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support community partners that host Fellows, starting in Fall 2022. Cal Poly Humboldt partnered with the College of the Redwoods to recruit Fellows for the program and share host sites. "We are honored to expand our partnership with Cal Poly Humboldt while simultaneously benefiting our students and community through work-based learning

and civic engagement." said Montel

The Center for Community Based Learning (CCBL) at Cal Poly Humboldt is pleased to announce it has been awarded the #Californians-

<u>ForAll CollegeCorps</u> grant from California Volunteers and the Office of the Governor. This two-year pro-

gram will provide financial support to approximately 100 College Corps Fellows per year who participate in

community service in the academic

The program will additionally

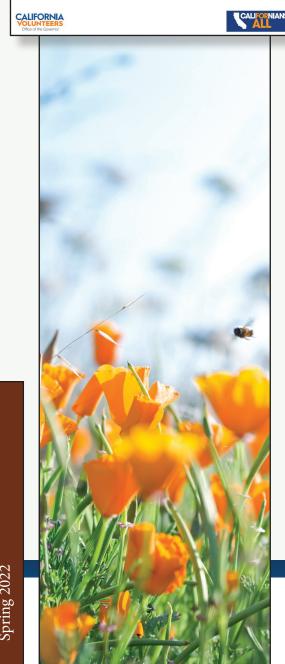
years 2022/23 and 2023/24.

By Keivan Branson

A DEBT-FREE COLLEGE PATHWAY FOR THOSE

WHO COMMIT TO SERVE THEIR COMMUNITY

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Vander Horck, CR Career Center Manager. This collaboration is part of a larger "Northstate Consortium" of campuses which includes CSU Chico, Butte College, College of the Siskiyous, and Shasta College.

This program seeks to engage college students in meaningful service opportunities that build leadership skills, promote civic responsibility, and help students from diverse backgrounds graduate on time and with less debt. Participants will contribute to building a healthier, more equitable community while gaining real-world job experience and skills while also receiving access to training, networking, and professional development opportunities. College Corps Program Coordinator, Ethan Naszady, added, "The service I engaged in while volunteering at local community-based organizations as a student at Humbodt helped me become a future stakeholder in their missions. To be able to offer a paid opportunity for students to make this growth and these connections is very exciting."

Each Fellow will serve 450 hours with community and campus organizations in one of three fields of service: Food Insecurity, Climate Action, and K-12 Education. The Fellows will receive a \$7,000 living stipend, \$3,000 Education Award, and academic credit for their service. At least ten AB 540 eligible Dreamers will be connected with these community engagement opportunities as part of each 100-student cohort. "It's wonderful that the State found a way to provide paid experiential opportunities, especially for our Dreamer students," said Kathy Thornhill, CCBL Director.

The CCBL is excited to invite students to consider making community service a core part of their college experience. "CCBL has been working to expand the opportunities for students to have hands-on experiences, especially those that are paid. This program is a great step forward to make this happen," said Thornhill.

The CCBL Community Partner Coordinator, Stacy Becker, shared "It is rare for grants like this to also compensate the community partners hosting our students. Each host site will receive \$4,000 per Fellow, which will go a long way towards thanking the host site for their efforts to train, support and report on the Fellows' activities and accomplishments along the way."

The Fellows will be selected by the end of July 2022 and serve from September 2022 through May 2023. Check the CCBL's CollegeCorps website at https://ccbl.humboldt.edu/collegecorps to learn more and apply to be a Fellow or a partner organization (host site).