

## **Undocumented Student Week of Action Mural Activity**

### **Letter of Intent**

#### **Brief Overview of Proposal**

AB540 and Undocumented Students Program is seeking to secure funding to host a community mural event for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Undocumented Student Week of Actions. Happening during both USAW and Homecoming week, this event will create a space for Renegades to build community among one another and visibly breakdown social barriers, all while increasing awareness, reducing stress, and spreading joy.

#### **Benefit of proposal to current BC students, the college, and community**

The theme for this year's Undocumented Student Week of Action is *Juntos Podemos (Together, We Can): Collaborative Ecosystems that Support Undocumented Students*. This community mural is focused on creating a space for renegades to build community and celebrate the resiliency of our undocumented, DACAmented, and mixed-status student communities. This community mural event will allow students to come together in unity while reducing stress, increasing personal wellness, and spreading joy.

#### **Incorporation of Learning and Career Pathways**

The Bakersfield College AB540 and Undocumented Students Program provides counseling and academic support for students from the Undocumented Student affinity group. Our goal is to develop student leadership amongst our undocumented student population and provide support to secure academic success. By increasing outreach, digital resources, and expanding support to students and their families, BC hopes to empower and engage students and community members to advance the educational access and attainment for undocumented students throughout Kern County.

This event focuses on developing student leadership, even if it is in the single act of having the courage to participate in a event that celebrates the resiliency of group who has been historically marginalized. This community mural will also increase outreach and awareness of campus services and resources available for AB540 eligible and undocumented students.