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## University of San Francisco Staff Council Newsletter

January 2024



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## Staff Council Meetings

Please join us for the next Staff Council meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 10, from 12–1 p.m. The January agenda is available on our [Staff Council website](#).

To join the [spring 2024 Staff Council meetings](#), please click the below:

[Join the Staff Council Meeting »](#)

*Note: Registration is no longer required to join our meetings. To join the meeting, click on the button above or paste the following zoom link into your browser:*

**[usfca.zoom.us/j/87396988358](https://usfca.zoom.us/j/87396988358)**

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## Get involved with the USF Staff Council this spring!

Make your voice heard and connect with colleagues by getting involved with the Staff Council. You can:

- Join monthly meetings using the instructions above.
- Find information about the Staff Council, including past and active council projects, on our **website**.
- Reach out to any Staff Council member directly, email our Executive Board at **[staffcouncil@usfca.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@usfca.edu)**, or submit any suggestions, thoughts, and recommendations through our **web form**.
- Consider joining a Staff Council subcommittee in our pilot program, launching this February. For more information, email our Executive Board at **[staffcouncil@usfca.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@usfca.edu)**.

Staff Council members are eager to hear from all staff on possible initiatives to improve equity and community on our campuses.

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## Staff Survey Report

A report summarizing the results of the Staff Council's October 2023 Staff Survey and outlining the council's next steps is available on the **Staff Council website**. The Executive Board also sent the report to USF President Paul J. Fitzgerald, S.J., and Staff Council liaison and Associate Vice President of Human Resources Diane Nelson.

The Staff Council will use staff's top concerns and suggestions to help guide our work, improve our effectiveness, and shape future recommendations to USF leadership. Staff are welcome to provide any feedback or thoughts about the report by emailing [staffcouncil@usfca.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@usfca.edu) or contacting Staff Council via the form on our [website](#).

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## Recognizing Staff Accomplishments

In Fall 2023, **Dresden June Frazier MA '21**, **Carla Berenice Trujillo MA '23**, and **Karin M. Cotterman EdD '23** published a chapter, "Addressing Anti-Blackness Through Place-based Work" in the edited book, ***Anti-Racist Community Engagement: Principles and Practices***. Carla and Karin are current or former staff with Engage San Francisco in the Leo T. McCarthy Center. The Staff Council congratulates our colleagues on their valuable contribution to such important work!

The Staff Council welcomes submissions about staff accomplishments to highlight on our [Staff Recognition web page](#) and in the monthly Staff Council newsletter. Please **use this form to submit information about yourself or a colleague** (please make sure to get your colleague's permission first). Questions? Please email [staffcouncil@usfca.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@usfca.edu).

## Contact the Staff Council

Staff members can submit comments, questions, and concerns through the [Staff Council website](#). Submissions may be anonymous. **Please submit your comments here**. The council values your input!

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