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TARGET AUDIENCE:

- Faculty, Staff, Administrators, and Students

HISTORY:

The Foundation for California Community Colleges was founded in 1998 to benefit, support, and enhance the missions of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors and Chancellor's Office. The Foundation's programs and services touch all 110 colleges and 72 districts.

DESCRIPTION:

The Foundation oversees and manages programs, grants, contracts, and services in areas such as: • Resource Development and System Support • Learning Programs and Workforce Development • Health Care Education • Fiscal Sponsorship • Data Services and Facilities Research • CollegeBuys Purchasing Program

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT:

- The Foundation sponsors all major awards given by the California Community Colleges System Office, such as the Hayward Award for Excellence and the Technology Leadership Award.
- The Foundation provides more than half a million in financial and in-kind support to the Community College system each year.
- The Foundation is the major source of funding for the Network of California Community College Foundations, which provides training, leadership, and networking opportunities for local foundations.

LEARNING PROGRAMS AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT:

- Bureau of Automotive Repair Technician Training program provides specialized smog checks for special vehicles at 34 Community College sites. Colleges benefit from the use of modern equipment and financial support for space sharing.
- Early College High School (ECHS) Initiative establishes partnerships between Community Colleges and local high schools to improve the high school and college graduation rates of students previously at risk of not completing college.
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families – Child Development Careers (TANF–CDC) helps prepare CalWORKs recipients interested in early care and education to become certified teachers.

- Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success (YESS) is a group of programs that provide services and volunteer opportunities to support the successful transition of foster youth to self-sufficiency.
- Career Pathway provides opportunities for students from accredited colleges and universities to attain part-time study-related employment at state agencies and other companies and organizations.
- Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success (YESS) is a group of programs that provide services and volunteer opportunities to support the successful transition of foster youth to self-sufficiency.
- Through the Public Service Career Pathway program, the Foundation hires students from accredited colleges and universities for part-time study-related employment at state agencies and other organizations.

HEALTH CARE EDUCATION:

- The Nursing Resource Center, which includes the Centralized Clinical Placement System and the Centralized Faculty Resource Center, is a Web-based suite of resources that aims to increase regional nursing education capacities.
- The Foundation's WellPoint Endowment for Nursing Education has provided seven community colleges with \$500,000 to expand their nursing programs, and set aside \$3 million for Flo's Cookie Jar, which provides emergency grants to nursing students.

FISCAL SPONSORSHIP:

The Foundation provides human resource accounting, financial recordkeeping and reporting, dissemination of funds, and additional administrative services for non-tax-exempt organizations.

DATA SERVICES AND FACILITIES RESOURCES:

- Facility Condition Assessments for Community Colleges were completed in 2003 and are updated on a three-year rotation.
- Facilities Utilization, Space Inventory Options Net (FUSION) is a system-wide database of all 60 million square feet of Community College facilities, and is used for planning and reporting.
- The Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Collaborative has created Web-based tools, maps, and resources used for planning and research.

COLLEGEBUYS/PURCHASING PROGRAMS:

- Purchasing offerings include: Microsoft Campus Agreement; Microsoft Faculty, Staff, Student Select; Adobe Campus Licenses; Adobe faculty, staff, and student purchasing; and ESRI site licenses.
- The Foundation provides competitively bid contracts that colleges can use to purchase discounted office supplies, furniture, and technology.

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