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## University of San Francisco Staff Council Newsletter

October 2023



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### Survey for USF Staff

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The Staff Council has put together a brief survey to help guide our work. We want to hear your perspective: what are the most pressing issues facing staff at USF? In what ways can the Staff Council best serve your needs?

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**This survey is anonymous and will be sent to all staff via email on Oct. 11.** The survey will stay open until 11:59 p.m. on Oct. 25. Make your voice heard!

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## Staff Council Meetings

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Please join us for the next Staff Council meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 11, from 12–1 p.m. The October agenda is available on our [Staff Council website](#).

To join the October and remaining fall 2023 Staff Council meetings, please click the below (registration is no longer required):

[Join the Staff Council Meeting »](#)

**Important Note:** Registration is no longer required to join our meetings. If you have previously registered for the October or future meetings, the links to join the meeting are no longer operative. To join the meeting, click on the button above or paste the Zoom link into your browser: [usfca.zoom.us/j/87396988358](https://usfca.zoom.us/j/87396988358)

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## Keep Track of What the Staff Council Is Working On

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As announced at the September 2023 Staff Council meeting, there are now active and past [Staff Council action items](#) posted to the website. The items listed are the Staff Council's major projects and concerns, with brief statuses provided.

All staff are welcome to get in touch with Staff Council members to provide input or learn more. Updates are provided at monthly meetings, as well. Staff can also email [staffcouncil@usfca.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@usfca.edu) or submit any suggestions, thoughts, and recommendations through our [web form](#).

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## Other Updates and Announcements

- The **Executive Board** is working with the Office of the President and Human Resources to set up regular meetings, gather feedback on initiatives and projects, track requests, and envision future events for USF staff members.
- The **Elections & Governance subcommittee** is researching existing shared governance structures at USF in order to identify potential partners for Staff Council initiatives. If you oversee a shared governance committee, let us know!
- The **Professional Development subcommittee** is creating a welcome letter for new USF employees to learn about the Staff Council and get involved.
- USF staff have also been invited to the **Warriors LGBTQ+ Pride Night on Wednesday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m.** Tickets in the upper levels are priced at \$75-85 per person. If USF reaches targeted ticket minimums, we can also gain access to fan experiences including tabling, jumbotron announcements, t-shirts, and more.

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## Recognizing Staff Accomplishments

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Thanks to staff suggestions and the work of the Awards and Recognition subcommittee, the Staff Council website now has a [web page to recognize staff accomplishments](#). Staff are invited to submit their own or another staff member's accomplishments using [this form](#) (please make sure to get the staff member's permission if submitting on another's behalf). Entries may be edited for length and clarity before being posted. Questions? Email [staffcouncil@usfca.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@usfca.edu).

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## Contact the Staff Council

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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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