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Sacramento Metro Chamber Foundation's Leadership Sacramento 2020 Class Breaks Ground on Project; Raises Over \$60,000 in First Six Months of Year-Long Effort

Sacramento, CA – August 26, 2020 – The Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Leadership Sacramento Class of 2020 (LS2020) announced today breaking ground on its class project, to transform the Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps' (SRCC) education and training campus. The class has raised over \$60,000 in just four months from businesses, community organizations and individuals throughout the Greater Sacramento Region during the first half of the year-long program.

"We are incredibly humbled by the generous outpouring of support," said Nicole England, LS2020 Cohort and Project Manager at Teichert. "Teichert has been incredible, encouraging my participation and donating thousands of dollars in in-kind materials and hours to help improve SRCC's campus. Our entire class has that kind of support behind them- employers, colleagues, family and friends- all helping this important project in some shape or form."

Ground officially broke at SRCC's campus on August 12 with a mini excavator bulldozing ground around the front, back and perimeter of the buildings in preparation for a comprehensive beautification effort, which includes two months of construction staffed by Corps members and LS2020 class cohorts.

"It's been amazing to be out there, working alongside these Corps members, digging trenches, removing old, dried up vegetation and demolishing broken and dilapidated structures to make way for a much-improved campus," said Todd Koolakian, LS2020 Cohort and Director of Philanthropy at Sacramento Children's Home. "This is what being a Sacramentan is all about- supporting and lifting up our communities and the people within them."

The media is invited to see the work in progress at SRCC's campus and speak with LS2020 cohorts and SRCC Corps members and staff. The next two work days are Friday, August 28 and Saturday, August 29 followed by September 12 and 26. To coordinate an on-site visit contact Sarah Pollo Moo at 916-410-7506 or send an email to sarah@pollocomms.com. Before and after photos and video of the project can be downloaded [here](#) and [here](#).



SRCC is Sacramento's largest education and workforce training program for young adults 18 – 25 years of age. Established by the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, the SRCC improves communities in the Sacramento region by engaging young adults from high risk environments in a values-based approach to defining success. SRCC currently serves El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, eastern Solano and Yolo Counties.

LS2020 is moving forward with three projects for SRCC, which include:

1. Beautification project of SRCC's campus;
2. Vegetable garden design, installation and cultivation for SRCC Corps members; and
3. Unrestricted funding to support the impact of COVID-19.

About Leadership Sacramento

Leadership Sacramento, founded in 1985, is a program of the Sacramento Metro Chamber Foundation that develops community-minded business and civic leaders of tomorrow. This year-long interactive program provides a behind-the-scenes view of the issues that impact the region's economy. Leadership Sacramento is available to a select group of participants chosen through a competitive application process, hosting monthly day-long sessions and culminating in the completion of a community betterment project. Learn more at <https://metrochamber.org/foundation/programs/leadership-sacramento/>

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