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MCCA Updates

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Legislative Updates



Legislative Timeline

- January: CREC, Governor's State of the State
- February: Governor's Executive Budget Recommendation
- March: Budget and Legislative Priorities Work
- April: Special House elections, Capitol Day
- May: CREC
- June: Budget?

Executive Budget Recommendation

Community Colleges Overview

- **Operations:** \$8.9 million in additional ongoing funding for community college operations, a **2.5% increase** over fiscal year 2024. This increase is distributed through the existing performance funding formula. Universities also have a proposed 2.5% increase.
- **Tuition Restraint:** For the academic year 2024-2025, the tuition restraint level is equal to the greater of **5.0% or \$241.00**. For the academic year 2025-2026, the tuition restraint level is equal to the greater of **5.0% or \$253.00**. It is intended that in the next fiscal year, the tuition restraint rate will only be adjusted for the subsequent academic year. In other words, the state is looking to provide more predictability on tuition-restraint provisions to allow for better planning.
- **MPSERS:** \$96.8 million for community college retirement obligations. The Governor's recommended budget continues to provide state support for retirement contributions to the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System (MPSERS), providing fiscal stability to community colleges. This includes the continuation of the MPSERS stabilization payment, and a new payment to colleges to reduce the effective percent of payroll they must contribute to the system from 20.96% down to 20%.

Executive Budget Recommendation

Student Financial Aid

- **Community College Guarantee:** Creation of the Community College Guarantee within the Michigan Achievement Scholarship. This will cover last dollar tuition costs for all Michigan high school graduates while they work toward an associate degree or skilled certificate at a Michigan community college. Additionally, the Community College Guarantee will provide \$1,000 to students with higher financial need on top of tuition and fees, to offset costs like food, housing, transportation, and child care. Once fully implemented, the Community College Guarantee is expected to save over 18,000 students up to \$4,820 on tuition each year.
- **Reconnect:** \$62 million for Michigan Reconnect, continuing to provide a tuition free pathway for adult learners 25+, with increased student support and interventions for non-traditional students (plus the ongoing expansion for adults 21-24 using federal funds).
- **TANF:** The Governor's recommended budget removes \$127.8 million federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) funds from the Tuition Incentive Program, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, and Michigan Tuition Grant and replaces it with general fund to comply with federal rules that would prohibit TANF dollars for college scholarships.

Executive Budget Recommendation

Workforce Training

- **Going Pro:** \$20 million for Going Pro (general fund) to further expand employer-based training that results in industry recognized credentials and certificates. This investment is in addition to the \$54.8 million (\$45.2 million general fund) provided on an ongoing basis for the program.
- **Talent Solutions:** \$20 million for Talent Solutions (general fund) to address current and future workforce needs. These funds will be used strategically to provide specialized economic assistance to businesses that are locating or expanding in Michigan, as well as to develop customized solutions to fill identified talent gaps in key industries.

MCCA Legislative Priorities

Revenue Sources



Vision

33.3% State Appropriations
33.3% Local Property Tax
33.3% Tuition and Fees



Reality

24% State Appropriations
39% Local Property Tax
33% Tuition and Fees
4% Other*

*Grants, contract revenue, investment income, rental income, indirect cost recovery, non-academic sales/fees

MCCA Legislative Priorities

Increase operations support for community colleges

- Increase and sustain state operations support for community colleges by investing an additional \$168 million over the next 4 years, a 10% increase per year, and afterwards maintain increases equal to the rate of inflation (FY25 \$35.7 million).

Update community college infrastructure

- Dedicate \$100 million for improvements to infrastructure, technology, equipment, maintenance and campus safety, and to develop affordable, on-campus housing where it is needed.

MCCA Legislative Priorities

Improve student success outcomes

- Expand opportunities for dual enrollment, establish student-friendly transfer pathways and ensure on-demand access to key data.

(MiLEAP)

Grow Michigan's talented workforce

- Dedicate funding for community colleges to develop workforce training and technical programs in partnership with employers in high-demand fields and purchase equipment for emerging industries.

(Executive Budget Recommendation, General Omnibus, Sec. 11-1004 Talent Solutions)

MCCA Legislative Priorities

Make community college affordable for all

- Make the Reconnect expansion to age 21 permanent.
(SB 406)
- Provide recent high school graduates the opportunity to attend community college tuition-free to earn a certificate, associate degree or transfer to a university.
(Executive Budget Recommendation, Education Omnibus, Sec. 248 Michigan Achievement Scholarship)
- Ensure our most vulnerable students have financial support for basic needs and non-tuition costs of attendance, including food, housing, transportation, technology and textbooks.
(Executive Budget Recommendation, Education Omnibus, Sec. 247 Reconnect and Sec. 248 Michigan Achievement Scholarship)

Sixty by 30 Grants



NEW COMPETITIVE GRANTS



Quick Start

College Success

Barrier Removal – Direct to Students






Barrier Removal – Growing Institutional Capacity

Reconnect Community Action Grants

Self-assessment, planning, elevation of student voice. Helping colleges hone their strategy for student success.	Three levels of grants that help colleges scale student success reforms and increase graduation rates.	Emergency grants and other direct aid to students to eliminate financial barriers to completion.	Developing supportive policies and practices for students struggling to meet basic needs.	Growing community support and partnership for post-secondary learning pathways.
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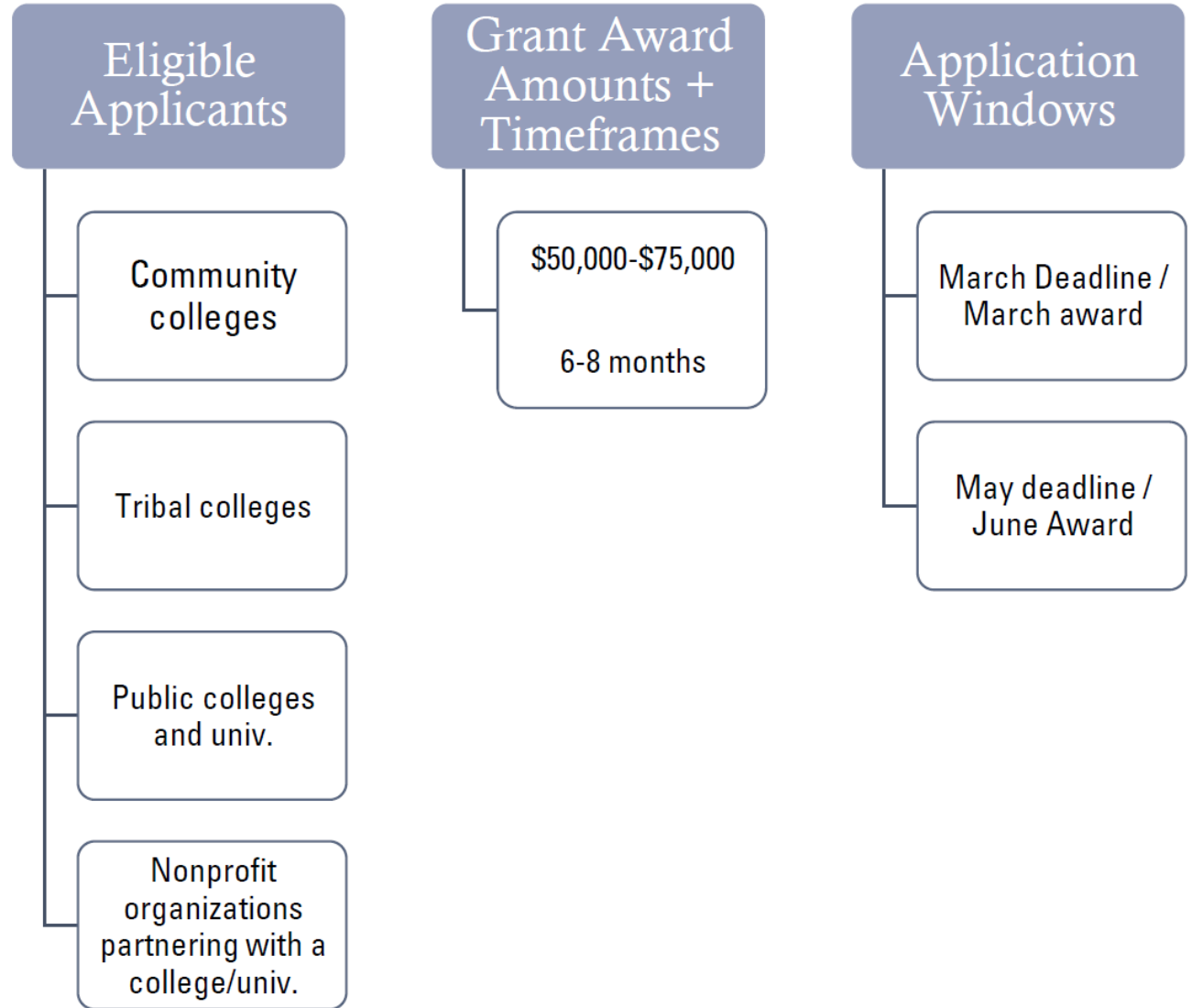
				
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QUICK START GRANTS

Funding to undergo an action-oriented assessment process to strengthen grounding in student experience and/or develop a coherent and strategic approach for removing institutional barriers to student success. Can also help prepare IHEs to apply for a larger grant in the College Success or Barrier Removal – Growing Institutional Capacity category in a later window.



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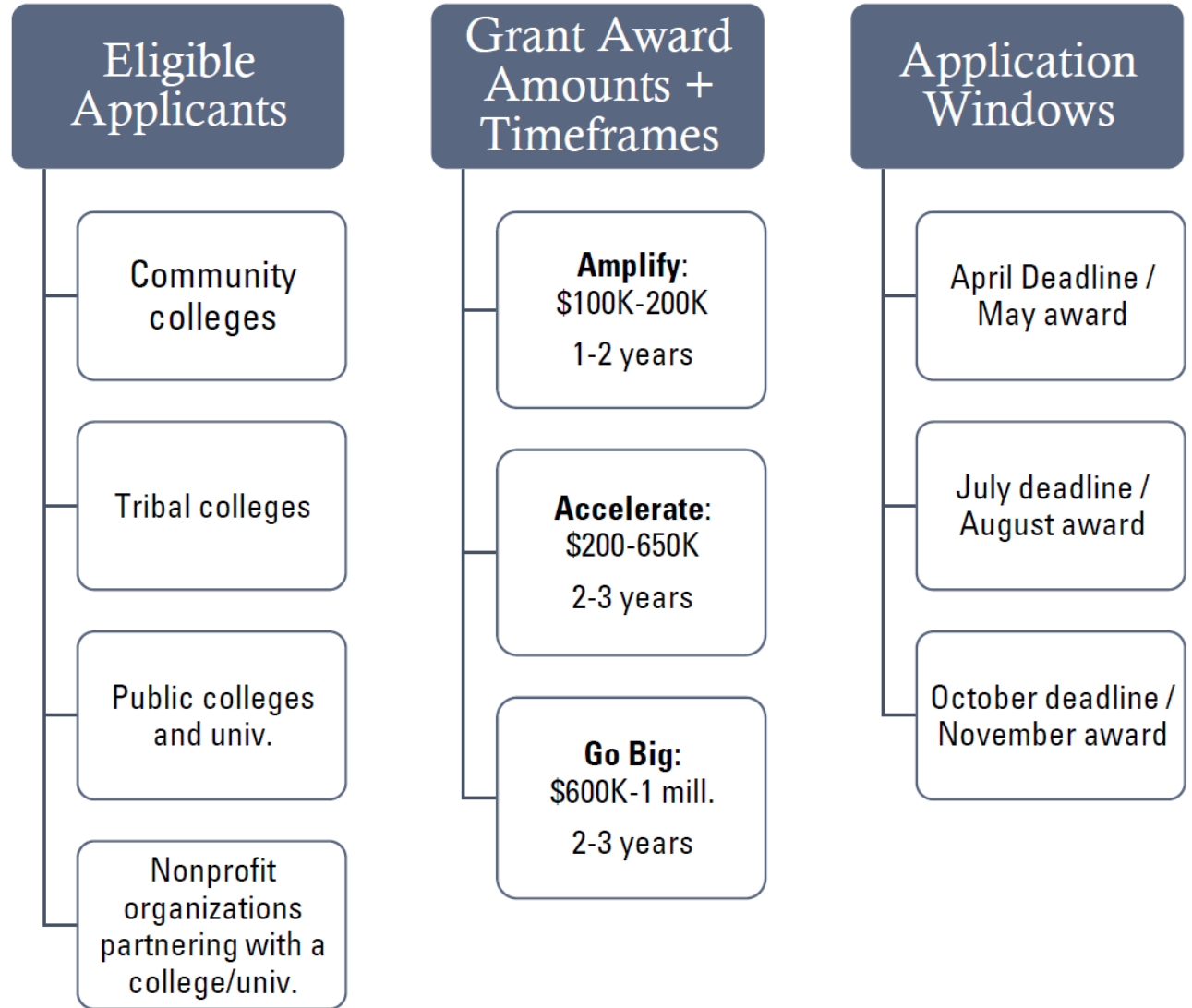
				
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COLLEGE SUCCESS GRANTS

Implementing, improving on, and scaling implementation of promising reforms of policy and practice associated with decreased time to credential, increased student persistence, improved completion rates for all learners, and the elimination of equity gaps.








ACCELERATE AND GO BIG GRANT ACTIVITIES

Successful proposals will likely include at least one of these areas of focus.



- Critical course success / gateway course redesign
 - Scaled reform of remediation (including placement reform, math pathways, and corequisite support)
 - Advising redesign / appreciative advising
 - Active academic support, advising, and tutoring
 - Strategic scheduling / implementation of 8-week courses / other scheduling reform
 - The spread and scale of high impact practices in teaching & learning (syllabus reform/assignment structure, assessment)
 - Scaled implementation of guided pathways reforms including the Ask, Connect, Inspire, Plan (ACIP) model of onboarding and supporting students
 - Institutional Research (IR) improvements focused on building a student success data and inquiry infrastructure
 - Institutional Technology (IT) improvements focused on building a student success infrastructure
 - Program redesign, including meaningfully stackable credentials aligned to local and regional labor market opportunities and needs
 - Transfer student success, credit mobility, and recognition of learning, including CPL
 - Student mental health
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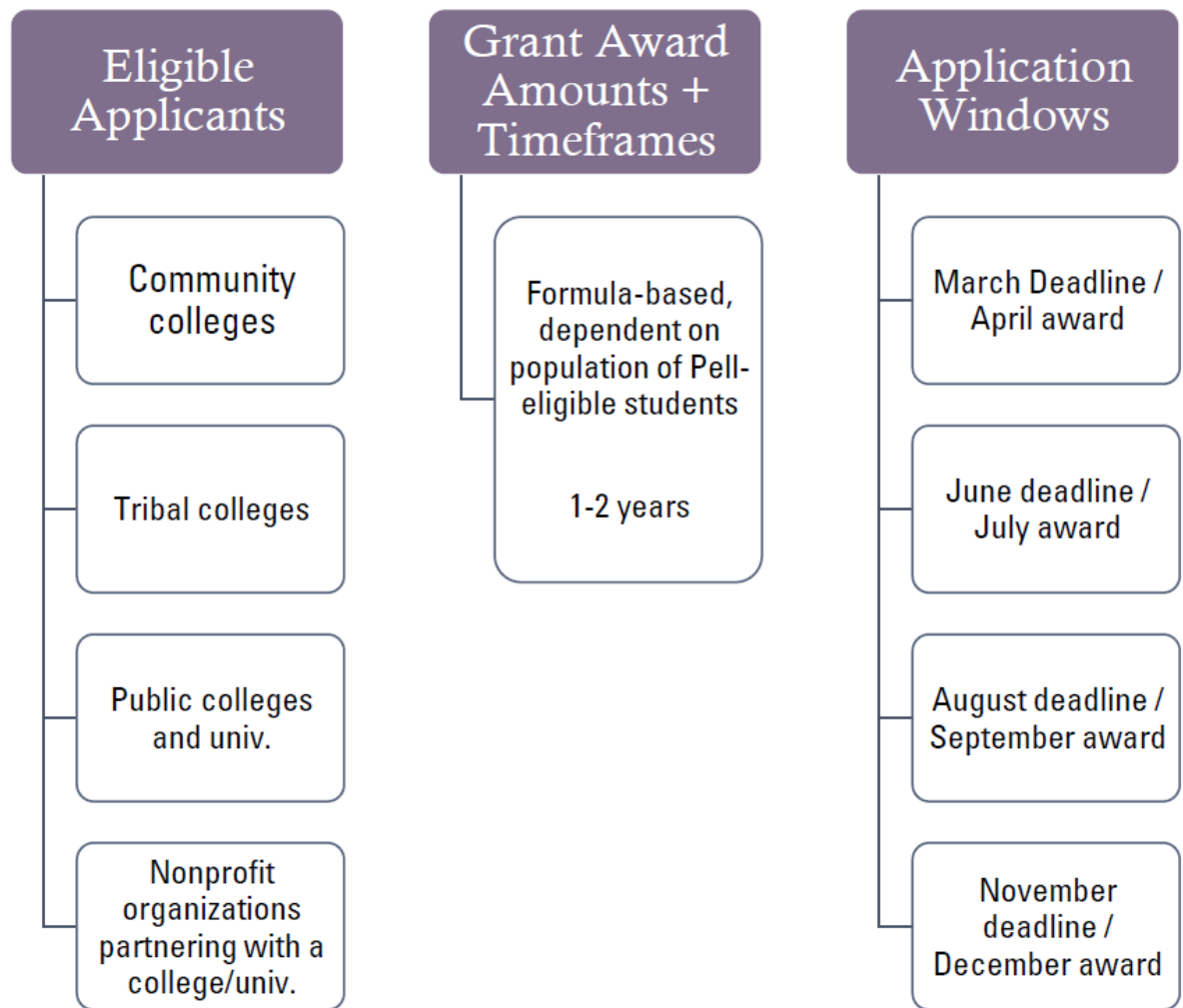
				
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BARRIER REMOVAL – DIRECT TO STUDENTS

Funding to provide emergency aid and other direct support to students aimed at removing life barriers such as childcare, transportation, housing, food, and costs for textbooks, internet, or other program supplies.



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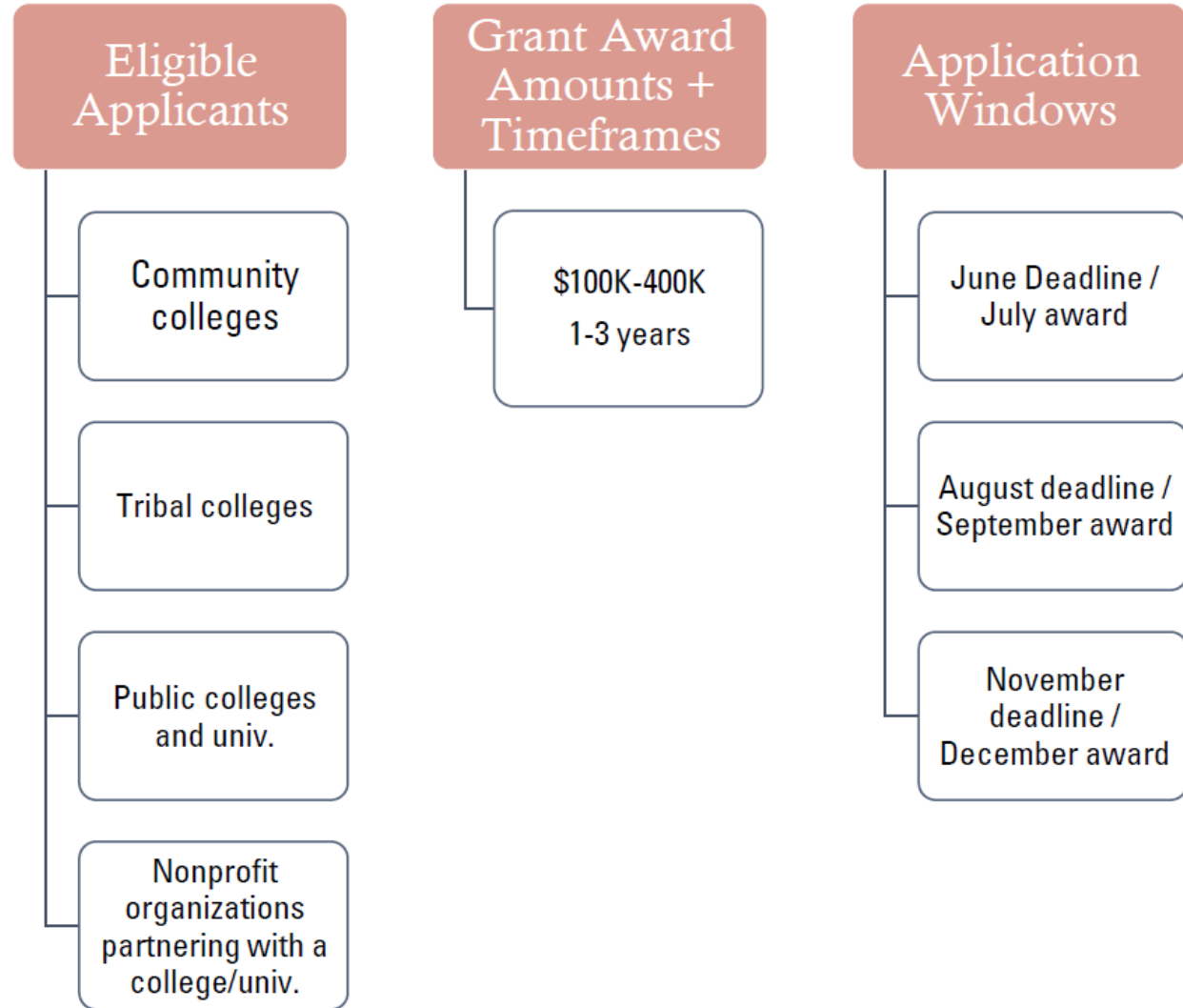
				
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BARRIER REMOVAL – GROWING INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY

Funding to strengthen institutional systems to eliminate barriers for students struggling to meet their basic needs.



NEW COMPETITIVE GRANTS



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subset of other categories



College Success

Three levels of grants that help colleges scale student success reforms and increase graduation rates.

\$12 million



Barrier Removal – Direct to Students

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\$7 million



Barrier Removal – Growing Institutional Capacity

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\$5 million



Reconnect Community Action Grants

Growing community support and partnership for post-secondary learning pathways.

\$10 million

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Grant Opportunities

Several agencies and organizations in Michigan are making grants to support community college student success efforts. Subscribe to receive regular updates on new grant opportunities.

SUBSCRIBE

Current Opportunities

Grant: Take Flight: Sixty by 30 Pitch Competition

Funding: \$2,500-\$10,000 prize

Deadline: June 28, 2024 (interest form must be completed before the deadline)



Student Success Resources



BUILDING BACK COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS IN MICHIGAN

Identifying Opportunities for
Enrollment Growth with K12 Partners.



College Access Dashboard Inquiry Guide

Professional Learning Space

Welcome to the professional learning space! As a Student Success Advocate, you'll find a wealth of resources and tailored lessons aimed at addressing the key areas that matter most to community college professionals. Our diverse modules cover a wide range of subjects, providing you with valuable knowledge and effective strategies to meet your students' unique needs. Feel free to explore any module that aligns with your learning goals and interests. Remember to complete all the lessons within each module to earn your well-deserved certificate of completion.

*** To increase lesson accessibility, at the bottom of each lesson are various icons. Select the "CC" icon for closed captions and the ellipses to enlarge the lesson and enter into full screen mode.

Module 1: Gateway Course Success

The lessons within this module will support student success advocates in increasing equitable completion of college-level mathematics and English.

[Lesson 1: Making the Case for Guided Self-Placement](#)

[Lesson 2: Guided Self-Placement: Recommendations from the Field](#)

[Lesson 3: Equitable Advising for Guided Self-Placement](#)

[Lesson 4: Collaborating and Communicating for Guided Self-Placement](#)



MICHIGAN NEW JOBS TRAINING PROGRAM

The Michigan New Jobs Training Program (MNJTP) is a local economic development initiative that has been serving employers since 2008. The program authorizes community colleges to temporarily capture the state income tax withholding associated with newly hired workers to pay for training.

281 employers served

32,247 projected new jobs under contract

LIVABLE WAGES The minimum eligible pay is equal to the county ALICE rate* in which a job is primarily performed.



If your company is planning on expanding and adding new jobs in the state of Michigan, the program can provide the **flexible funding** to meet an assortment of employee training and development needs **specifically designed** for your business. There is **no restriction** on employer size or industry, and funds can be used for a **broad range of training**, from short-term contract training to certificates and degrees.

**The county ALICE rate is equal to the minimum hourly rate necessary to pay the minimal estimate of the total household essentials for a household of 1 adult and 1 child in the county in which a job is primarily performed, based on the most recent household survival budget data provided by United for ALICE at unitedforalice.org.*

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