MEMORANDUM



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TO: Chief Executive Officers
Chief Instructional Officers

Chief Business Officers

Chief Student Services Officers

Career Technical Education Deans

Regional Consortia Chairs

FROM: Anthony Cordova, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development

Equitable Student Learning, Experience and Impact Office

RE: High Road Construction Careers (HRCC) Partnerships Round 2 Grants Notice of Intent to

Award

This memorandum is a formal notification of the intent to award for High Road Construction Careers (HRCC) Partnerships Round 2 grants by the Chancellor's Office Workforce and Economic Development Division.

The purpose of the Chancellor's Office HRCC Partnerships grants is to support community colleges with building the infrastructure to offer educational and training programs for diverse and disproportionately impacted student populations¹ to gain careers in the construction industry sector. The goals are to:

- 1. Develop clearly defined career pathways for construction careers that give students credit for prior work experience and industry credentials, and
- 2. Support students continuing their educational journeys when they enroll in community college degree or certificate programs while acknowledging skills brought with them.

By leveraging the HRCC partnership, the Chancellor's Office seeks to strengthen community college pathways and ensure students secure quality jobs in the construction industry. The community college grant activities shall include credit for prior learning, work-based learning opportunities, academic and career supports, and the award of industry-valued credentials or degrees, consistent with Assembly Bill 132 (Chapter 144, Statutes of 2021).

¹ The populations include: dislocated workers, English language learners, first generation college students, homeless and housing insecure, immigrants, justice-involved individuals, low-income communities, low-income households, out-of-school youth, people with disabilities, residents of disadvantaged communities, and veterans.

Grant Awards

Outlined in Table 1 are grant awards by region, college and funding status. Before the execution of grant agreements, grant awards must be approved by the California Community Colleges Board of Governors (Board of Governors). Awards are anticipated to be submitted for approval by the Board of Governors during its May 2024 meeting date.

- "Funded" indicates colleges that scored at or above the minimum scoring threshold of 75 points and met the HRCC partnership, construction-related CTE program, apprenticeship/pre-apprenticeship construction program MOU, and credit for prior learning infrastructure requirements.
- "Funded with Conditions" indicates colleges that met the minimum scoring threshold of 75 points and met the HRCC partnership, construction-related CTE program, apprenticeship/pre-apprenticeship construction program MOU, and/or credit for prior learning infrastructure requirements, but budget updates are needed to align with the adjusted award amount. The condition to receive a grant award is that the college must submit an updated budget prior to the Board of Governor's approval on May 20, 2024.
- "Not Funded" indicates colleges that did not minimum scoring threshold of 75 points.

Table 1: HRCC Partnerships Grant Awards by Region and District/College

Region	College/District	Funding Status	Award Amount
Bay Area	Cabrillo College	Funded	\$573,805
Central Valley Mother Lode	Merced College	Funded	\$735,000
San Diego Imperial	Southwestern CCD	Funded	\$768,057
Central Valley Mother Lode	San Joaquin Delate College	Funded with Conditions	\$1,930,246
Central Valley Mother Lode	College of the Sequoias	Funded with Conditions	\$1,200,311
Inland Empire	San Bernardino CCD	Not Funded	N/A
Los Angeles	El Camino CCD	Not Funded	N/A
Total	N/A	N/A	\$5,207,419

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Appeals

Applicants have ten (10) business days from the day this memorandum is distributed and posted online to submit an appeal. An appeal of a grant award must be in writing signed by the college president or designee. If an appeal is submitted during this period, the grants affected will not be awarded until the appeal is resolved. The appeal must specify the grounds of appeal and must be based on the process and/or procedures used in the review and recommendation of application for awards. The appeal must be emailed to the Vice Chancellor of the division responsible for funding the project: acordova@cccco.edu.

Next Steps

Before the execution of a grant agreement, Chancellor's Office staff will contact institutions receiving funding to request clarifications, adjustments, and/or modifications to the proposal and/or budget. For questions regarding the HRCC Partnerships grant awards, please contact Dean LaCandice Ochoa at lochoa@cccco.edu.

CC:

Aisha Lowe, Executive Vice Chancellor of Equitable Student Learning, Experience and Impact Office

LaCandice Ochoa, Dean of Workforce and Economic Development