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- **TO:** Chief Executive Officers Chief Business Officers Chief Instructional Officers Chief Student Services Officers
- **FROM:** Rhonda Mohr Vice Chancellor, Educational Services
- **RE:** Colleges Selected to Participate in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program

Background

In response to the growing problem of homelessness and housing insecurity among California community college students, and in alignment with authorizing legislation included in <u>Senate Bill</u> <u>74</u>, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office solicited interest from California Community Colleges to participate in a College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot program.

Selection Process

The Chancellor's Office employed a data-driven approach for identifying community college campuses that are most at-need for additional housing-based funding and also, those with a greater capacity to implement the Pilot program in a timely manner. The mathematical model employed for assigning scores drew on both campus- and county-level data (identified below):

- Percentage of students receiving Pell grants
- Average Pell grant award for students enrolled full-time (enrolled in 12 units)
- Percentage of students receiving California College Promise grants A, B, C or D
- Percentage of foster youth students
- Percentage of student veterans
- Percentage of students with disabilities
- Availability and accessibility of low-income housing
- Percentage of county population living below the poverty line
- High school graduation rate within the county

Total number of colleges for participation

Additional information regarding the mathematical computations used to identify colleges with the greatest need and capacity is available in the attached Appendix A. Based on the data computations, the Chancellor's Office is selecting 14 California community colleges to participate in the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot program (see list below).

College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program March 2, 2020

Participating colleges will receive funding amounts ranging from \$500,000 to \$700,000 annually over a three-year period. The Chancellor's Office will be monitoring the development and implementation of these Pilot programs. The goal of the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot program is to build upon existing infrastructure and resources within the colleges and within the local housing services community to implement a sustainable program to support homeless and housing insecure students. Legislative funding distributed through the Chancellor's Office will cease at the end of the three-year funding cycle for first group of colleges selected to pilot the program, with the expectation that the program will continue without this support. A second (and third and fourth) cohort of colleges will then be selected to pilot the College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot program for three- year funding cycles.

Reporting Requirements of Participating Colleges

By May 15, 2020, selected colleges shall submit to the Chancellors Office information regarding the use of these funds, including the number of coordinators hired; the number of students served by 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, and whether students receiving support remained enrolled at the institution or graduated), and a discussion of promising practices. Subsequent reports shall be submitted to the Chancellor's Office every six months.

Chancellor's Office staff will contact colleges selected to participate in the Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot program to support their participation in the program. For additional information regarding the Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot program please contact Colleen Ganley at <u>Cganley@CCCCO.edu</u>.

| College Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program | Award Amount |
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| Antelope Valley College | \$700,000 |
| Barstow College | \$500,000 |
| Butte College | \$700,000 |
| Cerritos College | \$700,000 |
| Gavilan College | \$500,000 |
| Imperial Valley College | \$600,000 |
| Long Beach City College | \$700,000 |
| Los Angeles Southwest College | \$700,000 |
| College of the Redwoods | \$500,000 |
| Riverside Community College | \$700,000 |
| San Diego City College | \$600,000 |
| Fresno City College | \$700,000 |
| Victor Valley College | \$700,000 |
| Modesto College | \$700,000 |