
Proposition 39 Grant Program 2013-14

California Community Colleges Workforce Development

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office will allocate \$6M to workforce development from its Proposition 39 / SB 73 funds allocation. A Request for Application (RFA) will be released this year, awarding grants to community colleges for education and training in energy efficiency and clean energy generation. The emphasis is on stakeholder engagement – colleges, K-12, industry, Labor, WIBs, CCC - to build the workforce needed to support public and private investment stimulated by Proposition 39.

Grant Package A: Regional Workforce Development

This program builds and expands sustainable career pathways that leverage the collective assets at multiple colleges across a region. Students and incumbent workers will have enhanced opportunities to earn degrees and certificates by completing courses aligned with industry priorities at multiple colleges.

Grant Package B: Elevating the Quality of Instruction Statewide

This program elevates the quality of instruction at colleges that have made investments in education and training for this sector, but lack capacity or faculty to build robust career pathways. One or more high-performing colleges is required to lead this statewide coalition. Significant value will be added to the programs of participating colleges through shared curriculum and innovation.

Collaborative Programs: CWIB and CCC

A third grant funding pool – **totally separate from Grant Packages A and B** - is reserved for community college support of the California Workforce Investment Board (CWIB) Bridge to Entry-Level Grant Program and for support of the California Conservation Corps (CCC) in training for its functions required by SB 73.

The CWIB Bridge to Entry-Level Grant Program funds selected pilot projects that create opportunities for disadvantaged youth and veterans to improve their qualifications to prepare for energy efficiency occupations and qualify for Apprenticeship programs or community college career pathways.

The CCC funds training for multiple cohorts of its Corps Members for data collection and initial audits pursuant to SB 73 allocation for investment in capital infrastructure at selected K-12 school districts.

Community colleges are encouraged to collaborate with their local WIB and CCC partners to support their applications for funds under grant programs offered by CWIB and the State CCC. When the winners are announced for these CWIB and CCC grant programs, CCCCO will release funds from its SB 73

reserve to those community colleges that have committed to provide instruction for their local WIB and CCC applications. The CCCC funds supporting these programs are limited to \$20,000 for each college named as an instructional partner in the winning grant awards from CWIB and CCC.

Applicants for the CCCC Grant Packages A or B also may include funding for collaborative activities with local WIB and CCC partners that are not duplicative of activities proposed in applications for the CWIB and CCC grant programs.

Program Outcome Metrics:

Common Metrics to be addressed by Packages A and B over the 18-month grant performance period include but are not limited to:

Momentum Points:

MP 23: Completed an AA/AS Degree in a major aligned with student's CTE pathway

MP 28: Job placement in the same or similar field of study as educational pathway

MP 29: Certificate Acquisition

Leading Indicators:

LI 2: Regionalization of stackable certificates aligned with a particular occupation ladder

LI 3: Alignment of a certificate with state, industry, nationally, and/or employer recognized certification

LI 5: Curriculum articulation along a career or multi-career educational pathway

Target Occupations:

Based on extensive labor market analysis, the RFA places a priority on these occupations in the Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional sectors of energy efficiency and clean energy generation, although other occupations in these sectors may be targeted in response to industry needs:

Electricians

First-line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers

Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters

Heating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers

Cost Estimators (particularly Commercial Energy Auditors)

Construction and Building Inspectors

Sheet Metal Workers

Stationary Engineers and Boiler Operators

Occupations such as Acceptance Testers also are expected to become priorities, driven by Title 24 code changes, IOU Sector Strategies, and related incentives and initiatives.