



Newsletter **SPRING 2024**



Support from Application to Graduation

Reaching out for assistance can make your college experience easier. CalWORKs students are encouraged to explore the resources, services and support groups available to you.

We look forward to serving you!

Call:

(951) 571-6154

Office:

Humanities Building, Second Floor, Room 223A

Virtual:

Webpage: <u>mvc.edu/calworks</u> Zoom meeting ID: 95065168618

Hours:

Monday - Thursday, 8 am - 4:30 pm

Friday, 8 am - Noon

Services We Offer

- Financial aid, academic, personal, and career counselina
- Student Education Plans
- Priority registration
- Computer lab with internet & printing
- Career pathway planning
- Assistance with resume, cover letters and interviewing
- Educational and occupational assessments
- Referrals to campus and community resources



Career Exploration Events

The CalWORKs program honor's National Professional Social Work Month. Career Spotlight on Social Work, took place on March 19, 2024, with the theme "From MVC to MSW." This event featured six former MVC students sharing their journeys towards achieving their academic goal of MSW and pursuing careers as professional social workers. Notable attendees included:

- BSW students Lily Grijalva and Carlton Barstow, currently interning as CARE Navigators at the Wellness Center with the Basic Needs and at CSUSB.
- Sandra Davis, an MSW student at Loma Linda University, and therapy intern at Kaiser Permanente in Riverside.
- Ashley Bond, ACSW, MSW an investigative social worker for Riverside
 County Adult Protective Services, Kyla (Burdette) Montgomery, BSW, ACSW,
 PPSC, MSW, is a school social worker at Vista Del Lago and an adjunct
 counselor at MVC.
- Valencia Ferrell (Turner), BSW, ACSW, PPSC, MSW, serves as a school social worker at Vista Heights Middle School in Moreno Valley and an adjunct Human Services professor at MVC.



Kyla, Terrie & Sandra

Career Exploration Field Trips



Current MVC students experienced a guided tour of the Children's Assessment Center in San Bernardino. CAC provides forensic interviews and evidentiary medical examinations to assist in the evaluation of child abuse allegations. CalWORKs and EOP&S/CARE took nine students to the Children's Assessment Center in San Bernardino on Friday March 22, 2024. This center, a collaboration between Loma Linda University and the San Bernardino Department of Children & Family Services, showcased the diverse roles of social workers in child advocacy and justice.

The CAC employs a variety of social workers for 5 distinct roles: Forensic Interviewer, Clinical Therapist, Child Protection, Resiliency Institute of Child Advocacy (RICA), Medical Social Worker, who all support children and families that go to the CAC. The students gained valuable insights from professionals such as forensic social work interviewers, a forensic pediatrician, forensic RNs, a clinical therapist, a crimes against children detective, victim witness advocates, and even met therapy dog Lane. Former MVC student Javarri Hides, LCSW, MSW, now working as a clinical therapist at the CAC, credited his success to the guidance received from Ms. Terrie Hawthorne, ACSW, MSW his former counselor at MVC.

These events not only celebrated the achievements of our alumni but also provided invaluable learning experiences and career insights for current students. The positive impact on student engagement and career aspirations reflects the dedication and effectiveness of our programs in fostering professional growth and success.

Career Pathway Planning Tools



Vitanavis will help you better understand yourself and how your strengths, interests, and values align to educational programs and potential career paths.

mvc.edu/go/vitanavis

pjobspeaker™

Jobspeaker matches a student's classes, skills, and college major with current job opportunities and career-related activities happening on- and off-campus. Students and employers are welcome to leverage this powerful tool!

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Career Spotlight Workshops

CalWORKs at MVC is proud to host Career Spotlight workshops featuring local professionals who share their experiences from community college and transfer to working in the career of their dreams. Past workshops featured panelists working in fields such as:

- College Careers
- Counseling
- Criminal Justice
- Dental
- Entrepreneurship
- **Human Resources**
- Law Enforcement
- Marketing
- Nursing
- Social Work
- Teaching

And many more! Check the Workshops section for information on upcoming Career Spotlights.

Upcoming Field Trips



Loma Linda University 11234 Anderson St. Loma Linda, Ca 92354 April 9, 2024 8:30 am - 2 pm

Touring

- Medical Simulation Lab
- Cadaver Lab
- Embryology Museum

Presentations from

- School of Nursing
- Medical Sonography
- Radiology
- Dental Hygiene and much more

*Lunch will be provided





Student Parents Are Reimagining CalWORKs

What is **SPARC?**

Parenting CalWORKs students at

Moreno Valley College are
conducting their own research
regarding conditions and barriers
within the public assistance and
higher education systems. They are
designing solutions that make sense to
the families living within those systems,
and they are prototyping and
advocating for the implementation of
new ideas and out-of-the-box
solutions to systems leaders and
policy-makers.



Current SPARC leaders and Advisors



A word from your MVC SPARC leaders:

Veronica

Children: 6
Major: Social Work
"I was ready for a
break & Career
potlight renewed my
excitement to
transfer"

Monica

Children: 3
Major: Social Work
"Meeting different
types of social workers
inspired me. I'm
ambitious to join
forces!"

Rosemary

Children: 7
Major: Social Work
"Together, we can
make our voices
heard"

Andre

Children: 1
Major: Social Work
"I am proud to
support the Autism
community through
this role."

Community Resources

Laptop Loans

Eligible CalWORKs students can borrow a laptop from the CalWORKs program for one semester at a time. You will be able to check out a laptop each semester, there is no limit. Eligibility will be confirmed each semester, and a new agreement must be signed each and every semester.

If interested, please follow this process:

Send an email to "calworks@mvc.edu" stating that you would like to loan out a laptop for which semester and provide your First Name, Last Name, Student ID. Your eligibility will be confirmed. If confirmed eligible, you will receive an email inviting you to come to the CalWORKs office to sign a Laptop Loan Agreement and pick up the laptop.

The Laptop is DUE BACK to CalWORKs on the first day following the end of the semester, and there will be a mid-semester check.

Eligibility Requirements: Current Proof of Cash Aid on file with the MVC CalWORKs office & Enrolled in at least 1 Unit at MVC

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Free/Low-Cost Legal Aid

Inland Empire Latino Lawyer Association

2060 University Ave. Suite 113 Riverside, CA 92507

Phone: (951) 369-3009

Riverside Legal Aid

4129 Main Street. Suite 101 Riverside, CA 92501

Phone: (951) 682-7968

Safe Family Justice

3900 Orange Street Riverside, CA 92501

Center

Phone: (951) 955-6100

\$250 Stipend MovaLearns

Moreno Valley residents who are currently enrolled in classes at MVC may be eliaible to receive a monthly cash stipend. For more info, call (951) 413-3460.

MVC Dental Services

Services are provided for adults and children.

Call to schedule an appointment.

Phone: (951) 571-6435

Webpage:

mvc.edu/dental-clinic

Free College Fund

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All participants receive a seed deposit in a CalKIDS account to help pay for future education after high school.

For eligibility, visit calkids.org

Community Resources

Utility Assistance



Catholic Charities is offering utility assistance and additional resources. Please contact for more information on services Contact number: (951) 689-1803 Address:3020 Madison St, Riverside, CA 92504



Movin' Thru Moval Mobile Community Center is a traveling, and free dropin program that is designed to bring endless enjoyment and other resources to residents within Moreno Valley parks.

Our program is designed for youth ages 5-12, offering a wide range of thrilling and engaging activities to keep them entertained all summer long. The program will be held at various City parks from 2 pm - 5 pm.

Schedule

Schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather. To check program status, please call the Field Conditions Hotline at 951-413-3730.

NOTE: Movin Thru Moval will be going out from 10a-1p on Spring Break from March 18th - 29th.

> Monday: Towngate Park Tuesday: Shadow Mountain Park Wednesday:

- 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month: Rock Ridge Park

- 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the Month: Woodland Park

Thursday: Celebration Park Friday: El Potrero Park





Armada Elementary 25201 John F Kennedy Drive - Room #25 (951) 485-8365 LIC 33480965

Creekside Elementary 13563 Heacock Street Room #33 (951) 697-8968 LIC 334816836

Rainbow Ridge Elementary 15950 Indian Street - Portable P-1 (951) 485-9846 LIC 334803516

Sunnymead Elementary 24050 Dracaea Avenue - Portable P-3 (951) 653-6537 LIC 334818292



Basic Needs Department

Helping Students Thrive

The Moreno Valley College Basic Needs department services include food, clothing, housing, and financial resources, and summarizes the essential elements that students need to thrive. Providing access to these needs serves to support student success and well-being.

Please visit the website for more information: www.mvc.edu/basic-needs

Monty's Market at MVC

Free food for students, no questions asked Monty's Market seeks to alleviate student challenges by gathering donations in response to the needs of our students. We are committed to fulfill the needs of MVC lions through food distribution and support services. Distributions are free to enrolled students in need.

Monty's Market assists any currently enrolled MVC student who may be experiencing hardship or food insecurity. Students may receive one bag of food, household and hygiene products per week. Walk-in shopping during market hours does not require registration, while pick-up and delivery distribution does.

Clothing Closet at MVC

Moreno Valley College's Clothing Closet provides students with the proper and professional clothing attire needed for an interview, career fair and first jobs. These services are available to students at no cost provided they complete the application and eligibility requirements. Students may browse our selection by appointment in PSC-17. Call (951) 571-6250 to learn more.

Monty's Market Hours

- Monday, 10 am 3 pm
- Tuesday, 10am 5 pm
- Wednesday, 10 am 3 pm
- Thursday, CLOSED
- Friday, 9 am 12 pm

Phone: (951) 571-6263

Location: PSC 17A





CalWORKs Workshops

For more information, visit our workshop webpage:

mvc.edu/calworks-events

February Couples and Money (Co-hosted by credit.org)	2/22 (Thurs)	12:50 -1:50pm	Virtual (Zoom)
New/Continuing Student Orientation	2/27 (Tues)	11:30 am - 2pm	In-Person SAS #207
New/Continuing Student Orientation	2/29 (Thurs)	10 am - 12:30 pm	Virtual (Zoom)

March Improve Your Self-Esteem	3/5 (Tues)	1 - 2 pm	Virtual (Zoom)
Lunch with Terrie & Hannah	Wednesdays (begins 3/6)	12:30 - 1:45 pm	In-Person Sas #120
Student-Parent Group	Fridays	9 - 10 am	Virtual (Zoom) In-person (1xmonth) 9-11 am
Career Spotlight on Social Work	3/19 (Tues)	12 - 2 pm	In-person & Virtual (Hybrid) Lib #205
Surviving a Job Loss or Reduced Income	3/28 (Thurs)	12:50 - 1:50pm	Virtual (Zoom)

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April Discovering and Managing our Stressors	4/16 (Tues)	1-2pm	Virtual (Zoom)
Lunch with Terrie: Book Club	Wednesdays	12:30 - 1:45 pm	In-person SAS #120/121
Student-Parent Group	Fridays	9 - 10 am	Virtual (Zoom) In-Person (1xmonth) 9 - 11 am
Career Spotlight on Nursing	4/30 (Tues)	12 - 2 pm	In-Person & Virtual (Hybrid) SAS #101
Roadmap to Financial Freedom (Debt Management) (Co-hosted by Credit.org)	4/25 (Thurs)	12:50pm-1:50pm	Virtual (Zoom)

May Managing Test Anxiety	5/7 (Tues)	1 - 2 pm	Virtual
Lunch with Terrie & Hannah	Wednesdays *Ends 5/29	12:30 - 1:45	In-Person Sas #120
Student Parent Group	Fridays	9 - 10 am	Virtual in-person (1xmonth) 9 - 11 am
Career Spotlight Topic TBA	5/21 (Tues)	12 - 2 pm	In-Person & Virtual (Hybrid) Lib #205
The Wise Use of Credit (Co-hosted by credit.org)	5/23 (Thurs)	12:50 - 1:50 pm	Virtual

June Student Parent Group	Fridays	9 - 10 am	Virtual In-person (1xmonth) 9 - 11 am
Graduation & Beyond Celebration for Graduates *for graduating and transfer students only	6/6 (Thurs)	TBA	In-person SAS #101
The Basics of Financial Planning (Co-hosted by credit.org)	6/27 (Thurs)	12:50 - 1:50 pm	Virtual (Zoom)