

TO: Chief Executive Officers
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FROM: Anthony Cordova, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development

RE: Intent to Award Industry Driven Regional Collaborative (IDRC) Grants

The Chancellor's Office is pleased to announce the Intent to Award Industry Driven Regional Collaborative (IDRC) Grants. We appreciate the strong response to this funding opportunity and commend all applicants for their thoughtful and innovative proposals.

The IDRC initiative serves as a catalyst for agile and scalable workforce development solutions. The overarching aim is to fund short-term, performance-oriented projects that prepare learners for future-ready careers while promoting equitable access and economic mobility. Aligned with Education Code Section 88600, this initiative empowers colleges to act swiftly and collaboratively in addressing critical workforce skills gaps and building sustainable partnerships with industry.

Grant Awards

Outlined in Table 1 are grant awards by region, district, college, and funding status. Before the execution of grant agreements, grant awards must be approved by the California Community Colleges Board of Governors. Awards are anticipated to be submitted for approval by the Board of Governors during its September 2025 meeting date.

This was a highly competitive process, with 51 applications received. Following a rigorous review and scoring process, applications were categorized into three groups:

- **Funded (F):** Applications awarded grant funding, pending Board of Governors approval Sept. 17, 2025.
- **Passing Score – No Funding (PS-NF):** Applications that earned a passing score but could not be funded due to limited resources.
- **Not Eligible (NE):** Applications that did not meet the passing score needed to receive an award.

Appeals Process

Applicants may submit a protest by **5 p.m. on Aug. 4, 2025**. Appeals are limited to the grounds that the Chancellor's Office failed to correctly follow the specified processes for reviewing the application. The college/district must email a complete written appeal to the Economic and Workforce Development Vice Chancellor, Anthony Cordova at ACordova@CCCCO.edu, including the issue(s) in dispute, the legal authority or other basis for the position, and the remedy sought.

Next Steps

Following board approval, Economic and Workforce Development (EWD) staff will provide guidance and next steps to the awarded colleges, including instructions for submitting required face pages, project plans and budgets in the NOVA system. Grant agreements must be fully executed before funding can be processed. Funds will be distributed through the established claim process. Please share this information with your Project Director, Chief Business Officer, and any other personnel responsible for the project.

Contacts

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the EWD team at EWD@CCCCO.edu.

We appreciate your continued commitment to regional workforce development and look forward to future collaborations.

cc: Cheri Fortin, Dean of Workforce and Economic Development

Table 1. IDRC Grant Awards

Region	District	College	Sector	Funded
Bay Area	Chabot-Las Positas	Chabot College	Adv Manufacturing & Engineering Tech	F
Bay Area	Chabot-Las Positas	Chabot College	ICT/Digital Media	F
Bay Area	Foothill-De Anza	De Anza College	Adv Manufacturing, Industrial Automation	F
Bay Area	Peralta	Berkeley City College	Climate, STEM, Technology	F
Central Valley	Kern	Bakersfield College	Adv Trans & Energy/Green Tech	F
Central Valley	West Hills	Coalinga College	Green Technologies, Climate and Energy Innovation	F
Central Valley	West Hills	Lemoore College	Green Technologies, Climate and Energy Innovation	F
Central Valley	Yosemite	Columbia College	High Tech, Info Tech & Network Eng	F
Central Valley	Yosemite	Modesto Junior College	Ag, Climate, STEM, Tech, Hosp & Tourism	F
Inland Empire	Barstow	Barstow Community College	Autonomous Systems Technology	F
Inland Empire	Palo Verde	Palo Verde College	Climate, Stem, And Technology; Advanced Transportation	F
Los Angeles	Cerritos	Cerritos College	Energy/Green Tech	F
Los Angeles	El Camino	El Camino College	Aerospace & Defense and Space	F
Los Angeles	El Camino	El Camino College	STEM	F

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Region	District	College	Sector	Funded
Los Angeles	Los Angeles	East Los Angeles College	AI In Business Admin & Admin of Justice	F
Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Los Angeles Harbor College	Energy/Green Tech	F
Los Angeles	Mt. San Antonio	Mt. San Antonio College	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	F
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North Far North	Butte-Glenn	Butte College	AI, Green Tech, Climate, STEM, Tech	F
North Far North	Feather River	Feather River College	Carbon Capture, Climate Tech & Forestry	F
North Far North	Shasta-Tehama- Trinity Joint	Shasta College	Climate; Carbon Capture; Natural Resources	F
North Far North	Shasta-Tehama- Trinity Joint	Shasta College	Innovative; High-Impact Sectors	F
North Far North	Sierra Joint	Sierra College	Precision Manufacturing	F
Orange County	Rancho Santiago	N/A	AI and Manufacturing	F
San Diego Imperial	Grossmont-Cuyamaca	Grossmont College	Marine Energy, Aquaculture & Green Tech	F
San Diego Imperial	San Diego	San Diego Mesa College	Climate, Stem, Tech, AI, Energy/Green Tech, Marine Energy	F
San Diego Imperial	Southwestern	Southwestern College	Advanced Manufacturing - Welding	F
San Diego Imperial	Southwestern	Southwestern College	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	F

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South Central	San Luis Obispo County	Cuesta College	Adv Trans, Green Tech, Climate, STEM, Tech	F
Bay Area	Cabrillo	N/A	STEM & Tech	PS-NF
Bay Area	Chabot-Las Positas	Los Positas College	Tech & Adv Manufacturing	PS-NF
Bay Area	Napa Valley	Napa Valley College	Wine Tech, Geographic Info Systems, Sustainability, Ag Mgmt	PS-NF
Bay Area	Ohlone	Ohlone College	AI And Smart Manufacturing	PS-NF
Inland Empire	San Bernardino	N/A	Artificial Intelligence and Advanced Transportation	PS-NF
Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Los Angeles Trade-Tech College	Adv Trans, EV Vehicles & EV Charging Stations	PS-NF
Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Los Angeles Valley College	Cybersecurity & AI	PS-NF
Los Angeles	Santa Monica	Santa Monica College	Marine Energy and Aquaculture	PS-NF
North Far North	Butte-Glenn	Butte College	Adv Transportation & Adv Tech	PS-NF
San Diego Imperial	San Diego	San Diego Miramar College	Biotechnology, STEM	PS-NF
South Central	Santa Clarita	College of the Canyons	Aerospace/Adv Manufacturing	PS-NF
Inland Empire	Riverside	Moreno Valley College	Adv Trans, Green Tech, AI, Climate & Emergency Response	NE
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Inland Empire	San Bernardino	N/A	Climate, Utilities	NE

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Los Angeles	Compton	Compton College	Nursing Tech	NE
Los Angeles	Long Beach	Long Beach College	Climate, Energy/Green Tech	NE
Los Angeles	Pasadena Area	Pasadena City College	Nanotechnology, Electronics Tech, Laser Tech, Robotics	NE
Los Angeles	Santa Monica	Santa Monica College	Social Services/Human Services	NE
South Central	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara City College	Climate, STEM, and Technology/Nanotechnologies	NE
South Central	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara City College	Marine Energy and Aquaculture	NE
South Central	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara City College	Marine Energy and Aquaculture	NE