Senior Financial Aid Night

On January 19, 2011 Linda Tobias and Lucy Alcantar met with Upward Bound seniors and their parents at one of Weber State University’s computer labs to help them understand how to apply for financial aid. Students learned about the requirements and application process for completing their FAFSAs. Students and parents visited the FAFSA website and requested PIN numbers. Then, students and parents scheduled individual appointments with Linda to accommodate each family’s different circumstances.

Major Fest

On January 26, 2011 the Upward Bound seniors had a great career opportunity. They attended Major Fest at Weber State University where they met with different college professors to discuss college options.
Community Service at the UB Office

On Saturday, February 25, 2011, many of the Upward Bound students helped clean out the UB office during college prep to get it ready for new paint and carpet. Some of the students stayed after college prep and put in additional time. Thanks for your help!

31st Annual Policy Seminar and Pre-Planning Trip

Trujillo and Tobias go to Washington D.C. to fight for Upward Bound!!!!

Dave and Linda packed their bags and travelled to Washington D.C. this past March to speak with Senator Hatch and Congressman Bishop regarding funding issues that will affect next year’s program.

Discussing our U.B. success stories to our Congressional representatives allowed Dave and Linda to share the importance of keeping Upward Bound funded, and ask them to stand up and vote for a worthwhile program.

With shrinking dollars and a depressed economy, it was important for Dave and Linda to express the importance of keeping the Upward Bound Program funded, and not allowing our Congressional representatives to quietly turn their backs and not support a distinguished program like Upward Bound. Linda and Dave also took a trip to San Francisco in March for the pre-planning of the Summer program. They have done a great job planning and everyone is very excited for the Summer trip!

New Parent Orientation

On March 13, 2011, Director David C. Trujillo, Academic Specialist Linda Tobias, and Office Administrator Lucy Alcantar met with new parents and students. During this activity parents and students learned more about the purpose and goals of the Upward Bound Program, as well as responsibilities, commitments, and rules. A short video was played to the parents to show them how the Summer Program runs, while new students met with Upward Bound Juniors, who shared with them personal experiences with the program. The Upward Bound staff were very glad to get to know all the parents and thank them for their interest on their students’ education.

Utah TRiO Youth Leadership Conference

This year the Leadership Conference was held at the USU CEU San Juan Campus in Blanding, UT. Stephanie Corona, Haden Karas, Cristian Gutierrez, Daryl Canlas, Yajaira Peralta, Erika Crossgrove, Katelynn McCorkle, and Joseph Randall attended the Leadership Conference, along with Linda Tobias and Lucy Alcantar. Upward Bound leaders learned skills that will help them in life in general, as well as develop the subjects they learned and share with their peers in the Upward Bound program. They had a great speaker, activities in which they needed to do critical thinking activities and team building. They were mingled and divided with other TRiO programs participants’ and went to different classes, among other things they also learned to make fried bread and hosts delight them with a wonderful dinner and Native American dances, music and chants. Weber State University Upward Bound thanks Eastern College Upward Bound staff for their hospitality.
Ogden Symphony Ballet donated to Upward Bound tickets to enjoy a unique presentation of the well-known fable Peter And The Wolf on March 15, 2011. Students and staff enjoyed the great music played by the Symphony while the narrator kept them immersed in the story. The ballet dancers were very gracious in their characterizations, wearing original costumes. Upward Bound wants to thank the Ogden Symphony Ballet once again for their kind donation. With their help Upward Bound students are able to be exposed to cultural activities.

On Saturday March 26, 2011, Weber State University held the HCOP conference, which features a variety of health-related career possibilities. Thirty-five Upward Bound students received credit for attending this conference.

Peter and the Wolf

Following college prep on Saturday, March 26, the Upward Bound junior class loaded onto a bus and headed for Snow College. During the 2 ½ hour bus ride, students watched movies and took naps. Upon arriving, they watched a presentation given by Student Support Services, one of Upward Bound’s sister programs. They learned a lot and asked lots of questions, about scholarships, clubs, courses and programs offered, housing, and the friendly people at the school. While on campus, the UB students were treated to a delicious dinner and awesome dancing as part of the college’s Polynesian Festival.

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Snow College Tour and Luau

As part of Upward Bound’s Community Service Curriculum, former Upward Bounders Evelyn Huerta and Maria Nolasco orchestrated a food drive with the current Upward Bound participants. They were able to collect over 3,000 items. These items were among the first donated to the brand new food pantry at Weber State University.

Upward Bound Annual Food Drive
Our latest Newbies: from Fairfield Junior High, Julian Garcia and Victoria Alvizurez; from North Layton Junior High, Alex Jimenez; from Mount Ogden Junior High, Shayla Leek and Lilli Huerta. We would also like to welcome David Madrigal, from Ben Lomond, back into Upward Bound.

Six Upward Bound seniors are currently participating in the job shadowing program: Christina Medina, Rachael Hernandez, AJ Jimenez, Adriana Madrigal, Daniel Patino, and Josh Kiedaisch. They volunteer at the Roy and Marshall White Boys and Girls ACT Test

On Saturday, April 9, 2011, right in the middle of their Spring Break, seven Upward Bound juniors from Ogden School District arrived bright and early at Weber State University to take the ACT. Students’ ACT scores help determine college acceptance, scholarships, and which courses students take in college.

New Students

On February 3, 2011 Upward Bound senior Daniel Patino was awarded the Utah Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs “Utah Youth of the Year” by Governor Gary Herbert. He was awarded $1,000 for college. Staff from the Boys and Girls club, as well as Linda, Dave, and Daniel’s parents were all there to support him. Great job!

Seniors Jake Johnson and Christina Medina were each awarded scholarships from the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

Seniors Angela Kunz and David Alveno were awarded $1,000 each for Sterling Scholar.

Senior Yonic Ocampo received a $1,000 Ken Garff scholarship.

Sophomore Cristian Gutierrez was awarded an Energy Solutions scholarship.

Sophomore Yajaira Peralta won $300 to WSU from the Science Fair.

On March 30, seniors Jose Perez, Josh Kiedaisch, Shelby Powell, and Adriana Madrigal were each awarded the “Service Above Self” scholarship in the amount of $2,500 from the Ogden Rotary.

ACT Test

Job Shadowing

Scholarship Awards