## Las Positas College For Immediate Release

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## Las Positas College to Host Veteran's Day Event - 2.2 for 22 and 5k Run with Former Assembly Member Catherine Baker as Emcee

(Livermore, CA) - Las Positas College will host a veterans day event including 2.2 for 22 and 5k runs on November 9th. The goal of the 2.2 for 22 race is to educate the community about veteran suicide; 22 veterans commit suicide daily. Funds raised for this race will be applied toward supportive mental health resources for student veterans. Partnering with the Sean Brock Foundation, funds raised in the 5k run will be applied toward scholarships for families of fallen veterans. The event will begin with the singing of the national anthem and Grey Ghost Sea Cadets honor guard presenting colors at 9 a.m outside of Las Positas College's new Student Services and Administration Building, Building 1600.

The 2.2 for 22 race will have challenge stations throughout Las Positas College serving as physical reminders of the 22 Veterans who commit suicide daily. The 5k will consist of a traditional 5k run running the perimeter of the campus. All finishers for each event will receive a medal and t-shirt. The festivities will be emceed by the honorable former assembly member Catherine Baker, and include the following attractions:

- Hosted BBQ Lunch
- Car Show
- Music Concert Performed by Thump Whistle
- Events of various Veterans based community organizations

The Sean Brock Foundation was created in 2012 with the goal of providing scholarships to injured Veterans and their families to further their education. The Las Positas College Veterans First Program provides veterans with services and resources to help them achieve their educational goals. During the past academic year, more than 600 veterans, active duty, reservists/guard and dependents of Veterans were enrolled at LPC. Veteran support services consist of a team of full-time staff, including a program supervisor, Veterans counselor, a Veterans Specialist who provides assistance and services covering priority registration and Veterans scholarships, a book loan program, a study/drop-in Veterans Resource Center, a work-study program and an active Student Veterans Organization. This year the Veterans First Program will be launching two new programs, SALUTE Veterans Honor Society and the Mentoring Veterans Program (MVP).

For more information, please visit the website at <u>www.laspositascollege.edu/veterans</u> or <u>https://www.seanbrockfoundation.org/events</u>

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## About Las Positas College

Las Positas College currently enrolls 9,300 students and offers curriculum for students seeking transfer to a four-year college or university, career preparation, or basic skills education. The College provides university transfer classes, retraining classes for those in need of employment or career advancement, a first-time educational opportunity for many adults, enrichment classes for those seeking a broader perspective, and career and technical training for those entering the technical and paraprofessional workforce.