APRIL
Learn by Doing Good.

Homelessness Awareness Week: April 24-May 1
Homelessness Awareness Week (HAW) is a week devoted to raising awareness and debunking stereotypes surrounding the homeless population in San Luis Obispo County. Our mission is to bring students together to learn about homelessness through engaging discussions and interactive volunteer opportunities that serve the homeless community.

Visit our booth all week from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the UU Plaza to donate or find out more about our events!

40 Prado

39% ARE MENTALLY ILL
With nearly $2.9 million dollars raised, the capital campaign for the new homeless services center at 40 Prado Road in San Luis Obispo is getting ready for its public launch! The center at 40 Prado will combine emergency shelter services and day services currently being provided at two locations - Maxine Lewis Shelter and Prado Day Center - and will also limit the need for overflow sheltering at local churches and synagogues.

The above video, produced for 40Prado.org, offers a glimpse into who they serve and why they need the support of the community to help build the new center! The video closes with a call to text slohomeless to 51555. By participating, you will be provided with updates on the campaign’s progress, including future opportunities to participate.

Main HAW Events

UU Solidarity Sleepout

The UU Solidarity Sleepout is an opportunity for students to take stand in solidarity with homeless people in San Luis Obispo. By sleeping outside with your friends and classmates, you will take an active role in raising awareness. We will be screening a documentary and bringing in experts from local organizations to discuss the current issues surrounding this topic and provide calls to action.

When: Wednesday, April 27
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Where: UU Plaza

Please email us if you would like a sleeping bag.

Barbecue at Mitchell Park

Every year, SCS offers free barbecue to the SLO homeless community in an effort to de-stigmatize and establish lines of understanding. Come and be a part by volunteering to serve food and to direct people towards our location. Anyone is welcome and encouraged to stop by and show support by mingling with attendees while they are eating lunch.

When: Friday, April 29
Time: 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Where: Mitchell Park

Sign Up

Please visit scc.calpoly.edu to view a full schedule of events for the week and to learn more about how you can get involved.

Volunteer Events
**Painting Meade Canine Rescue**

SCS's PolyPaws is traveling to Meade Canine Rescue to help paint their facilities and assist them in other work around the ranch. Meade Canine Rescue gives a second chance to senior dogs who have not found homes at traditional shelters. Volunteers will have the opportunity to interact and play with the dogs that are free to roam around the ranch!

When: April 9  
Time: 9:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Where: 8598 Webster Rd, Creston, CA 93432

**EROLICA California Bike Race**

Join Students for Health and Well-Being in helping HOSPICE with their annual vintage bike race event. Volunteers will have the opportunity to work water stations, rest stations, and serve food to bikers who participate in this exciting race.

When: April 9  
Time: 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.  
Where: Paso Robles City Park

**Walk for Autism**

The Walk for Autism and Awareness Fair in San Luis Obispo Mission Plaza is an event that raises awareness and funding for Camp Expedition, a camp designed to offer a fun, summer day-camp experience for children 5-17 with an emphasis on nurturing each child’s own unique gifts and talents. Volunteers will be crossing guards, working at registration, and handing out shirts. Special skills such as face painting, balloon animals, etc. are also needed.

When: April 23  
Time: 11:00 a.m. -12:15 p.m.  
Where: Manse on Marsh

**Puzzle Competition**

Play board games with the senior citizens at the Manse on Marsh assisted living home! We are splitting up into teams and rewarding the team that can complete the puzzle the quickest. Make a new friend and help bridge the generation gap!

When: April 23  
Time: 11:00 a.m. -12:15 p.m.  
Where: Manse on Marsh
When: April 17
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Where: Mission Plaza SLO

Sign Up

Miracle Mile for Kids

Volunteer for The Family Care Network’s Miracle Mile for Kids event. Volunteers are an integral part of the post-race celebration where they energetically welcome runners by handing them water, goody bags, and more!

When: May 7
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Where: Between Morro Rock and Cayucos Pier

Sign Up

Other Events

SOCIAL JUSTICE SERIES
EDUCATION BEHIND BARS
APRIL 20
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Bldg. 52 Room E22

The Co-Production of Knowledge by Inmates and University Students

About the Speaker:
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Mother Theresa once noted, “Many people talk about the poor, but few people talk to the poor.” The same can be said about the incarcerated. A recent Cal Poly sociology course provided the opportunity for 11 university students and 11 inmates to bridge this divide. This lecture will discuss the class from faculty, “outside,” and “inside” student perspectives. In addition, presenters will describe how dialogue enabled participants to break down the invisible barriers between them, while also co-producing new knowledge and understanding about the world.

Please contact Student Community Services at scs@calpoly.edu for any further questions

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Alumni News

Mr. Eco's Album is Live
Brett "Mr Eco" Edwards is an environmental rap superhero who got his start while he was student at Cal Poly. He believes that monumental changes begin with youth. To date, he has performed for 250+ elementary/middle schools reaching 125,000+ students and my youtube music videos have been viewed 630,000+ times.

He is running a Kickstarter campaign around his new album "Renewable Rap" that collaborates with youth from 7 different counties. You can find it at www.MrEco.org.

The funds will be used to bring the album to life through music videos. The campaign ends April.

**SCS Lead Program Assistants-Recruiting NOW!**

Are you passionate about service and about making San Luis Obispo a better place? SCS is recruiting 10 Lead Program Assistants for next year. Leads plan social justice programming, volunteer events, social gatherings, and lead each SCS groups’ Program Assistants. It’s a great opportunity to engage with the SLO community, work with local non-profits, and grow your leadership skills...all while doing good!

For more information, go to scs.calpoly.edu to view our programs and application, come into the Center for Service in Action (Building 52, room E22) or email kvinther@calpoly.edu.