



TO: Chief Executive Officers
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FROM: Vice Chancellor, Educational Services

RE: Funding Opportunity for College

Background

The significant number of college students facing homelessness and housing insecurity in California is a public health and social justice issue. Homelessness and housing insecurity are among the most significant barriers to educational attainment and economic mobility. Homelessness and housing insecurity are also associated with negative health outcomes, including mental health issues, substance use, and physical health problems. Homelessness and housing insecurity are also associated with higher rates of hospitalization and emergency room visits. Homelessness and housing insecurity are also associated with higher rates of child abuse and neglect. Homelessness and housing insecurity are also associated with higher rates of homelessness and housing insecurity among children and youth. Homelessness and housing insecurity are also associated with higher rates of homelessness and housing insecurity among people with disabilities. Homelessness and housing insecurity are also associated with higher rates of homelessness and housing insecurity among people who have served in the military, former foster youth, and students with disabilities (Goldrick-Rab et al. 2019).

College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program

In response to the significant number of college students facing homelessness and housing insecurity in California, the Chancellor's Office is implementing a pilot program to support community college students, and in alignment with authorizing legislation included in [Senate Bill 74](#), the California Community College Chancellor's Office is soliciting interested Community Colleges to participate in a College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program. Colleges selected to participate in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program will be required to establish partnerships with community organizations that have experience providing services to homeless and housing insecure students. Colleges may also conduct the following, and other activities, including: recognizing and supporting community case managers who have knowledge and expertise in accessing safety net resources; providing emergency grants needed for students to secure housing or to prevent imminent loss of housing; and providing information about on-campus and off-campus resources; and providing information about on-campus and off-campus resources. For more information, please visit the [College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program website](#).

Criteria for Participation

Community colleges interested in participating in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program must meet the following criteria:

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students with the Management Information System (MIS) data base that became available in 2016. Not all colleges are populating this data field. In lieu of SG16 data, the Chancellor's Office has identified some colleges that are currently reporting data on homeless and housing insecure students including:

- Percentage of students receiving Pell grants
- Average Pell grant award for full-time students (enrolled in 12 units)
- Percentage of students receiving California State Work-Study

In recognition that various student groups experience higher rates of homelessness, the student demographic data will be considered to identify colleges with the greatest need including:

- Percentage of foster youth students
- Percentage of veterans students
- Percentage of students with disabilities

Required Technical Assistance

The Chancellor's Office, in partnership with the State Director of Youth, will be offering comprehensive technical assistance to colleges selected to participate in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program. Selected colleges will be required to participate in ongoing training and regular technical assistance regarding the development and implementation of their ensuring that participating institutions develop a range of more effective services programs that

Up to fifteen colleges with the highest enrollment reflected by financial aid; special population enrollment data and county-based data will be selected to participate in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program. Participating colleges will work with their local housing service provider agencies to ensure services address the needs of and in long-term real estate institutionalizing efforts locally in partnership with participating colleges, the Chancellor's Office will ensure that participating colleges have access to technical assistance provided by local

Services and grants will equate to \$700,000 annually over a three-year period.

Funding over the three-year period will be contingent on performance. The goal of the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Project is to build upon existing infrastructure and resources within the colleges and within the local housing services and housing service provider agencies to sustain and expand their superior outcomes students.

Year duration of piloting the project will be reviewed to determine a sustainability plan that includes ongoing coordination with local community-based housing service providers. This plan, which will be submitted to the Chancellor's Office for review, must include a sustainability strategy, including information regarding how the project

will be sustained through elements such as expanded financial aid to students; leveraging local, state, and federal housing funds; and regular and ongoing college general fund. Legislative funding distributed through the Chancellor's Office will cease at the end of the three-year period. The Chancellor's Office will ensure that the program will continue without this

not the colleges will then be selected to College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Project for three-

To ensure geographic diversity in funding distribution across the state, the Chancellor's Office will ensure that at least one allocation is made to each region across the state. Communities with high population density and/or high cost of living may be eligible for two allocations in those regions.

Reporting Requirements of Participating Colleges

By May 15, 2020

will be required to report the number of students served by

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the campus; the distribution of funds by the campus; a description of the types of programs funded; other relevant outcomes (e.g., number of students who were able to secure permanent housing, enrollment, retention, graduation, or other relevant outcomes); and a list of promising practices or lessons learned. Subsequent reports shall be submitted to the Chancellor's Office every six months.

Submitter Information

Interested colleges must submit the form by email to EdServices@cccco.edu by 5:00 p.m. PST, January 6, 2020. Pending approval from the California Community Colleges Board of Governors, colleges selected to participate in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program will be notified by March 16, 2020.