







# **Avareness**

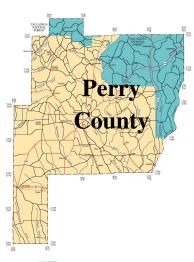
#### Improving the Quality of Life for













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### Introduction

Wallace Community College Selma (WCCS), established in 1966, is a vital part of the communities it serves in the Black Belt Region of the state. As a primary postsecondary education and training resource, it also serves as a cultural center, major employer and an economic catalyst providing employers with an educated and well trained workforce.

This document has been prepared to show the involvement of the College with its community partners over the years. While it does not detail every event, it does represent a small sampling of the significance of WCCS to the business, industry, school, and community organizations in our six county service area comprised of Autauga, \*Chilton, Dallas, Lowndes, Perry and \*Wilcox Counties.

For almost a century WCCS has helped individuals improve their lives and the lives of their family members by offering adult continuing education classes, GED testing, job readiness, and other services of local interest and need. Additionally, the college gives financial support and lends its facilities to many community activities such as health fairs, industry employee trainings, social and civic meetings, camps, and other events of cultural significance. Whether through our own or collaborative efforts, WCCS is fully committed to improving the educational, economic, cultural, and overall health conditions of the people it serves by providing programs of awareness that present the most accurate and up to date information.

One local legislator had this to say about the leadership of WCCS, "The President at WCCS understands the 'community" in Community College. Some people think the "community" in Community College means it's located in the local community. Whatever goes on in the community affects the college and whatever goes on at the college affects the community so they may as well work together."

Wallace Community College Selma will continue to develop and nurture the relationships among the **College**, the **People**, and the **Communities** it serves.

Wallace Community College Selma Is Community Connected

<sup>\*</sup>Shared with another Postsecondary Institution

### WCCS Mission

The mission of Wallace Community College Selma is to provide high-quality educational opportunities and services that are responsive to individual, community, and state needs.

### GOALS

This document addresses the following College goals:

- Provide access to programs and services that strengthen the educational, social and economic life of the diverse community served by the College. (**Diversity**)
- Provide educational opportunities that support a culture of lifelong learning. (Community Development and Lifelong Learning)
- Expand and enhance the image and reputation of the College through ongoing public and communication efforts. (**Public Relations**)





Honda Lock

Selma Times-Journal

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#### HEALTH

# Programs that protect the environment and safeguard the health of students and community partners

- ❖ Hazmat Countywide Preparation for Disasters Site Dallas County EMA
- ❖ 5K Run Breast Cancer
- ❖ Relay for Life Cancer Society
- ❖ Family Fun Day Countywide Health Fair Taylor Medicine/Dallas Co. Health Dept.
- ❖ Cancer Survivor's Dinner Cancer Society
- ❖ 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Teleconference on Grief National Hospice Foundation
- ❖ Reindeer Run Hunger
- Breast Cancer Walk
- ❖ Paint the Town Pink 5K Run/Walk Breast Cancer
- ❖ Can Good Collection Hunger
- Tornado Relief Drive
- ❖ Disaster Shelter Site –
- ❖ Blood Drives American Red Cross
- Health Wellness Screenings
- United Way Selma-Dallas County
- ❖ Domestic Violence Sabra Sanctuary, Inc.
- Electronics Recycling Drive
- ❖ Adopt-A- Mile Program Alabama PALS (People Against A Littered State)
- ❖ Affordable Healthcare Informational Meeting
- ❖ Emergency Preparedness Forum AL Dept. of Public Health, Dallas Co. EMA





#### **EDUCATION**

# Service learning opportunities that enhance lifelong learning and community involvement

- ❖ Master Class Dr. Eric Conway, Choir Director, Morgan State University
- STEM Conference (Science/Technology/Engineering/Math) Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
- Selma Youth Leadership Leadership Selma
- ❖ College and Career Readiness Standard Training AMSTI Alabama Math Science Initiative
- ❖ Youth Forum Leadership Selma-Dallas County/WCCS
- ❖ Education Summit Arne Duncan, U.S. Secretary of Education NVRM & WCCS
- **❖** WCCS Performing Arts Camp
- ❖ Community Orchestra Project (String Instrument Loan Program)
- Summer Bridge Program/Selma Early College Selma City Schools System/WCCS
- Project FAME (Fostering the Arts to Motivate Excellence) National Voting Rights Museum
- Camp Wallace
- ❖ Teen Summit Links, Inc., Selma Chapter
- Math Camp
- ❖ ACT Prep Course Leadership Selma
- \* ACE Competition (Academic Challenge for Excellence
- ❖ BEST Robotics Competitions- Boosting Engineering, Science, and Technology
- Continuing Education Courses
- ❖ Bridge Crossing Jubilee Public Conversation Speakers

Dr. Cornel West, Lecturer, Scholar

Mr. Tom Burrell, Author

Mr. Mark Thomas, Radio Talk Show Host

Hon. Maxine Waters, U.S. Congress

❖ Meetings: Dallas County School System

Selma City Schools

Selma-Dallas Co. Alabama Education Alabama

Black Belt Arts and Culture

Alabama Counseling Association

Selma Exchange Club

- ❖ Extension Program Site Athens State University & Faulkner University
- ❖ Lecture-Demonstration Dance Theatre of Harlem Edmundite Mission & WCCS







#### **ECONOMICS/BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY**

Services to various business and industry partners to enhance the economic development of the service area

#### **❖** Meetings/Trainings:

Dallas County Legal Secretary Assoc. - Training

Mary Kay Consultant Training

Bush Hogg – Employee Training

Boon Newspaper

International Paper - Employee Training

Rayco Industrial – Employee Training

WalMart – Employee Training

Deep South – Employee Training

D. R. Management Boon Newspaper

**Black Belt Community Foundation** 

**Black Belt Action Commission** 

Selma Exchange Club

National Wildlife Federation

- ❖ Rapid Response Team Site Displaced Workers
- Gateways to Opportunities (Career Fair) Region 6 Workforce Dev./Selma-Dallas Econ. Dev. Auth./WCCS
- Black Belt Career Fairs WCCS
- ❖ SaveFirst-Tax Preparation Initiative Impact Alabama - AmeriCorps-Univ. Alabama - WCCS
- ❖ Job Placement Seminars WCCS
- ❖ Project Ready Alabama 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District (Rep. Terri Sewell)



#### SOCIAL INTERACTION/ENTERTAINMENT

Events that enhances interaction, develops competition, and influences the social roles and status of the diverse communities we serve

#### **❖** Sports:

Baseball - WCCS

Volleyball – Volleyball Camps – WCCS

Basketball – Basketball Tournaments – WCCS

Basketball Camps – Selma City Schools/WCCS

Special Olympics – Cahaba Mental Health Center

Football – Michael Johnson Football & Cheer

- ❖ Camp MJ93 Fund
- ❖ Michael Johnson Fun Fest MJ93 Foundation
- ❖ 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sept. 11 Day of Remembrance WCCS
- ❖ Jubilee Parade and Street Festival National Voting Rights Museum & Institute
- Cotillions/ Founders' Day Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
- ❖ Aviation Day WCCS
- ❖ Dance Theatre of Harlem Ensemble Edmundite Mission/ WCCS
- Praise Dance for Freedom National Voting Rights Museum & Institute/WCCS
- ❖ Morgan State University Choir Concerts WCCS
- Plays: Death of A Fat Man

God's Trombones - WCCS

**Church Mess** 

- ❖ Beauty Review Dallas County High School
- Hair Design Expo WCCS
- **❖** WCCS Movie Theater
- ❖ Poetry in Motion (Spoken Word) WCCS
- Holiday Christmas Choir Concerts WCCS
- Banquets, Reunions, Showers, Campus Tours, etc. –
   Civic Groups/Churches/Individuals





#### **CULTURAL AWARENESS**

Cultural enrichment and educational opportunities to its students as well as the community through a variety of arts and humanities

❖ Bridge Crossing Jubilee – Martin & Coretta King Unity Breakfast – WCCS/NVRMI

#### **Speakers**

<del>2007 – Se</del>n. Baraka Obama

2008 – Hon. Maxine Waters,

2009 - Atty. Gen. Eric Holder

2010 - Hon. Winnie Mandela

2011 – Hon. James Clyburn,

2012 – Rev. Al Sharpton

2013 – Vice Pres. Joe Biden, United States of America

2014 - Mr. Martin L. King, III and Mr. Lou Gossett, Jr.

2015 - Gov. Duval Patrick, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Sec. Julián Castro, U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

Sec. Thomas E. Perez, U.S. Dept. of Labor

- Summer African History Infusion Workshop
- Black History Panel Discussions Local Attorneys and Scholars
  - 2013 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Emancipation Proclamation
  - 2014 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
  - 2015 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Voting Rights Act of 1965
- Student Symposiums WCCS/Concordia College/Selma University
- ❖ Juneteenth Celebration National Voting Rights Museum & Institute
- Holocaust Observation WCCS
- ❖ African Cultural Day Camp Nat. Voting Rights Museum & Institute
- Salute to African American Music WCCS
- ❖ Battle of Selma April 1865 Society, Inc.
- ❖ Lectures/Films/Plays— African-American History/Civil Rights
- ❖ 50<sup>th</sup>Anniv. Lecture Series "The Voting Right Act of 1965...Fifty Years Later" National Park Service





#### **COLLABORATION**

WCCS engages in partnerships with educational institutions, businesses, industries, governmental and community organizations to further the mission of the College

- ❖ Alabama Industrial Development Training (AIDT) Ready to Work Program
- ❖ Alabama Criminal Justice Training Center
- ❖ Alabama Math Science Technology Initiative (AMSTI) AL Dept. of Education/Alabama State University
- ❖ Alabama Technology Network (ATN)
- U. S. Dept. of Labor-Better Occupation Outcomes with Simulation Training (BOOST)
- ❖ Emergency Management Agency (EMA)
- ❖ JOBS Department of Human Resources
- ❖ National Voting Rights Museum and Institute (NVRMI)
- U.S. Dept. of Labor Employment & Training Administration -

Wallace State Community College/Central Alabama Community College/ University of Alabama Birmingham

- Partnership for Accelerated Learning through Visualization, Engagement, and Simulation (PAVES) -West Alabama and East Mississippi Alliance
- Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development (WIRED)
- Wallace Community College & Meridian Community College
- ❖ Alabama State University Camp Eagle
- ❖ National Park Service U.S. Dept. of the Interior
- Central Region 6 Workforce Development and Selma-Dallas Economic Development Authority- Central Alabama Gateways to Opportunities
- Selma City Schools
- Selma Police Department







