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# OCC to Receive Leadership Award for Commitment to Advancing Green Building

range Coast College has been named a 2019 Leadership Award recipient by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). OCC joins 19 organizations and individuals who are using green building and sustainable practices to improve quality of life for those around them. This year's recipients will be recognized at the USGBC Leadership Awards Ceremony taking place on Wednesday, Nov. 20, during the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo.

"Our Leadership Award recipients remind us that taking action – big or small – has the power to change lives and promote a higher living standard for us all," said Mahesh Ramanujam, president and CEO of USGBC. "Each of these awardees made commitments to improve our world through the power of green building. Their actions are an inspiration and show us that our collective e orts can lead to meaningful change that moves us closer to our vision of buildings, communities and cities that regenerate and sustain the health and vitality of all life."

In July of this year OCC's Recycling Center became the rst facility in the world to achieve the three largest green building certi cations, LEED Gold, Sustainable SITES Initiative v2, and TRUE Zero Waste, the process for which was mostly student led. In addition to meeting strict green building standards, the new Recycling Center includes planter beds, composting containers, and showers that encourage employees to commute by bicycle.

OCC celebrates a long history of environmental stewardship, both on campus and throughout the community, including installation of solar panels in parking lots, water bottle Iling stations, green and food waste programs, electric charging stations, drought tolerant landscaping, bicycle repair stations, and energy e cient lighting.

"Sustainability is not something [OCC does], it's who we are. It's the fabric of this institution," says Environmental Sustainability Coordinator Mike Carey. "It's incredibly humbling to be recognized with some of the other recipients that are getting this award."

Orange Coast College President Angelica Suarez echoes this sentiment. "OCC is honored to be

## Calendar

- Nov. 8–10 Love's Lab Lost Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 9 'Great & Rare Works' OCC Symphony Robert B. Moore Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 12— Women's Soccer vs Santiago Canyon LeBard Stadium, 3 p.m.
- Nov. 14— Men's Basketball vs Moorpark Peterson Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
- Nov. 15 Flu Shot Clinic Student Health Center, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
- Nov. 15 & 16 Love's Labour's Lost
  Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 16 Fall Choral Vocal Showcase
  Robert B. Moore Theatre,
  7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 17 Love's Labour's Lost Drama Lab Theatre, 2:30 p.m.
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- Nov. 20 Piano Masterclass

recognized for its sustainable practices" she says. "I want to thank Mike and the students who worked with him to achieve these certi cations, as well as the many college partners who have contributed to making this recognition possible."

The 2019 Leadership Award recipients represent some of the best of USGBC's nearly 10,000 member organizations, a network of committed professionals with more than 204,800 LEED credentials and community of local leaders across the United States and throughout the world. With more than 99,800 commercial projects and more than 159 cities and communities currently participating in LEED, space in all 50 states and 176 countries and territories, the e orts of the award recipients stand out as exceptional examples of sustainability leadership among a strong and growing network of projects, companies and individuals.

OCC Recognized by Constitutional Rights Foundation of OC for Career Forum

orange Coast College received the "Community Partner of the Year" award at the Constitutional Rights Foundation of Orange County annual awards dinner on Oct. 29 in recognition of a high school outreach event the College co-sponsors with CRF-OC.

Each spring, OCC co-sponsors a "Career Forum" on campus that provides an opportunity for approximately 1,000 high school students to learn about career opportunities/ options they can pursue through seminars sta ed by current professionals in the eld as well as OCC faculty. Many of these seminars are linked to speci c certi cate programs o ered on OCC's campus, with faculty and alumni as speakers.

Many of the students come from underserved backgrounds, including from the juvenile justice system, foster youth system, homelessness, and more.

OCC's Student Equity program provides the funding for lunch for the students and bus scholarships to ensure they have transportation to campus. The College's Student Services o ces also provide a "resource fair" during lunchtime to connect with the students on applying, nancial aid, EOPS, Guardian Scholars, etc.

OCC President, Dr. Angelica Suarez, was on hand to receive the award from CRF-OC Secretary of the Board Eric Pezold, Esq.

STEM Night Brings Thousands of School-Aged Children to OCC for Night of Family Fun

will include the Chicano/Latino experience in higher education, ethnic groups in the United States and an overview of the American government. Students will bene t from their shared experience and support from their peers and instructors. For more information, contact counselor Eric Cuellar a t ecuellar@oc c.cccd.edu

#### Thanksgiving Catering Orders Due by Nov. 20 for Pick-Up Nov. 27

range Coast College's food services area can make your Thanksgiving holiday delicious with pre-cooked turkeys and hams, stu ng, pies, mashed potatoes and more, but you need to place your order by

#### Classi ed Senate Halloween Decorating Contest Draws Enthusiastic Participation

CC's Classi ed Senate organized its annual Halloween Decorating contest on Thursday, Oct. 31, with a spirited response from employees across campus. This year's rst place prize went to the Human Resources department, which created an Alice in Wonderland theme complete with a tea party. Second place went to the Scholarship and Marketing and Public Relations o ces, who combined forces to create a murder mystery "Who Killed Pete the Pirate" theme.

Other o ce themes included "The Jungle" in the College's Counseling o ces, "Monster's Inc. - We Scare Because We Care" at the OCC Children's Center, "Witches" in Financial Aid, The Nightmare Before Guided Pathways" in Student Equity.

The winners will receive a fully catered pizza party and gourmet donuts and a co ee bar for rst and second place, respectively.

### CLEEO, Social Sciences Roll Out Learning Cohort

CC's Counseling Latin@s for Equity and Engagement (CLEEO) Project and the College's Social Sciences Division are launching a learning cohort in Spring 2020 that will center on race, ethnicity and equity in America.

The cohort will bring together a group of students to enroll in the same cluster of classes that include counseling, ethnic studies, anthropology and political science courses. Curriculum

Wednesday, Nov. 20.

In addition to its annual baked goods sale, OCC's catering service can cook up your entire Thanksgiving feast, whether you want all the xings or just a turkey or a ham. Home-style biscuits or dinner rolls are \$6 a dozen, and corn bread that serves six to eight persons also is \$6. Hand-crafted pies are \$14 each (or \$17 for pecan pie), plus a \$2 refundable deposit for each pie tin. Pies include double crust apple, pumpkin, pecan, lemon meringue, and chocolate satin.

Quick breads also are on the menu for \$7 per loaf: options include banana nut, pumpkin chocolate swirl, cranberry orange walnut, lemon poppy seed or cinnamon spice with streusel topping.

If you want to leave all of the cooking to OCC Catering, order a turkey feast that will serve 6–8 guests for \$145. The feast includes a whole roasted turkey and all of the trimmings, including a gorgonzola pecan and eld greens salad, fresh mashed potatoes, chef's vegetables, turkey gravy, portabella sage stu ng, cranberry chutney, re-roasted yams and a whole pumpkin pie.

You can also opt for a roast turkey feast with a spiral ham for \$185.

Order individual turkeys for \$60 or a bone-in spiral ham for \$50.

Feasts can be picked up hot or ready to re-heat (three hours). Order forms can be picked up in OCC's Student Center, at the Cafeteria cashier counter.

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