

# EPIC PROGRAM

## SERVING THE COMMUNITY

ASI FINANCE COMMITTEE

March 3, 2023





EPIC IS A program in which all students have pathways leading to community engaged activities that advance equity and justice in Los Angeles communities.



# WHAT WE DO

**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENTS**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGED STUDENT  
EMPLOYMENT & LEADERSHIP**

# Students Benefit from Community Engagement

- Provides a Sense of Purpose
- Builds a Sense of Community
- Increases Social & Relationship Skills
- Career Related Networking Development
- Gain Valuable Job Skills
- Opportunity to Practice Classroom Learning in Real-World Settings



# EPIC HIGHLIGHTS 2022-2023



# STUDENT STORY



Melanie Guzman

"WHAT MADE ME PICK THIS PROGRAM WAS THAT IT OFFERED MANY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES I COULD PARTAKE IN BESIDES BEING IN THE CLASSROOM."

"IN THE FALL OF 2022, I VOLUNTEERED AT A PLACE CALLED THE PUENTE LEARNING CENTER. ALTHOUGH MY TIME THERE WAS SHORT, I LEARN HOW TO DO SO MANY THINGS THAT I FEEL I CAN APPLY TO MY CAREER. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE DIFFERENT AREAS AND HELP THE PROGRAM GROW STRONGER."



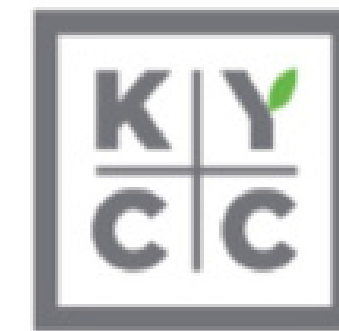
# STUDENT STORY



-Jesus Rodriguez

"TO ME IT BECAME A PLACE WHERE I CAN FINALLY GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY WHERE I WAS BORN AND RAISED. TO BE ABLE TO HELP MY NEIGHBORS, MOST OF WHICH LIVE WITHIN MY REACH, KNOWING THAT THERE WAS A PLACE WHERE MY SERVICES DIRECTLY IMPACTED MY HOME MADE IT ALL MORE IMPORTANT TO ME."

"VOLUNTEERING WITH KYCC WAS A GREAT PLEASURE AND VERY ENJOYABLE WHICH LATER THEN HELPED ME TO PURSUE AN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY HERE IN KYCC."



KOREATOWN YOUTH+  
COMMUNITY CENTER



# STUDENT STORY



Dilia Martinez

"I WOULD HELP WITH CHILD CARE. I WOULD SPEND TIME WITH THE CHILDREN AND TALK TO THE PARENTS SOMETIMES. I ALSO HELP WITH THE FIRST HARVEST FEST WHICH WAS AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE TO BE IN COMMUNITY WITH THE PEOPLE THAT ARE IN THE ORGANIZATION AND THE PEOPLE THEY SERVICE."

"WITH DOOR OF HOPE I GOT TO UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANT FOR CHILD CARE WHEN IT COMES TO PARENTS NEEDING HELP AND HOW EFFECTIVE IT IS TO THE CHILDREN THERE. I LEARNED HOW TO HELP FAMILIES AND SAW WHAT IT TAKES TO RUN A CHILD CARE WHICH WILL HELP MY FUTURE CAREER OF BEING A TEACHER."



# CONNECT WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

Looking For a Community Engagement Experience?

## EAGLE CONNECT

can link you to community-based opportunities that build on your knowledge and experience.

### REGISTER ON EAGLE CONNECT TO:

- search opportunities
- learn about community partners
- track your community engagement activities
- receive news and updates

Go to our online portal to register and check out the guides to help you every step of the way.



Write a very brief description of what your organization or nonprofit does

here. There will be an opportunity to

<https://www.volunteereasy.com/Site/eagleconnect#/>

- More than 600 Students Registered
- More than 100 Community Partners Registered

# Cal State LA Gives Back Day of Service

Friday, April 28, 2023

9 AM – 2 PM



APLA Health's Necessities of Life Program (NOLP) is a food pantry for individuals in Los Angeles County who are living with HIV/AIDS. Volunteers will participate in packing a variety of grocery bags that will then be transported and distributed by our staff at our largest food pantry location in Koreatown. For more information on our program please visit:

<https://aplahealth.org/services/nolp-food-pantries-nutrition/>

Transportation is provided. Space is limited, secure your spot today!

Sign up by April 14, 2023



EPIC PROGRAM

# INTERESTED IN RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS?

Join EPIC's Student Ambassador program to help your organization participate in peer-to-peer volunteer outreach to meet your organization's goals and boost visibility throughout campus! We are looking to collaborate with our campus partners who are interested in recruiting student volunteers.



Tabling Schedule:  
**February 27 - May 5**  
Monday - Thursday  
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

## EPIC will provide:

- Campus outreach training and tabling material resources to Student Program Ambassadors
- On-campus tabling reservations, coordinated by EPIC



JOIN US

To register please visit:  
<https://tinyurl.com/EPICVORSATrainingRSVP>

## Community Partnership Development Opportunity

### VOLUNTEER OUTREACH & RECRUITMENT STUDENT AMBASSADOR TABLING PROGRAM

INTERESTED IN RECRUITING CAL STATE LA STUDENT VOLUNTEERS?

DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION HAVE SPRING SEMESTER VOLUNTEER  
OPPORTUNITIES?

Join our Student Ambassador program to participate in peer-to-peer volunteer outreach. Through Cal State LA on-campus tabling efforts, a Student Ambassador can help lead your organization's volunteer recruitment campaign. We are looking to collaborate with five organizations that are interested in registering one student volunteer for the Student Ambassador position.

# Community Engagement with Local Elementary Schools

## Letter of Hope

Get involved by writing a letter to one of our elementary school students! Imagine the smile and inspiration you can bring to a child through your empowering words of encouragement.



Submit here!



## Building Bridges and Connections

Join us as we connect our local elementary school students in workshops that help them set educational goals, improve their well-being, and expose them to college role models!



Sign up here!







## Campus Community Engagement

- Invites more than 350 children to Cal State LA
- Engages more than 150 Cal State LA students, faculty & staff



# VOLUNTEER & INTERNSHIP FIAR

EPIC ON THE MAIN WALKWAY  
is hosting 15 partner non-profit organizations  
for our spring fair. Meet organization  
representatives and find a community service  
site that fits with your community engagement  
objectives.

**APRIL 20, 2023**  
**10AM - 2PM**

