UPDATE
Based upon my areas of the service, I believe the service is on track to have a successful second semester in terms of both advocacy and events.

SERVICE USAGE
N/A

PAST EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES
Multiculturalism
-PACBIC Communication and Visibility Working Group Meeting
-PANGAEA advisory meetings

Abilities
-Soul Foods Fair: The Soul Foods Fair was a great success among students. The fair offered hot chocolate, clementines, door prizes and a number of vendors aimed to destress students and help cure some of the January blues. I helped with the planning of this event as well as the day-of execution

Indigenous Affairs
N/A

UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES
Multiculturalism
-PANGAEA: the PANGAEA team is continuing planning and logistics for the event. Everything still seems to be on track.
-Bridges Chinese New Year special coupled with a week of cultural specials
-Multiculturalism Lecture in March: I am currently working with a volunteer and our Multiculturalism Coordinator to figure out the logistics of a speaker on Multiculturalism, likely to take place in March.
-Black History Month: We will be working with OPIRG on advertising a few events for black history month throughout February.

Abilities
-Disability Awareness Group: Last semester, I was working with this group in the development of a survey to gauge the services for students with disabilities. This is in its final editing stages and will likely launch within the month.

-Hungry for Change: While this does not necessarily fall in this pillar, we plan on doing this event in early March with the collaboration of other services and campus groups. This is a great event for raising awareness for food inequities.

Indigenous Affairs
-I am currently in the planning stages of some sort of lecture or round table discussion on indigenous issues on campus. For this event to be as successful as possible, I will be in contact with the key players on campus (ISP, ASHS) in hopes of collaboration on this event and further, to assess need for the event.

BUDGET
Contributions to the Soul Foods Fair: $250
Diversity is expected to contribute approximately $1500 to PANGAEA, of which $1780.93 has been spent on MUSC room bookings and $210 on printing, although fundraising and sponsorship should offset this cost.

CURRENT CHALLENGES
-An ongoing challenge for diversity services has been engaging clubs to collaborate on projects. I think PANGAEA is a great opportunity for this, because it is well established, but it seems difficult to engage clubs with new projects.
-Another challenge may involve integrating volunteers who have just been trained into the service, as it is quite late in the year.

SUCCESSES
-The Soul Foods fair was a very successful event as it provided students with a much needed stress-reliever and a pick-me-up in the middle of January. Feedback for the event was extremely positive, and it was a great collaborative effort.

OTHER
-After working with Elise on restructuring the service, it seems as if the new structure has addressed many of the past issues faced by the service.