## SERVICE & ACTIVITY FEE ANNUAL REPORT

**Veterans Center – Programming: \$48,242** 

Fiscal Year: FY 2023

**Program Name:** Veterans Center - Programming

**Program Manager:** Ruben Cardenas

Please list any S&A funded position that have been vacant longer than six (6) months. IF any vacancies exist, please explain how you utilized the funds and what your long term plans are for the position.

Starting in September of 2017, we initiated our participation with the Washington Department of Veteran Affairs (WDVA) Vet Corps program. As we continue our partnership with the WDVA Vet Corps program we recruit and hire a student employee annually. To participate in this program the host institution is assessed a site fee of \$3,000 after we complete the process of applying, contract approval, and employing the student. The position starts in September and finishes at the end of June. For the 2022-23 year we employed Joel Thurston as our Vet Corps Navigator.

This partnership is being referenced as we have not hired a Veterans Center Student Coordinator through CWU with S&A funding as we have decided to participate in this program to fill that position. This allows us to hire a student employee at a lower cost. We plan to participate in this partnership annually with the WDVA as long as the program is offered. Not only does it meet our department needs, but it is sustainable.

Please provide an overview of the student-centered programming provided, i.e. type of programs, milestones, number of students impacted, and how they benefited.

We have continued our fall of 2022 Veterans Welcome Event for students who were either at a university center or more comfortable attending virtually. We also continued our tradition of hosting RED Week, which is programming that takes place through the week of Veterans Day.

We continued our Veteran Book Club Event Series in partnership with CWU Libraries, Advising, and a former English Faculty member, now community member. Our committee decided to choose Power of Choice by Melissa Stockwell. Participating students received a copy of the book. Melissa visited campus during the winter quarter to speak to our campus community and was hosted by the Army ROTC department during her visit. We assisted with some of the speaker expenses in partnership with Army ROTC and the President's Office. We then held two zoom events during the spring quarter to discuss the book. We were also able to invite our staff, faculty, and community members to participate as we received a microgrant

from the Libraries and National Forum. This microgrant also helped us purchase books for non-student participants.

We were able to host our Annual Graduation/SALUTE Induction Ceremony which occurs during spring quarter. This program consists of inducting students into the SALUTE Veterans Honor Society. In addition, we recognize our graduating student veterans by presenting them with a CWU Veteran Alumni Coin and Veteran Graduation Cord. We invite our SALUTE Inductees and Graduating students to this event which traditionally includes a dinner. We also allow our students being recognized to bring a guest.

Our staff also attended via zoom the Westside Graduation Awards Ceremony presenting graduating student veterans with the Veteran Alumni Coin and Veteran Graduation Cords on various dates. The veteran graduation awards were shipped in advance to the student's respective university center prior to the event.

Our continued goal is to support our students directly and indirectly with the highlighted programming/events by creating veteran awareness on campus. Our hope is that these efforts result in a welcoming/supportive environment for our students. Our student population hovers in the 500-550 students per quarter. Due to our Outreach Recruiter position resigning we were limited in the winter and spring quarter on what we were able to offer for programming.

## Please provide a detailed explanation of any fund transfers from one service and activities fund budget to another.

Transfer out was due to the S&A Committee's decision to roll back all unspent funding.

As a result of our participation in the Vet Corps program, we were able to employ a student throughout the academic year (September-June) resulting in a cost saving in relation to employing a student.

Our Veterans Outreach Recruiter position was vacant from the month of February through mid-May. In that process of conducting a search, we re-branded the position to the Veterans Outreach Coordinator.

Please provide an explanation for any position or negative fund balances at year end.

N/A

## Service & Activities Base Funding Financial Overview For the month ended September 30, 2023

Department: Veterans Center Student Activities No Component As of 12/22/23

|                                    | FY22 Actuals | FY23 Actuals |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Revenues                           |              |              |
| CWU-Allocation (Revenue)           | 45,830       | 41,242       |
| Total Revenues                     | 45,830       | 41,242       |
|                                    |              |              |
| <u>Transfers</u>                   |              |              |
| CWU-Transfer (Intra-Fund In)       | 1,250        | 0            |
| CWU-Transfer (Intra-Fund Out)      | 0            | (28,721)     |
| Total Transfers                    | 1,250        | (28,721)     |
|                                    |              |              |
| <u>Expenses</u>                    |              |              |
| CWU-Salary and Wage (Staff)        | 13,792       | 8,877        |
| CWU-Student/Temporary/Overtime     | 0            | 261          |
| Total Salaries                     | 13,792       | 9,138        |
| CWU-Benefits                       | 4,909        | 3,897        |
| Total Salaries & Benefits          | 18,701       | 13,035       |
| CWU-Goods                          | 1,220        | 750          |
| CWU-Services                       | 0            | 0            |
| CWU-Supplies                       | 986          | 355          |
| CWU-Rentals/Leases                 | 0            | 0            |
| CWU-Repairs/Maintenance            | 180          | 492          |
| CWU-Program                        | 6,270        | 12,006       |
| CWU-Equipment/Software (Non-Capita | 4,356        | 0            |
| Bad Debt                           | 0            | 0            |
| Total Goods & Services             | 13,012       | 13,603       |
|                                    |              |              |
| Total Expenses                     | 31,713       | 26,638       |
| Not Borrows                        | 45.000       | (4-4-4-7)    |
| Net Resources                      | 15,366       | (14,117)     |
| Projected Beginning Fund Balance   | -1,250       | 14,117       |
| Projected Ending Fund Balance      | 14,117       | 0            |