# Basic Needs Committee (BNC)

(Operational Committee – Reports to Vice President, Student Services)

**Purpose**

BNC is responsible for proposing inclusive and equitable recommendations and solutions regarding issues related to students’ lack of basic needs resources, including, but not limited to housing, food, wellness (physical, emotional, and mental), hygiene, and transportation.

**Function**

1. Review basic needs service~~s~~ and resource~~s~~ and recommend ways to identify and fill gaps.
2. Work collaboratively with campus programs and departments to review students’ basic needs, including requests for funding and support for special projects, services, or interventions.
3. Recommend updates to the College website, portal, and other online communication tools to include links to services available on-campus as well as to community-based resources relating to basic needs resources such as housing, food, wellness (physical, emotional, and mental), hygiene, and transportation.
4. Promote professional development opportunities to College faculty and staff to learn ways to sensitively and effectively address issues related to basic needs and insecurities such as housing, food, wellness (physical, emotional, and mental), hygiene, and transportation.
5. Explore ways to create partnerships with businesses, as well as public and private agencies, to supply resources for students in need.
6. Recommend sources of funding for basic needs-related services and resources.

**Membership (18)**

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|  | Position Represented | Name | Term |
| 1. | Dean of Student Services or Designee (Co-Chair selected by the Committee) | Koji Uesugi | ongoing |
| 2.\* | Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS), CARE or CalWORKs (appointed by the Vice President, Student Services) | Carla Tablas | 2022-25 |
| 3.\* | Police and Campus Safety (appointed by the Vice President, Administrative Services) | Brian Owen | 2020-23 |
| 4.\* | Financial Aid (appointed by the Vice President, Student Services) | Rosie Esparza | 2020-23 |
| 5.\* | Student Life (appointed by the Vice President, Student Services) | Julia Walker | 2022-25 |
| 6.\* | Student Health Center (appointed by the Vice President, Student Services) | Daisy Olivas | 2022-25 |
| 7.\* | Facilities (appointed by the Vice President, Administrative Services) | Kenneth McAlpin | 2020-23 |
| 8. | Faculty (appointed by the Academic Senate) | Christina Cammayo | 2022-25 |
| 9. | Pauline Swartz (Co-Chair) | 2020-23 |
| 10. | Thuy Pham | 2021-23 |
| 11. | Management (appointed by the Vice President, Instruction) | Karelyn Hoover | 2020-23 |
| 12. | Basic Needs Resources Director | Rigo Estrada\*\* | ongoing |
| 13. | Representative, School of Continuing Education (appointed by Provost) | Shelly Laddusaw\*\* | ongoing |
| 14. | Foundation (appointed by the Foundation) | Marisa Fierro | 2020-23 |
| 15. | Classified (appointed by the Classified Senate) | Renu Katoch | 2020-23 |
| 16. | Community Member (appointed by Basic Needs Committee) | Diana Giannone (LADPSS) | 2020-23 |
| 17. | Students (appointed by the Associated Students) | Leonardo Rojas | 2022-23 |
| 18. | Sebastian Rock | 2022-23 |

\*Vice Presidents should attempt to balance between management and classified appointees.

\*\*Additional manager(s) and staff whose areas of expertise are valuable to the work of BNC.

Membership Meeting Times:

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| COMMITTEE TYPE | CHAIRS | MEETING SCHEDULE | LOCATION | TIME |
| Operational Committee | Koji Uesugi  Pauline Swartz | 3rd Monday of the Month | Hybrid  Bldg. 327 &  Zoom | 1:00-2:30 p.m. |

Person Responsible to Maintain Committee Website:

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College Website Link and Last Time Website Was Updated:

<https://www.mtsac.edu/governance/committees/bnc/>

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