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## District Students Win AvenueE Scholarly Award

Six students representing Contra Costa College (CCC), Diablo Valley College (DVC) and Los Medanos College (LMC) have been selected to receive the University of California (UC), Davis AvenueE Scholarly Award. The six students, Chanthary Soth (DVC), Elhan Hernandez (CCC), Hajer Ghaus (LMC), John Chin-jew (LMC), Lucas Silva (CCC) and Lucy Bocanegra (CCC) will each receive \$1,000 for tuition, books, or other educational expenses.

AvenueE is a scholarly program developed by the UC Davis Office of the Provost and Chevron in partnership with the Los Rios, Peralta, San Joaquin Delta, and Contra Costa community college districts. The program is designed to provide a smooth transition from community college to UC Davis for students interested in engineering or computer science. In order to be eligible for the award, students must meet the minimum Engineering Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) GPA requirements and possess a demonstrated commitment or potential for leadership to positively impact the elimination of barriers facing underrepresented groups in computer science and engineering careers and/or be from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree. Eligible students can participate in the AvenueE program for two years at their community college and then two years upon transfer to UC Davis if they are selected to continue in the cohort.

The six students selected have been actively engaged in the program, attended information sessions, program sponsored events, submitted and met all other requirements. While the award reflects the students' commitment and engagement in the AvenueE program thus far, it does not in any way guarantee admission to UC Davis or indicate placement in the Davis cohort. To learn more about AvenueE, please visit <http://avenuee.ucdavis.edu/c4d/>.



## Los Medanos College Displays Famous AIDS Memorial Quilt

Through the research and assistance of Student Life and the Library, Los Medanos College (LMC) was selected to display the famous NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt (Quilt) on the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its creation, from November 27 – December 1, 2017.

The Quilt display is part of a larger campaign led by Student Life to raise awareness and promote sexual health. Coupled with the display, the Contra Costa County Health Department visited the campus to provide free and confidential HIV/HEP C testing to the campus community. They also provided education and resources to students, faculty, and staff.

LMC Director of Student Life, **Teresea Archaga** played an integral role in acquiring the Quilt and believed the display would serve as an educational resource for students who were too young to remember the history of the AIDS epidemic. “Students responded very well to the quilt display,” said Archaga.

The Quilt was created in June of 1987 when a group of strangers gathered in San Francisco to create a memorial for those who died of AIDS.

To learn more about the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, please visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8wmqexVJBo&feature=youtu.be>.



The Quilt encompasses 48,000 individual 3-by-6-foot memorial panels sewn together by friends, lovers and family members who have lost someone to AIDS.



## District Welcomes New Employees

Please welcome the following new employees who were approved by the Governing Board in November.

### Regular Supervisors

Location	Name	Title
LMC	Dave Vigo	Business Services Supervisor

### Regular Managers

Location	Name	Title
DVC	Maitreyee Chandra	Program Manager

### Regular Monthly Classified Employees

Location	Name	Title
CCC	Mark Biles	Building Maintenance Worker
CCC	Isabel Bonilla	Account Clerk
CCC	Kathleen Weinstein	Assessment Center Technician

### Board Report

To review highlights of the Governing Board Meeting held on December 14, 2017, click on the link below:

[http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board\\_reports/December%2014,%202017.pdf](http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board_reports/December%2014,%202017.pdf)

### Cabinet Highlights

To review highlights of the Cabinet meetings held in December 2017, click on the link below:

[http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/chancellors\\_cabinet/December%202017.pdf](http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/chancellors_cabinet/December%202017.pdf)

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