**EXAMPLES OF TRIO ADVOCACY FROM ACROSS THE COMMUNITY**

*Specific examples of TRIO students and staff making the most of opportunities to promote TRIO!*

**SPOTLIGHT: IOWA**

Director of Talent Search Erica Frey and Valerie White hosted **Senator Joni Ernst** at **Southwestern Community College** in Iowa. Student, Abbe Baumfalk, shared how she learned about TRIO and the resources TRIO provides to help students overcome class, social, and cultural barriers. TRIO helped her find the money for college, including this $1,000 scholarship from Southwestern.



**SPOTLIGHT: CALIFORNIA**

Horacio Aceves, Assistant Director of the Upward Bound program at **Occidental College**, invited **Congressman Jimmy Gomez (CA-34)** to visit campus and meet students. During the meeting, Congressman Gomez pledged to support TRIO funding. The Congressman tweeted a picture of his visit to his thousands of followers!



These are just a handful of examples of advocacy happening across the country! Please inform the Government Relations team of your efforts by contacting Zach Farmer via e-mail at zach.farmer@coenet.org or phone at (202) 347-7430.

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