

## Mental Health and Crisis Response Collaboration Purpose Statement

The Mental Health and Crisis Response Collaboration aims to address the pressing need for enhanced mental health support at the Colleges of the San Diego Community College District. Recognizing that student mental health needs continue to increase and current mental health capacity is stretched, our primary focus will be on bolstering our ability to provide vital mental health, crisis response and victim advocacy resources. By fostering more collaborative partnerships across the Colleges and with College Police, we will improve our mental health response strategies. Finally, our efforts will extend to empowering students through enhanced education on mental health and available resources, thereby strengthening outreach initiatives.

### NOTES/IDEAS

- Respect the independent systems and organization of mental health services at each college.
- Develop Crisis Response Protocol that applies to districtwide issues or impacts.
- As mental health services grow, having a unified approach will be a benefit to students.
- When issues arise or events occur, be a coordinating body.
- Early Alert, systems, etc.