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TRiO Upward Bound students at Palo Alto College to participate in National TRiO Day

High school students from the TRiO Upward Bound programs at Palo Alto College and San Antonio College will team up to participate in the 19th Annual Basura Bash, a city-wide volunteer event to clean San Antonio waterways, on Feb. 23 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Basura Bash is the largest single-day waterway clean-up event in Texas, which focuses on various locations in the San Antonio community. The Basura Bash event coincides with National TRiO Day, a national day of service for TRiO program participants to give back to their community.

To join the Palo Alto College and San Antonio College Upward Bound team, individuals should contact Monica Ayala, Project Director for TRiO Upward Bound, at 486-3190 or mayala5@alamo.edu. Individuals and teams can volunteer by registering at www.basurabash.org.

National TRiO Day was established by the U.S. Congress in 1986 to focus the nation's attention on the needs of disadvantaged young people. The Federal TRiO Programs provide resources to disadvantaged individuals that support academic achievement to increase retention rates that will ultimately lead to graduation or transfer to a four-year educational institution. For more information about TriO programs, visit <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/index.html>.

Palo Alto College, one of the Alamo Colleges, is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate degrees. With more than 9,000 students, the College also offers short-term certificates and non-credit continuing education classes. The campus is located on the Southside of San Antonio at 1400 W. Villaret Blvd. at I-410 and Texas Hwy. 16 and online at alamo.edu/pac.

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