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February 3, 2014

TO: Chief Executive Officers

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FROM: Van Ton-Quinlivan, Vice Chancellor

Division of Workforce and Economic Development

SUBJECT: New Grant Opportunities

The Division of Workforce and Economic Development is pleased to announce the following grant opportunity:

Industry-Driven Regional Collaborative-Economically Distressed Areas

Release Date: Monday, February 3, 2014

Application Deadline: Friday, April 11, 2014

Funding Stream(s): Economic and Workforce Development Program—SB 1402 (Lieu)

Total Funds Available: \$600,000 estimated

2013-2014 Request for Applications (RFA) Industry-Driven Regional Collaborative-Economically Distressed Areas

The Industry-Driven Regional Collaborative-Economically Distressed Areas RFA Instructions, Specification and Terms, and Conditions describe opportunities and application requirements for these competitive grant opportunities available to all California Community Colleges. All application materials can be accessed at:

http://extranet.ccco.edu/Divisions/WorkforceandEconDev/WEDDRFAs.aspx

It is the intent of the legislature that industry-driven regional collaboratives perform services as participants of regional networks. Grants by industry-driven regional collaboratives shall provide flexibility for local projects to assess and define their individual project needs. New local programs and equipment shall be key components of these grants. Funding shall not be limited per project, but shall be based on the merit and reasonable cost for the anticipated outcomes and performance of the project. Funding for industry-driven regional collaboratives shall be limited to one year.

The Chancellor, in awarding, short-term competitive funds, shall take into account colleges in economically distressed urban and rural areas, and colleges that have not previously been successful in the competitive bid process. It is the intent of the Chancellor's Office for this RFA that the total estimated funding will be \$600,000. Only California community college districts located within one of the identified counties with economically distressed areas are eligible to apply. Eligible districts within the economically distressed areas that have not previously been awarded 2013-2014 SB 1402 funding will receive 5 bonus points on their scored application.

Bidder's Conference

An Industry-Driven Regional Collaborative-Economically Distressed Areas RFA Bidder's Conference is scheduled for **Monday**, **February 10**, **2014** – **10:00 a.m.** Questions submitted in advance will be answered during the Bidder's Conference and must be sent in writing to Abigail Singleton at <u>asingleton@cccco.edu</u>.

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Action/Date Requested:

Complete the grant application using the Industry-Driven Regional Collaborative-Economically Distressed Areas RFA Grant Package, and related forms located at:

http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/WorkforceandEconDev/WEDDRFAs.aspx

- 1. Applications must be submitted electronically in a single PDF document and e-mailed to EWDAppSubmittals@cccco.edu no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 11, 2014 (no separate e-mails with pieces of applications will be accepted).
- 2. The subject line of your e-mail should read: 2013-2014 IDRCs
- 3. Applications e-mailed to any address other than listed above will not be accepted.

4. Please address all questions to: Abigail Singleton: asingleton@ccco.edu

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