
- Tartar Athletics: Addition of Women's Softball and Soccer

The Upward Bound Math & Science Program helps high school students in math and science and encourages them to pursue degrees and careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). Eleven of the students who completed the 2013-14 program were admitted to UC and CSU campuses for fall 2014.

#### **FYE Program Expands**

The highly successful First Year Experience (FYE) Program connects first-time college students with "learning communities," where students have a support base, can collaborate, and learn skills to ensure success at ECC Compton Center.

The FYE program at ECC Compton Center is serving more students than ever before. For the 2013-14 academic year, FYE expanded to five learning communities, marking significant growth from the one learning community available when the program was established in 2009. With 150 students enrolled for 2013-14, the FYE program has served more than 600 ECC Compton Center students.

#### **Brother 2 Brother Mentoring**

In an effort to improve persistence and completion rates among African-American and Hispanic males in its student population, ECC Compton Center established an all-male learning community in the First Year Experience Program during the fall 2013 semester. The inclusion of an all-male learning community is an extension of the Brother 2 Brother Mentoring organization established at ECC Compton Center. Brother 2 Brother is a peer-to-peer, minority enrichment mentoring program for male students.



"The First Year Experience program has amazing teachers and counselors. One instructor helped build my confidence as a student by working with me to identify my strengths."

 Kymberlee Wallace (Compton High School)
 2014 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; sociology major will transfer to UC Riverside this fall

#### **New Faculty Hired**

Since fall 2011, 37 new full-time instructors have joined the ECC Compton Center faculty. These include a First Year Experience Program coordinator/counselor, a learning disabilities specialist and counselor, and an instructional specialist for the Student Success Center.

A significant number of classes have been added at ECC Compton Center in an effort to assist students who are working to transfer to a university or completing the training for a career. In 2013-14, 1,396 class sections were offered, an increase of 9% from 2012-13.

# Facilities Report

#### **Library-Student Success Center Grand Opening**



Compton Community College District CEO, Keith Curry, welcomes students, faculty, staff and community members at the April 15 Library-Student Success Center grand opening ceremony.

he recent grand opening of the new Library-Student Success Center celebrated the addition of a new building on campus, and became a symbol of the significant progress that has been made in the past few years.

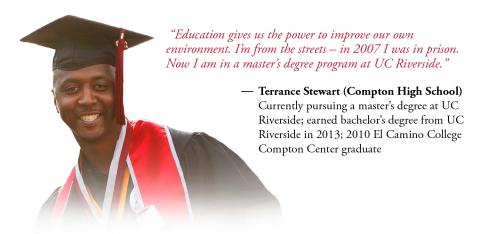
The 45,000-square-foot, two-story building features floor-to-ceiling windows, four tutorial centers, an art gallery, group study rooms, and a computer lab. The Library-Student Success Center provides a focal point for campus life, and was built to sustain energy conservation. Construction of the \$25 million Library-Student Success Center was made possible by the 2002 Measure CC general obligation bond and State Capital Outlay funds.





#### Additional projects completed or in progress in the last three years:

- <u>Central Plant:</u> supplies cooling for most buildings, while reducing energy costs by \$220,000 annually.
  - Completed: December 2013
- <u>Main north/south access road</u>: a majority of the parking lots were repayed and upgraded, along with the main roads through campus. <u>Completed</u>: <u>December 2013</u>
- Allied Health Building: construction on a new \$12 million, state-of-theart Allied Health Building began in June 2014.
   Scheduled completion: Fall 2015
- Two new instructional buildings: designed to replace the current "Row Buildings," this project is supported in part with state funds. Additional funds and support will be needed from the community. Scheduled completion: Fall 2015



# Connecting with the Community

o fulfill the Compton Community College District's (CCCD) promise to enhance and expand community engagement, CCCD CEO Keith Curry and Vice President of ECC Compton Center Barbara Perez conduct regular Community Roundtable discussions. They continue to meet and talk with groups and organizations throughout the District, as well as with local, state and federal elected officials. The "Community Roundtable" offers an opportunity to meet with District residents and present the latest information regarding the Compton District.

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### **Get Informed!**

any lines of communication have been established to support the work of the partnership between the El Camino and Compton community college districts, and to inform the community of accomplishments.

- Community newsletters
- Postcards
- Class schedules
- Websites

- News releases
- Online social networks
- Mobile website
- Campus newsletters



ECC Compton Center has been honored with several awards from the statewide Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO) and the National Council for Marketing & Public Relations (NCMPR) for its efforts in communicating the news and accomplishments happening on campus.

#### Stay Connected with El Camino College Compton Center









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