









STUDENT PANTRY

Due to campus closures, the Veterans Center is not providing free food to students. For a list of free food in your area, please click here. To find free diapers, please click here.

CALCULATOR PROGRAM

If you currently have a calculator out on loan from the Veterans Center, collection has been suspended until further notice. No holds will be placed on student accounts for our loan program while the campus is closed.

BOOK LOAN PROGRAM

If you currently have a book out on loan from the Veterans Center, collection has been suspended until further notice. No holds will be placed on student accounts for our book program while the campus is closed.

COVID-19 UPDATE

CUYAMACA COLLEGE will remain with a virtual format of classes through the Summer Session. Classes will remain online, with a reduced schedule. Cuyamaca College continues to monitor and respond to the worldwide spread of the coronoavirus (COVID-19). For more information, please see our virtual campus page. For information regarding the information we have regarding your VA Education benefit, please see below on page 3. Stay safe everyone!



ACADEMIC COUNSELING

TRANSFER UPDATE

COVID-19 Impacts on CSU Undergraduate Admissions Policies and Practices. The California State University (CSU) system is taking all necessary steps to mitigate the disruptions caused by COVID-19 while ensuring the health and safety for our students, faculty, staff and communities. With the COVID-19 pandemic it has become necessary to adjust some CSU admission requirements and prior guidance to incoming students for fall 2020 and beyond. The CSU system is prepared to exercise flexibility and accommodation when working with our educational partners and fall 2020 applicants in meeting admission requirements and the subsequent steps toward enrollment. Please contact our counselors should you have any questions or concerns.

e-Advising



Cuyamaca's e-Advising provides students with the ability to ask quick questions that do not require in person appointments. You will need your student ID# to submit a question, click on the banner above or visit https://cuyamaca.edu/services/veterans/vets-staff.aspx to submit your question. These questions can include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Transfer
- Course Planning
- Probation or Dismissal
- Graduation
- Petitions & Academic Renewal
- Questions about other veteran-related services? Ask us here too!

VIRTUAL DROP-INS

If you would like to sign-in to see a counselor for 10-15 minutes, please click here, see the availability of the counselor, click the appropriate hour and enter the Zoom waiting room; the counselor will be with you shortly after that. These are not scheduled appointments, these are drop-ins so you need to enter the room during the hour you are selecting, the same way you would see a counselor as a drop-in when on campus. You cannot pre-schedule these appointments.

APPOINTMENTS

If you have any questions about your student educational plan and would like to schedule a 60 minute appointment with a veteran's counselor, please click here to schedule. Once you schedule your appointment, you will be emailed a ZOOM URL/Link to join the meeting online. New appointments are added every week day up to 15 days in advance, if you don't see an available appointment check back the next week day or connect with us via e-Advising

VA EDUCATION BENEFITS

Summer and Fall Enrollment Certification - The Cuyamaca Veterans Center is still working diligently to find a solution that will work for our students. We are still waiting for an advisory memo from the California Community Colleges Chancellors Office in regards to summer and fall enrollment certifications for MHA.

For information, instructions and forms to use VA Educational Benefits follow this link.

EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND

For students who are experiencing a financial emergency due to COVID-19, please click <u>here</u> to apply for an emergency grant.

Receive a \$500 grant. Grant is not a part of you Financial Aid or your VA Benefit. Eligibility: Current Cuyamaca student who has not previously received the grant from either Cuyamaca College OR Grossmont College.

MILITARY HEROES FUND

The Military Heroes Fund emergency financial assistance program offers financial assistance for wounded, ill, and injured post 9-11 combat veterans who are experiencing an unexpected short term (1-3 months) financial setback. The grant amount cannot exceed the equivalent of three months of delinquent payment. The Foundation can only support one emergency financial request per household. Click here for eligibility and application.





DAV EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Foundation can only support one emergency financial request per household. All bills must be no more than 90 days past due to qualify. Rent, Mortgage, Auto Loan/Lease, Utilities (Electric, Water, Heat). All applications must be submitted through a DAV Service Officer. Click here for more information.

WOMEN WARRIOR FOUNDATION

Warrior Assistance gives women veterans the urgent and critical relief they need to navigate life's obstacles, prevent homelessness, make successful life transitions, and serves as a safety net when unforeseen necessary expenses or events place women veterans and their children at risk for falling into (or back into) homelessness. Warrior Assistance grants may be used to cover rent, utilities, car registration, car repairs, or other necessities. Click here to apply.



JOB BOARD



The Veterans Employment Committee of San Diego with the San Diego Workforce Partnership virtual Job Fair **June 17th**, AM Session 8:00am - 12:30pm, PM Session 1:00pm - 5:00pm Click <u>here</u> to register



Southern California Virtual Career Fair for the Military Community **June 18th**, 11:00am - 3:00pm Click <u>here</u> to register



South Bay Virtual "Career Pathways to Success" Job Fair **July 16th**, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm via Zoom Click <u>here</u> to register



San Diego Veteran Virtual Career Fair, hosted by Hire GI **July 23rd**, 11:00am - 2:00pm Click <u>here</u> to register



San Diego Union Tribune Virtual Job Fair **July 23rd**, 10:00am - 1:00pm Click <u>here</u> to register



Employment Development Department (EDD) is hosting a mass hiring effort for Employment Program Representatives. For more information or to apply, click here



ACE Hardware is hiring veterans! Click here for more information

YOUR BILLS DURING COVID-19

To help San Diego residents who are experiencing financial hardships due to COVID-19 pandemic, the San Diego City Council on March 25, 2020, adopted a temporary ban on evictions in the City of San Diego related to COVID-19. This means that landlords cannot take action to evict a tenant for not paying rent that was due on or after March 12, 2020, if the tenant is not able to pay because of the financial effects of COVID-19. The temporary ban on evictions has been extended until June 30th. For more information please visit here.





SDG&E knows that our customers' lives and income have been affected by this public health crisis. For that reason, SDG&E will not shut off service to customers with unpaid bills until further notice. For more information, please click here.

As of March 18, 2020, Helix Water District has temporarily suspend late fees and water shutoffs for nonpayment in an effort to support customers during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, effective March 19 and until further notice. Outstanding balances for accounts that run past the disconnection date will be due once temporary suspension expires. Customers who are experiencing difficulties paying their water bills due to the pandemic are encouraged to contact the district's customer service team at 619-466-0585 to make payment arrangements. Click here for more information.





San Diego Water Authority is suspending shut-off's for nonpayment, late fees, or interests until further notice. or interests. You are encouraged to pay to the extent that you are capable. For more information dial (619) 515-3500.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS!



Summer Session will begin June 22.



We will be conducting a survey surrounding needs of students and effectiveness of services. All participants will have a chance to win a \$20 gift card to Wal-Mart. Please check your email soon for the link.



Hours of operation for all campus staff have shifted for the summer session to Monday-Thursday, 8:00am - 6:00pm, beginning June 1st and ending July 31st.



Fall 2020 registration will begin June 29th.



Summer session ends on July 30th.

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