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Journal Entry – Week 8

If I could describe week 8 with just one word it would be SUCCESS. This week was busy to say the least. I took a lot from this week. I started my week with the National HEP/CAMP Association annual director's meeting. In that meeting, there was a lot of staff members that work for the various College Assistance Migrant Program's throughout the United States, which was super exciting for me to experience. My goal is to become the CAMP Director at Sacramento State one day, therefore, it was great to get a glimpse of what a part of their job entails. I really enjoyed being there to take notes for future events and sharing my experience with the internship. I also have to say I felt very honored during this meeting because my CAMP Director who I look up to, Erica Perez, was there and she introduced me which meant a lot to me. Overall, Monday was great I learned so much that I hope to use in the future.

Going to the office was great as well. The office now has a staff assistant which was great to see. I was able to make a good connection with the staff assistant and realized we had a lot in common. It was good seeing someone on the other side of the front desk area after a while and receiving extra help.

As previously mentioned, so much happened throughout the week. On Wednesday I also got the opportunity to virtually meet with the other HEP/CAMP Interns and with Irene Bueno and Patrick who has been a great support. We all asked questions and were able to make deeper and stronger connections.

CHCI on Wednesday was also great. I learned a lot about financial planning and took a lot of advice. I finally ended my week with a super early meeting with CHCI. CHCI interns got the opportunity to meet with Congresswoman Grace Meng.

Attached below you will be able to find a few highlight pictures of this successful week.

