

CENTER FOR COMMUNITY
SERVICE-LEARNING
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO
FOUNDED 1986

CSL HISTORY

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." -Margaret Mead

Service learning reflects the mission of USD, which embraces the Catholic moral and social tradition by its commitment to serve with compassion, to foster peace and to work for justice, and prepare leaders dedicated to ethical conduct and compassionate service. Through service, the Center for Community Service-Learning engages USD students, faculty, staff, and alumni to learn in partnership with the community, and make life-long commitments to promote social change and justice. Our programs include course-based service-learning, student run co-curricular service, America Reads/Counts work-study tutoring, and a campus-wide Social Issues Committee which sponsors an annual conference as well as speakers and special events. All projects and programs depend on student leadership.

1985-1986

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Social Issues Committee is established under leadership of Provost Sr. Sally Furay

PARTNERSHIPS

- Formal "Partnership in Education" is established with Carson Elementary, first of six partnerships.

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Dr. Art Hughes, USD President, becomes founding member of Campus Compact.

1986-1987

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Judy Rauner is hired to create the Volunteer Resources Office and support the Social Issues Committee.
- An advisory committee is created.

PARTNERSHIPS

- Continue the three existing programs and add six more, including Special Olympics

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Receive a \$5,000 grant from Campus Compact, the first of many grants to help build our program



Pictures from CSL over the years.

1987-1988

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Paid student leadership positions increase from one to five

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Maya Angelou featured as Social Issues Speaker

1988-1989

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Add seven work-study positions, including two van drivers for our new van
- Start the Linda Vista Adult Literacy program
- Begin the American Humanities program with Ed Taylor as the director

PARTNERSHIPS

- Begin ten Tijuana trips which include: four with Los Niños, two house-building trips, and four Habitat for Humanity connections
- Match 20 USD students with student mentees

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Receive recognition for the Student Literacy Corps program in a Campus Compact publication

1989-1990

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Host our first annual Social Issues conference with Jonathan Kozol as the Keynote speaker

1990-1991

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Pilot course for credit created, titled, "Student Literacy Corps"
- Experiential Education Committee begins

PARTNERSHIPS

- Linda Vista Kids program begins



1991-1992

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Two Seminar/Field Experience classes are created for credit
- First two graduate student positions established
- Irvine Grant programs increase funding for programs
- Leadership in Volunteering and Volunteers for Youth Mentoring programs established

PARTNERSHIPS

- Pro Bono Legal Advocates establish partnership with San Diego Mediation Center

1992-1993

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Three graduate students added to lead Linda Vista Kids, Literacy programs and the Social issues conference
- Barbara Peterson becomes the Assistant Director

PARTNERSHIPS

- 14 programs are created, including American Indian Outreach

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Kristen Hale Parish, Student Literacy Corps leader and a '92 graduate, is hired as the National Executive Director of COOL
- Western Regional Summer Service-Learning Institute is held at USD from July 6-8 with Campus Compact

1993-1994

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Learn and Serve America Grant develops course-based service-learning

PARTNERSHIPS

- The Juvenile Hall program begins

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- We receive \$100,000 grant from Corporation for National Service, "Learn and Serve America"



1994-1995

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- A one-unit, "Leadership through Service-Learning" course is developed
- We are renamed, "The Office for Community Service-Learning" to reflect the new course-based service-learning program

PARTNERSHIPS

- An advisory committee is created for the service-learning program that becomes the Linda Vista Collaborative. This not only networks agencies, schools, and residents of Linda Vista, but has also obtained significant grant funding

1995-1996

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Elaine Elliott is hired and becomes our community liaison
- We begin awarding the "Innovations in Experiential Education" Award to faculty members

PARTNERSHIPS

- A program at Mark Twain Junior/Senior High School is established
- Over 200 Staff participate in a service day for the inauguration of USD President, Alice Hayes

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- The office supports volunteers for the Clinton/Dole debate held on campus

1996-1997

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- The office moves to an expanded space in Maher Hall, while also maintaining the office in UC 161

PARTNERSHIPS

- The HUD Community Outreach Partnership center grant builds a partnership with the Linda Vista Community
- USD has a community office at Bayside Community Center



1996-1997 CONT.

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- We receive a \$12,500 three-year “Continuums of Service” grant to develop a regional service-learning network

1997-1998

PARTNERSHIPS

- One of the three national NSEE Community Partnerships Development Program grants allows us to build strong partnerships with Twain, Linda Vista Leaders at Montgomery Middle School, and Tecolote Canyon
- A program with the Sudanese English School begins
- The Migrant Outreach program begins

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Nadine Cruz, national leader in service-learning, serves as consultant for NSEE program
- The Provost and team present at the Wingspread Conference on Community Partnership

1998-1999

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Chris Nayve comes in to take over as the Assistant Director

PARTNERSHIPS

- The Tijuana Partnerships increase with the help of the TransBorder Institute grant with Professor Victor Zambrano

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Dr. Judith Liu is the recipient of the Judy S. Rauner Spirit Award

1999-2000

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Dr. Susan Lord from Engineering publishes an article in the AAHE “Service-learning in the Disciplines” Series

PARTNERSHIPS

- The “Youth Empowered through Service (YES)” program is recognized as an outstanding partnership by San Diego City Schools



1999-2000 CONT.

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- The “America Reads” program is filmed and featured in a national teleconference

2000-2001

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- AmeriCorps “Students in Service” program begins with stipends for 20 student leaders

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Dr. Cornel West is featured as the Social Issues speaker which is held in the Jenny Craig Pavilion for the first time
- Dr. Judy Rauner is honored with the California Campus Compact

2001-2002

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Dr. Judy Rauner retires

PARTNERSHIPS

- The community responds to the September 11 attack
- Projects begin in Casa San Eusebio, La Morita, an expanding area in Tijuana

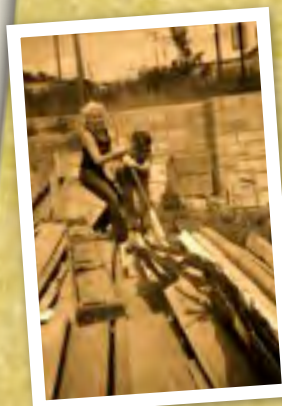
REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- The three-year, “Raise your Voice” campaign begins to promote student activism
- Dick Cone, statewide service-learning leader, serves as USD

2002-2003

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Elaine Elliott becomes Director
- Chris Nayve becomes Associate Director
- John Loggins becomes Assistant Director
- Dr. Judith Liu becomes the Faculty Liaison
- The Office is renamed, “Center for Community Service-Learning”
- The Associated Students area is renamed, “Center for Awareness, Service, and Action (CASA)”
- The one-unit “Leadership through Social Change” course is created



2002-2003 CONT.

PARTNERSHIPS

- Programs begin at Monarch High School for homeless youth
- Programs begin with the South Sudan Community Center

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Dr. Judith Liu serves as the Keynote speaker at the “Unboxing the University” conference at Azusa Pacific University
- Genoveva Aguilar is honored with the National Campus Compact Howard Swearer Student Humanitarian award
- A team of thirteen staff and students attend the CHESS (California Higher Education Student Summit) conference in Sacramento
- USD student, Shannon Brewer, presents at the Continuums of Service Conference as the student keynote

2003-2004

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- A new mission statement, vision, core values, and five year strategic plan is created

PARTNERSHIPS

- The “Community Fellows” program is developed, where community members take the three-unit *Community, Consensus and Commitment* course for Continuing Education credit
- Dr. Mary Lyons reads to students from Holy Family School at the Linda Vista Library for her inauguration. Community leaders attend a luncheon on campus as well.

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- An account of the development of the office is published in *Public Work and the Academy* by Provost, Frank Lazarus, Dr. Judy Rauner, and Dr. Cynthia Villis is published
- Dr. Michelle Camacho publishes an article in the *Michigan Journal of Service-Learning*

2004-2005

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Two additional vans are purchased for growing the cross-border program



2004-2005 CONT.

PARTNERSHIPS

- One-unit *International Development Course* begins with Los Niños
- The first international service trip to Honduras takes place

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Princeton Review features USD in “Colleges with a Conscience”
- Sr. Helen Prejean is featured as the Social Issues speaker; the first video of the conference

2005-2006

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- 20 years as an office is celebrated and Sr. Sally Furay is honored

PARTNERSHIPS

- The first summer course takes place in Jamaica
- Programs begin at the new nearby Urban Corps location
- USD students work on relief for the Cedar fire
- USD begins co-sponsoring the “Get on the Bus” program with Catholic Charities for children of incarcerated parents

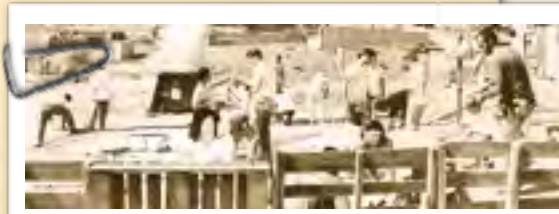
REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Our program is featured in USD Magazine, Scholarship luncheon, and the President’s report
- We publish a history of our relationship with Linda Vista in *Metropolitan Universities*
- *Washington Monthly* features USD in the first college rankings
- *Catholic Reporter* draws attention to nine Catholic Universities in the Princeton Review publication
- We host the National Campus Compact week-long workshop for Service-Learning directors

2006-2007

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- USD is selected by California Campus Compact as the regional leader for a “Youth to College” program
- CASA moves to a much expanded space in UC 113
- We begin the first cohort of Faculty Community Service-Learning Scholars



2006-2007 CONT.

PARTNERSHIPS

- Programming begins with American Indian Recruitment (AIR)
- The "Color Your World" mural program begins
- The partnership with Montgomery Garden begins
- Partnership with the Linda Vista Teen center begins

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- There is a publication of an article in *Students as Colleagues* outlining USD's student leadership program
- USD is one of four California campuses to receive \$120,000 for funding a Youth to College program
- USD received the new President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction Award
- We receive the initial Carnegie Foundation classification for Community Engagement
- We host the Regional Network service-learning faculty workshop and spring conference

2007-2008

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Brenna Hughes is hired as the Youth Program coordinator

PARTNERSHIPS

- The partnership with Acción microcredit program begins
- Elaine Elliot becomes Board member of Bayside Community Center
- USD hosts the Gala for Bayside Community Center celebrating its 75th anniversary
- Chris Nayve becomes a Board member of Ronald McDonald House
 - USD students participate in fire relief at Qualcomm Stadium
 - The First service-learning course in Guatemala begins
 - On-campus classes for students from Mark Twain Jr/Sr High School are offered with credit through Mesa College



2007-2008 CONT.

REGIONAL/STATE/NATIONAL RECOGNITION

- “Youth to College” website is created and includes resources for the murals program
- Thich Nhat Han fills the Jenny Craig Pavilion for the Social Issues Conference
- Seven USD faculty and staff present at the Continuums of Service conference
- USD sponsors “Education Lane” at the Linda Vista multicultural Fair

