# 1. Assessment Plan - Three Column



# PIE - Student Services: ASPIRE Unit

## 2. Where We Are Now: Year at a Glance

2020-21

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Summary of Notable Achievements: Umoja Aspire hired a full-time Student Services Program Specialist II in January 2021. Umoja Aspire was able to present successful

virtual Black History Month Programming.

Program Planning for Retention and Success: Umoja Aspire began planning Umoja Aspire classes for the 2021-22 school year. Umoja Aspire implemented a weekly mental

health program in partnership with Student Health Services.

External and Internal Conditions Analysis: The Covid 19 pandemic greatly affected Black student enrollment at Mt. SAC. National Social Justice issues helped propel the

program to address the needs of our students.

Critical Decisions Made by Unit: Umoja Aspire will continue to postpone the mentor program due to a lack of human resources.

Contributors to the Report: Clarence Banks, MPA - Director, Umoja Aspire Program

Dr. Francisco Dorame- Dean, Counseling Department

Unit Goals	Resources Needed	1. Where We Make an Impact: Closing the Loop on Goals and Resources
Increase Student Membership - Increase the number of student membership in the Aspire Program Status: Active Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018- 19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022- 23 Goal Entered: 09/01/2016	Report directly on Goal	Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 50 The Umoja Aspire Program membership is at a historical high. Umoja Aspire increased membership by 25% during the pandemic. (05/29/2021)
	Request - Full Funding Requested - Marketing Lead: Clarence Banks Planning Unit Priority: High One-Time Funding Requested (if applicable): 10000 On-Going Funding Requested (if applicable): 10000	Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 0 Due to the pandemic, the Umoja Aspire Program provided virtual events and activities, eliminating the need to spend funds on traditional marketing. The Umoja Aspire Program is still in need of marketing funds as the college returns to in person assignments for 2021-22. (05/29/2021)
	Request - Full Funding Requested -	Reporting Year: 2020-21

## Unit Goals Resources Needed

# 1. Where We Make an Impact: Closing the Loop on Goals and Resources

Outreach Event: Family Cookout

**Lead:** Clarence Banks

Planning Unit Priority: Medium One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 7000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 7000

**Request - Full Funding Requested -**Student Services Outreach Specialist

Describe Plans & Activities Supported (Justification of Need):

There is a need for a full-time employee to outreach Black students before they attend college, share information about Umoja Aspire and Mt. San Antonio College with the Black Community, and connect incoming Black student with needed resources.

**Lead:** Clarence Banks

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Success will be measured by enrollment datain particular an increase in Black student enrollment at Mt. Sac Antonio College.

**Type of Request:** STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees.

Planning Unit Priority: Urgent On-Going Funding Requested (if

applicable): 100000

**Total Funding Requested:** 100,000.00

% Completed: 0

The Aspire Program was not awarded funds for the outreach event. The Aspire Program is still in need of this

funding. (05/29/2021)

Increase Participation - Increase the student participation and involvement of students in the Umoja Aspire events and activities hosted throughout the year.

Status: Active

Report directly on Goal

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 75

Participation was affected by the pandemic. However, Umoja Aspire was able to reach more than 750 participants

with events and activities. (05/29/2021)

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Reporting Year: 2020-21

#### Resources Needed

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**Goal Year(s):** 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

**Faculty Stipends** 

Describe Plans & Activities Supported (Justification of Need):

Faculty are important partners in student participation. There has been an observed correlation between faculty participation and student participation. Stipends are a useful tool to encourage faculty to engage and support Umoja Aspire in addition to time obligated by contract.

**Lead:** Clarence Banks

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Increase

in faculty involvement.

Type of Request: OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES AND SERVICES: Requests for contracted, legal/ audit, personal/ consultant, rent/ leases, repairs/ maintenance, and other misc. services. May also include request for travel and conference that does not require the assistance of POD.

Planning Unit Priority: Medium

applicable): 4000

**Total Funding Requested:** 4000 **Request - Full Funding Requested -**Student Leadership Conference: ACES, Arise, Aspire, Bridge, DREAM,

**One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

and REACH

**Lead:** Clarence Banks

Planning Unit Priority: Medium One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 30000

% Completed: 0

The Umoja Aspire Program was not awarded faculty stipends. Umoja Aspire is still in need of this funding.

(05/29/2021)

**Increase Retention Rates** - Increase the retention of African-American students in the Umoja Aspire Request - Full Funding Requested -Short-term Hourly & Tutors

Lead: Clarence Banks

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 25

Umoja Aspire was able to use funding for short-term hourly.

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Program and campus-wide.

Status: Active

**Goal Year(s):** 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

Planning Unit Priority: High
One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 50000

On-Going Funding Requested (if

applicable): 50000

Request - Full Funding Requested - Textbooks: Student Supplies

Describe Plans & Activities
Supported (Justification of Need):

Funds will be used to provide textbooks for students enrolled in Umoja Aspire learning community and other classes.

**Lead:** Clarence Banks

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Every

Umoja Aspire student having the books needed for classes enrolled.

**Type of Request:** SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS: Instructional supplies and materials are items to be used by students, faculty and other personnel in connection with an instructional program, less than \$500.

Planning Unit Priority: High One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 16000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 16000

**Total Funding Requested:** 32000

Umoja Aspire received much less than requested funding. Umoja Aspire is still in need of this funding. (05/29/2021)

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

The Umoja Aspire Program did not purchase any textbooks. With the changing of textbooks for the classroom, and the creation of Umoja Aspire courses for 2021-22, the program is in need of funding for new textbooks. (05/29/2021)

**Request - Full Funding Requested -**Umoja Aspire Summer Program

Describe Plans & Activities Supported (Justification of Need):

Black students need to be connected to campus before beginning fall term. Research shows that students who participate in summer programs are more successful.

Lead: Clarence Banks

**Reporting Year:** 2020-21 **% Completed:** 0

The Umoja Aspire Program was not funded for a summer program. The program is still in need of this funding.

(05/29/2021)

#### Resources Needed

# 1. Where We Make an Impact: Closing the Loop on Goals and Resources

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: 20

students participating in an Umoja Aspire Summer Program.

Type of Request: OTHER OPERATING

**EXPENSES AND SERVICES: Requests** for contracted, legal/ audit, personal/ consultant, rent/leases, repairs/ maintenance, and other misc. services. May also include request for travel and conference that does not require the assistance of POD.

Planning Unit Priority: Urgent **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 30000

**Total Funding Requested: 30000** 

Increase Faculty/Staff - Increase the personnel support by hiring more faculty & staff.

Status: Active

Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018- how would you measure it?: 19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Adjunct Counseling, Aspire Program Lead: Dr. Francisco Dorame

What would success look like and

Counseling coverage five days per week.

Type of Request: STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees.

**Planning Unit Priority:** High **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 50000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 50000

**Total Funding Requested: 100000** 

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 50

The Aspire Program was able to utilize Adjunct Counseling during 2020-21. Though Aspire requested one-time funding in the previous PIE, there is a need for on-going funding. There is a continuous need for Adjunct Counseling

funding. (05/29/2021)

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Educational Advisor, Aspire Program

Lead: Clarence Banks

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: 1 full time Educational Advisor serving

Umoja Aspire students.

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

The Aspire Program did not hire an Educational Advisor for the 2020-21 year. The Program is still in need of funding to

hire an Educational Advisor. (05/29/2021)

#### **Unit Goals** Resources Needed

# 1. Where We Make an Impact: Closing the Loop on Goals and Resources

Type of Request: STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees. **Planning Unit Priority:** High **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 100000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 100000

**Total Funding Requested: 200000** Request - Full Funding Requested -

Administrative Assistant/Clerical

Specialist

**Describe Plans & Activities Supported (Justification of Need):** 

The Umoja Aspire Program has never had a full time administrative assistant. The program and the Director needs full time administrative assistance. Lead: Clarence Banks

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Fulltime administrative assistant for the

Umoja Aspire Program

Type of Request: STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees. Planning Unit Priority: Urgent **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 80000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 80000

**Total Funding Requested: 160000** 

Request - Full Funding Requested -Create: Director, Aspire Program Lead: Dr. Francisco Dorame Planning Unit Priority: High **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 150000

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 0

The Umoja Aspire Program did not hire an Administrative Assistant/ Clerical Specialist in 2020-21. The Umoja Aspire Program is requesting an Administrative Assistant/Clerical Specialist III position. The Umoja Aspire Program is still in need of funding for this position. (05/29/2021)

Reporting Year: 2020-21

# Unit Goals Resources Needed 1. Where We Make an Impact: Closing the Loop on Goals and Resources

Program Specialist, Aspire Program

Lead: Clarence Banks
Planning Unit Priority: High
One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 77024

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 77024

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Counselor, Aspire Program
Lead: Dr. Francisco Dorame
Planning Unit Priority: High
One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 130000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 130000

% Completed: 100

The Umoja Aspire Program successfully filled the vacant Student Services Program Specialist II position in January

2021. (05/29/2021)

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

The Aspire Program did not hire a full-time counselor in 2020-21. The Aspire Program is still in need of hiring a full-

time counselor. (05/29/2021)

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Administrative Assistant III (50%)

Describe Plans & Activities
Supported (Justification of Need):

Aspire is in desperate need of administrative help dedicated solely to the Aspire Program. This person would work with the Director to ensure that all administrative processes are complete.

Lead: Clarence Banks
Planning Unit Priority: High
On-Going Funding Requested (if

applicable): 40000

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

The Umoja Aspire Program did not hire a 50% Administrative Assistant III position for 2020-21. Umoja Aspire is still requesting funding for this position.

(05/29/2021)

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Full-Time Social Worker **Describe Plans & Activities** 

Supported (Justification of Need):

The Aspire Program needs to hire a full-time social worker to professionally and effectively address the past and continued trauma experienced by Aspire students.

## Unit Goals Resources Needed

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Lead: Clarence D. Banks, MPA
What would success look like and
how would you measure it?: Success
would be achieved if the Social
Worker was hired in a permanent
position

Type of Request: STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees.

Planning Unit Priority: High
One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 130000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 130000

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Marriage Family Therapist

**Describe Plans & Activities** 

**Supported (Justification of Need):** 

Students are in need of culturally sensitive therapy. A full-time Marriage Family Therapist would help Umoja Aspire students address their unique mental health needs

Lead: Clarence Banks, MPA

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Full-time Marriage Family Therapist hired permanently.

**Type of Request:** STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees.

Planning Unit Priority: Urgent One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 150000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 150000

**Total Funding Requested:** 150000

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Student Services Outreach Specialist

Lead: Clarence Banks, MPA

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What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Full-time Student Services Outreach Specialist hired permanently

**Type of Request:** STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees.

Planning Unit Priority: Urgent One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 100000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 100000

**Total Funding Requested:** 100000 **Request - Full Funding Requested -**Student Services Inreach Specialist

Describe Plans & Activities
Supported (Justification of Need):

Umoja Aspire serves 10% of the Black student population at Mt. SAC. There is a need for an inreach

specialist to reach the thousands of other Black students on campus.

Lead: Clarence Banks, MPA

What would success look like and how would you measure it?: Full-

time Student Services Inreach Specialist hired permanently.

**Type of Request:** STAFFING: Requests for permanent employee positions or temporary/hourly employees.

Planning Unit Priority: High One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 100000

On-Going Funding Requested (if

applicable): 100000

**Total Funding Requested: 100000** 

Establish Consistent Funding Source -

Establish consistent funding sources (i.e. Basic Skills, Student Equity) with

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Professional Development **Lead:** Clarence Banks

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 100

The Aspire Program was able to send staff to Umoja

#### Resources Needed

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Conference, A2MEND Conference, and the Umoja Summer

an established commitment annually.

Status: Active

Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

**Planning Unit Priority:** High One-Time Funding Requested (if

applicable): 15000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 15000

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Aspire: 30 laptops **Lead:** Clarence Banks **Planning Unit Priority:** High **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 40000

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

Learning Institute. (05/29/2021)

The Umoja Aspire Program did not purchase any laptops in 2020-21. The Aspire program is still in need of this funding

to upgrade outdated laptops.. (05/29/2021)

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Office Supplies **Lead:** Clarence Banks

Planning Unit Priority: Medium **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 4000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 4000

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 50

The Aspire Program did purchase office supplies in 2020-21.

The Aspire Program is still in need of this funding.

(05/29/2021)

**Increase Collaboration Amongst** 

Campus-wide Efforts - Increase the collaboration between Aspire and the Lead: Clarence Banks academic programs and student services to increase African-American student involvement within campuswide efforts.

Status: Active

Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

Request - Full Funding Requested -

**Planning Unit Priority:** High One-Time Funding Requested (if

Renowned Guest Speakers

applicable): 15000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 15000

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 25

The Umoja Aspire Program only allocated \$2500 for renowned guest speakers in 2021-22. Umoja Aspire is in

need of full funding. (05/29/2021)

#### Ensure that ALL students have a Comprehensive MAP on record -

Ensure that all Aspire students have a completed Comprehensive Educational Plan on file 6 months from enrolling in the Aspire Program.

Status: Active

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Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

Increase Campus-wide Events and

Workshops - Increase the amount of events and workshops for Aspire students and African-American students on campus.

Status: Active

Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018- applicable): 10000 19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

Request - Full Funding Requested -

On-Campus: Faculty Professional Development/Training Lead: Clarence Banks

Planning Unit Priority: High One-Time Funding Requested (if

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

The Aspire Program did not have on-campus faculty professional development/training in 2020-21. The program

is still in need of this funding, (05/29/2021)

Expose students to 4-year

universities & cultural trips - Provide trips in collaboration with ACES, Arise, Staff and Students Bridge, and Career/Transfer Services; Also, expose students to educational cultural trips to include museums, theater shows, and/or Speakers.

Status: Active

Goal Year(s): 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-

23

**Goal Entered:** 09/01/2016

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Cultural/Educational Conferences:

**Lead:** Clarence Banks **Planning Unit Priority:** High **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 60000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 60000

Request - Full Funding Requested -

**Graduation Items & Event Lead:** Clarence Banks

**Planning Unit Priority:** High **One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 10000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

applicable): 10000

Request - Full Funding Requested -

Black College Tour **Lead:** Clarence Banks Planning Unit Priority: High

applicable): 40000

**On-Going Funding Requested (if** 

**One-Time Funding Requested (if** 

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 100

The Umoja Aspire Program was able to take students to the Umoja Conferences in 2020-21. The Umoja Aspire Program received less funding than requested. Umoja Aspire is in

need of full funding. (05/29/2021)

Reporting Year: 2020-21 % Completed: 100

The Umoja Aspire Program was able to have a virtual End of the Year Celebration Event where Aspire students were recognized for graduating and/or transferring. The program was able to provide Aspire Educational Kits for

graduating/transferring students. (05/29/2021)

Reporting Year: 2020-21

% Completed: 0

The Aspire Program did not receive funding for a Black College Tour. The Aspire Program is still in need of this

funding. (05/29/2021)

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applicable): 40000