

Welcome
to the

Victor Valley College

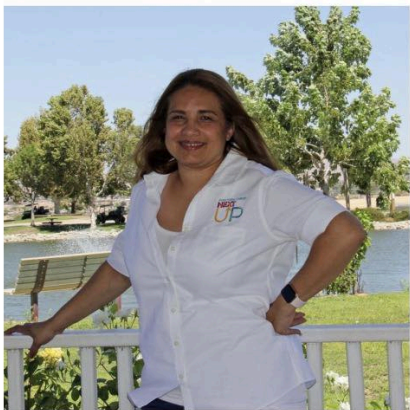
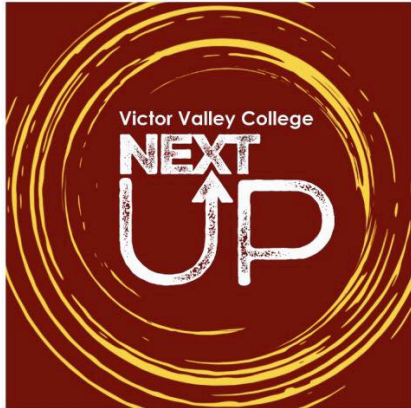
NEXT
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COMMUNITY
ROUNDTABLE

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A Word From Our President
Dr. Daniel Walden

Our Staff



Top Row:

Amber Allen – *Program Director*

Gustavo Lucatero – *Counselor*

Rutina Taylor – *Counselor*

Center Row:

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Arely Godoy – *Counselor*

Bottom Row:

Lucy Peñameza – *Program Assistant*

Cassandra Ruiz – *Program Assistant*

Yessenia Padilla – *Program Assistant*

Today's Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- What is NextUp?
- NextUp at Victor Valley College
 - Play infomercial
 - Support & Services provided
 - Students served
 - NextUp Center
 - Rising needs of students
 - Ways to partner
 - Questions/Comments
 - Our contact info

What is NextUp?

*Formerly known as Cooperative Agencies
Foster Youth Education Support (CAFYES)*

NextUp is a program designed to support current and former foster youth enrolled at Victor Valley College. We offer hands-on guidance and assistance from application through degree completion as well as financial and academic support that may include: textbooks, school supplies, tutoring, on-going counseling, food, transportation, emergency housing, childcare, and student fee assistance.



Our Mission

The **mission** of the NextUp program at Victor Valley College is to **empower** lives impacted by foster care. We have an unwavering commitment to **support** the higher education **success, health** and **well-being** of current and former foster youth enrolled at Victor Valley College.

Our Goals

1. Ensure the recruitment, enrollment, and retention of current and former foster youth students
2. Ensure more current and former foster youth attending VVC earn a **certificate; degree;** and/or prepare for **transfer** to a 4-year institution

More Info

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Extended Opportunity Program and Services

The **NextUp** Program is **under** the **umbrella** of the Extended Opportunity Program and Services (**EOPS**). **NextUp** is a supplemental component of **EOPS** and designed to support the educational goals and well-being of current and former foster youth.

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NextUp Locations

The **NextUp** Program is only available in **45** California Community Colleges. **NextUp** is available at **2** Community Colleges In San Bernardino County: **Chaffey College** & **Victor Valley College**.

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VVC NextUp Aptitude

Victor Valley College NextUp Program is to support **250+** current/ former foster youth



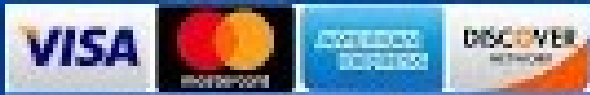


Victor Valley College

**NEXT
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**EARN A DEGREE
OR CERTIFICATE**

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NOT REQUIRED

TEXT "INFO" NOW!!



1(760) 515-9025

Support & Services

- Outreach & Orientation services
- Access to dedicated counselors
- Priority registration
- Financial aid assistance
- Meal tickets & emergency food support
- School supplies
- Community Referrals
- Transfer assistance
- Career Employment Services
- OPEN ZOOM ROOMS!
- Student fee assistance
- Textbook assistance
- Transportation assistance
- Emergency housing assistance
- Independent Living Skills Support
- Child Care Assistance
- Health & Mental Health Services payment assistance
- Financial Literacy Skills Support
- Safe Space



WHO DO WE SERVE?

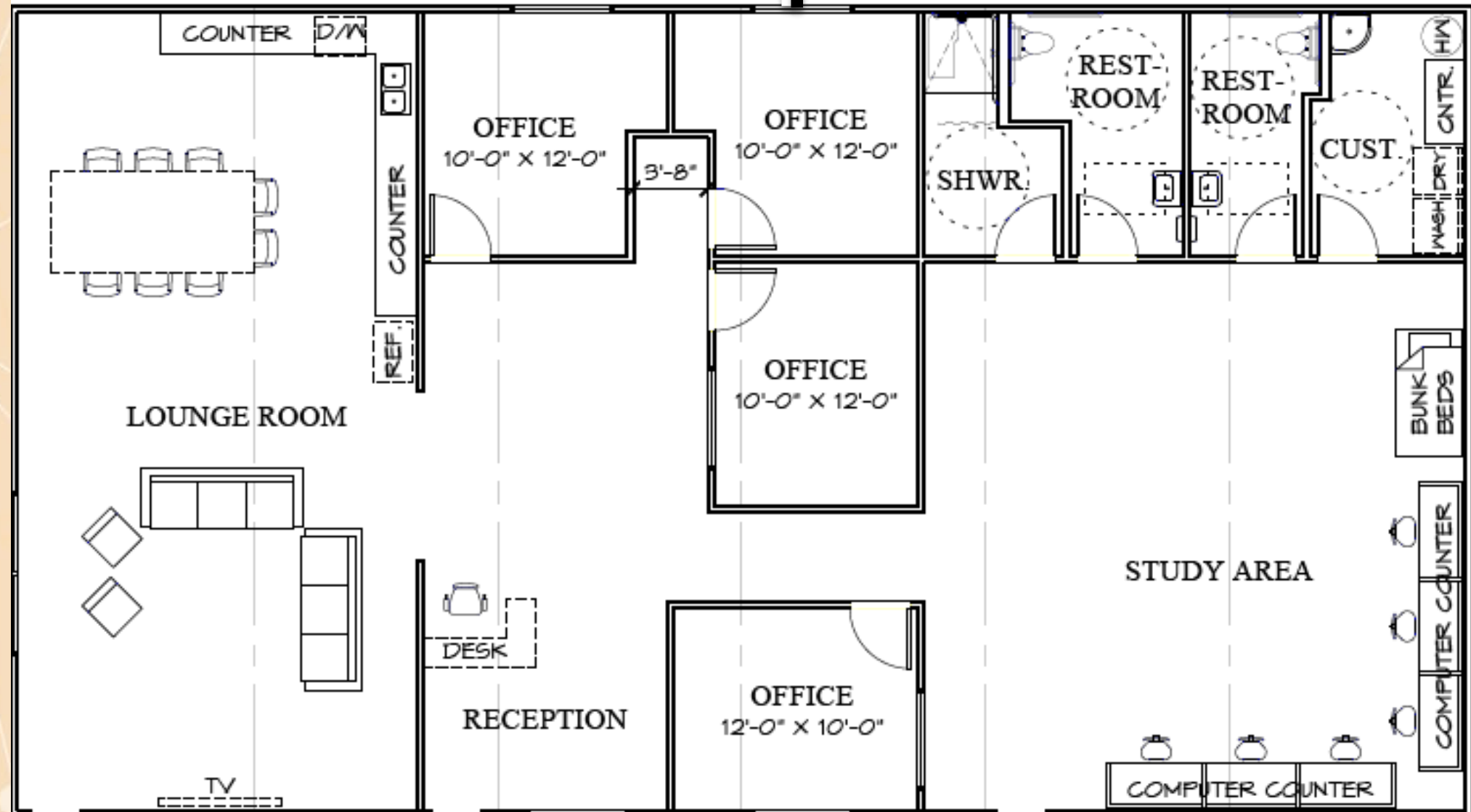


What are the Qualifications?

Current/Former foster youth who:

- Are under the age of 26 (*at start of academic year*)
- Have been in foster care, on probation, or incarcerated between their 16th and 18th birthday (*must be verified*)
- Are enrolled in at least 9 units (*Fall/Spring*) or 3 units (*Winter/Summer*)
- Are a California resident
- Apply for financial aid (FAFSA) &
 1. Qualify to receive BOG fee waiver (CA Promise Grant);
 2. Have an Expected Family Contribution of zero

Our NextUp Center



Rising Needs of our Students

- Food
- Housing
- Clothing
- Academic support
- Mentors
- Workshops
- Budgeting
- Employment
- Financial support
- Child Care
- Transportation
- Technology
- School supplies

Ways to Partner

- **Time**

- Volunteer your time to work with our students

- **Talent**

- Provide a workshop or series for our students to build their skill set in a particular area

- **Treasure**

- Donate funds or items to support their success

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Questions or Comments

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