



2017 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGES AS CORE DRIVERS OF THE 60X30TX STRATEGIC HIGHER EDUCATION PLAN

Strategies for Achieving the Goals of 60X30TX

Strategies to achieve the attainment and completion goals include: academic preparation; curriculum delivery; support for underprepared students; high quality programs for underserved adults; co-requisite courses for developmental education students; holistic advising; guided pathways; predictive analytics; high impact practices; dual credit; early college high schools and affordable baccalaureate programs.

Texas Community Colleges have embraced transformation strategies and practices, to include:

- 1. New Mathways Project: redesigning developmental math;
- Workforce Skills Development and Jobs for Education (JET) Program;
- Early College High Schools and dual credit: enhancing K-12 and higher education alignment;
- 4. Texas Guided Pathways Project: accelerating student transitions from high school to community college, to workforce or university transfer.

Howard College

Estimated Funding 2018-19:

Core: \$ 1,500,000

Student Success Points: \$ 1,087,611

Instructional: \$10,491,243

Estimated Total 2018-19 \$13,078,854 2016-17 Total: \$12,805,634*

*Includes hold harmless

Additional funds for the college to invest in the 2018-19 Biennium:

2018-19 Biennium: \$ 273,220 Each year of Biennium: \$ 136,610

Strategies Requiring Funding Investments for Howard College

- Attraction, appreciation and retention of qualified professionals with equitable pay in order to provide quality instruction and student services.
- Concentration/maximization of human resources to better align student pathways beginning with dual credit to the workplace focusing on HB5 and 60X30TX goals.
- Realignment/start-up of instructional and training programs to address the regional workforce needs resulting in jobs for economically distressed families/workers.
- Focus on campus safety initiatives.

SWCID

Special Item Funding Estimated 2018-19:

Estimated HB1 2018-19 Total: \$ 6,652,806

Additional funds for the college to invest in the 2018-19 Biennium:

2018-19 Biennium: \$641,938 Each year of Biennium: \$320,969

Strategies Requiring Funding Investments for SWCID

- Attraction, appreciation and retention of qualified, uniquely prepared professionals with equitable, specialized pay in order to provide quality instruction and student services for deaf and hard of hearing individuals.
- Concentration/maximization of human and physical resources to better align student pathways for deaf and hard of hearing individuals beginning with dual credit to the workplace focusing on HB5 and 60X30TX and ADA goals.
 - Realignment/start-up of instructional and training programs to address the workforce needs of the private and public sector resulting in jobs for deaf and hard of hearing individuals to actively participate in the workplace with strong skills and enhance their earning capacity and quality of life.
- Address aging infrastructure and safety needs of the overall SWCID physical plant and keep up with operational and technological costs.

Attainment Goal

By 2030 at least 60% of Texans ages 25-24 will have a certificate or degree.

Completion Goal

By 2030, 550,000 Texans will complete a certificate or degree.

Marketable Skills Goal

All graduates will have completed with identified marketable skills.

Student Debt Goal

Undergraduate student loan debt will not exceed 60% of first-year wages.

In 2015, Texas Community Colleges awarded 103,752 certificates and degrees (33% of total). Of the certificates and degrees conferred, 39% were awarded to Hispanic, 27% to White and 13% to African-American students. When combined with local ad valorem resources and tuition and fee revenue, state funding will ensure community colleges have the capacity to confer an estimated 130,000 credentials in the year 2020.