

## September 2020-August 2021

### Recognition

- SPC President, Dr. Adena Williams Loston, received the 2021 United Negro College Fund (UNCF) Excellence in Education Award during UNCF's annual San Antonio Mayor's Luncheon.
- Dr. Adena Williams Loston named One Of The Ten Most Dominant HBCU Leaders of 2021 by the HBCU Campaign Fund.
- SPC ranked among Nation's Top 100 Colleges and Universities for Hispanics in 2020 by The Hispanic Outlook on Education Magazine.
- SPC was named as one of the 2021 Most Promising Places to Work in Community Colleges by Diverse: Issues in Higher Education magazine.
- SPC psychology instructor, Irene Young, was selected as the recipient of the Alamo Colleges District award for Outstanding Efforts on International Education in the faculty member category.
- SPC Vice President for Student Success, Dr. Mordecai Ian Brownlee, was selected by a panel of national community college leaders to participate in the Executive Leadership Institute (ELI) sponsored by the League for Innovation in the Community College.
- Dr. Adena Williams Loston was named to the San Antonio Economic Development Foundation Executive Committee that directly influences the region's economic and workforce development strategy.
- SPC Professor Emeritus, Dr. William C. Davis, hailed as a "Genius" by Liberty Science Center, the highest honor awarded by the center.

### Institutional Advancement and Sustainability

- Information and Communication Technology's Device Loan Program distributed 874 laptops and 271 hotspots to employees and 804 laptops and 746 hotspots to students.
- The Personal Assessment of the College Environment (PACE) overall score increased from 3.95 (2018) to 4.09 (2020), moving SPC to the Collaborative system. These results suggest that collaboration is employed throughout the organization, employees are involved in appropriate aspects of the decision-making process and leaders are seen as having demonstrated confidence and trust in employees.
- Received \$20,000 from the Home Depot® Retool Your School for the Community Garden.
- Awarded \$1.3M Historically Black Colleges and Universities - Undergraduate Program (HBCU-UP) grant from National Science Foundation.

- In partnership with SAISD (grantee), SPC was awarded \$236,429 Nita M. Lowery 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant from Texas Education Agency.
- Received a \$143,370 GenCyber Middle School & High School Teachers Camp grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF).
- Cowboy Breakfast Foundation donated \$5,000 for Tourism, Hospitality and Culinary Art student scholarships, totaling over \$240,000.
- SPC celebrated the "topping out" of the new Welding & Autobody Collision Building located on St. Philip's College Southwest Campus. The building will be home to advanced instructional welding and autobody labs, welding stations, and double bay automotive prep stations.

## Academic Success

- Vocational Nursing Program at the Central Texas Technology Center (CTTC) - New Braunfels Campus was named fourth in Texas by Practicalnursing.org
- Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) awarded Initial Accreditation Status to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program.
- Health Information Technology (HIT) program ranks among the top in the U.S. The program was listed 25<sup>th</sup> in the nation and named "Best in the South."
- Best Value Schools names SPC Among 10 Best Culinary Schools in Texas.
- Respiratory Care Technology Program celebrates 50 Years of Excellence and is one of the oldest programs in San Antonio.

## Student Success

- Student loan default rate has steadily decreased from 23.4% in 2010 to a preliminary rate of 8.6% for the 2018 cohort, a 63% decrease.
- SPC used \$87,363 to engage 2,285 students with 503 co-curricular events.
- Students, Jaylin Wilson, Vincente Flores, and Chrishall Armstrong, were selected to participate in NASA research as paid interns for 10 weeks at the NASA MIRO Center for Advanced Measurements in Extreme Environments (CAMEE) housed at the University of Texas on the San Antonio (UTSA).
- The Good Samaritan Veterans Outreach and Transition Center received the Disaster Recovery International Foundation Veterans Outreach Program's Military Transition Support Award.
- SPC Office of Veterans Affairs received the 2021 Veteran Education Excellence Recognition Award (VEERA) – Bronze Level by the Texas Veterans Commission.
- Phi Theta Kappa, Psi Kappa Chapter Accomplishments

### *Texas Recognitions*

- Ranked as a Texas Top Chapter

- Received the Award of Merit for College Project – Building Leaders for a Better Tomorrow: Window of Opportunity.
- Received the Community Service Award for delivering holiday cards to homeless shelters, nursing homes, veteran centers, and assistive living centers.
- George Frederick (friend of the chapter) of Hope House Ministries received the Tejas Award.
- Students Alexandra Williams (Biology), Cole Gavlick (Power Generation and Alternative Energy), Malia Mikol (Psychology), and Morgan Hutcheson (Diagnostic Medical Sonography) selected as 2021 All-Texas Academic Team Scholars (Texas region).
- Homero Avila was awarded the Walgreens Pharmacy Technician Scholarship that will cover the fee for her Pharmacy Technician Certification exam,
- Six Psi Kappa members were inducted into the Texas Region District V Hall of Honor.
- Martin Hernandez was selected as the Most Distinguished Member for the Texas Region.
- Catherine Cantu was inducted into the Hall of Honor for Officers for the Texas Region.

### *International Recognitions*

- Ranked as a Top 100 Chapter (1,092 chapters)
- Reached 21.3% membership acceptance rate earning the REACH Award
- 11 years consecutively ranked as a 5-star Phi Theta Kappa chapter
- Distinguished Honors in Action Project “Restoring Connections: The Perceptions of Progress Between Ex-Felons and Society.”
- Martin Hernandez selected as a Distinguished Chapter Member at the International level

### **Community Engagement**

- SPC in partnership with the San Antonio Food Bank hosted 11 contactless Pop-Up Markets that served 1,402 families.
- SPC’s Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program completed 2,619 Tax Returns distributing \$5.6 million in the community.