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Breakthrough Sacramento Hires New Executive Director and Program Manager

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Breakthrough Sacramento a nonprofit, tuition-free academic enrichment program serving Sacramento since 1994, announces the selection of Faith Galati as Executive Director and Amber Busby as Program Manager.

“These appointments are the next essential step in Breakthrough Sacramento’s promising future,” reported Pat Talamantes, a member of a group of individuals working to secure Breakthrough Sacramento’s future. “Faith brings more than 20 years of experience managing, promoting, and fundraising for regional and international non-profits, and has a deep sense of commitment to our region’s economically disadvantaged and foster youth. She has served nonprofits at program, fundraising, executive, and board of directors levels, and has a breadth of perspective and experience.”

“With 96% of the youth served by the program attending college and 94% being first in their family to do so, it’s clear that Breakthrough is a vital community partner,” remarked Galati. “Once the first family member achieves a college degree, it changes the course of the family for generations, dramatically reduces the incidence of poverty, and strengthens the neighborhoods in which they live.”

Amber Busby comes to Breakthrough Sacramento from College Track Sacramento, where she served as Operations Manager. Ms. Busby has more than seven years experience in the education sector, teaching, mentoring, and providing administrative support.

“Amber’s experience as a trainer to staff who serve high school students will ensure the success of Breakthrough Sacramento’s teaching fellows and tutors, all of whom are college undergraduates and high school students,” commented Laura Steele Monahan, a teacher at Sacramento Country Day School and a former Breakthrough Sacramento Director. “She has both the enthusiasm and range of experience to support the dual mission of Breakthrough – supporting motivated students from under-resourced schools on their path to college and meaningful careers, and inspiring and nurturing future educators through our Students-Teaching-Students model.”

Breakthrough Sacramento is a six-year-long, college-preparatory program that uses the power of education to radically change the lives of Sacramento’s youth in under-resourced schools, and inspire students who desire to become teachers. All Breakthrough Sacramento students come from public middle schools and high schools in Sacramento County. Breakthrough Sacramento has served Sacramento since 1994, is a nonprofit program fiscally sponsored by the Foundation of California Community Colleges, and is funded by tax-exempt donations.

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