

Grants Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Awards, Allocations and
Funding

Office of Development and
Foundation



Southwestern Community College District



Institutional Mission, Vision and Values

Mission Statement

Southwestern Community College District is the premier public institution of higher education in Southern San Diego County that serves a diverse community of students by providing quality academic programs, comprehensive student support services that ensure equitable access and clear pathways to student success.

Southwestern Community College District promotes learning and success to prepare students to become critical thinkers and engaged life-long learners/global citizens. The District is committed to continuous improvements through the use of data-informed planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Southwestern Community College District utilizes a variety of instructional modalities to provide educational and career opportunities in the following areas: Associate degree and certificate programs, transfer, professional, technical and career advancement, foundational skills, personal enrichment, and continuing education.

Vision Statement

Southwestern College is the leader in equitable education that transforms the lives of students and communities.

Value Statements

Student Success - Southwestern College provides a student-centered environment, through equitable access, opportunity, support, and clear pathways that enable students to achieve their educational and professional goals.

Equity - Southwestern College intentionally identifies and removes barriers to cultivate success for all, and purposely addresses the effects of systemic inequities.

Scholarship - Southwestern College inspires students to become lifelong learners and responsible global thinkers.

Professional Excellence - Southwestern College continuously supports and educates all employees to ensure effective collaboration, support student success, and uphold the highest professional standards.

Cultural Proficiency - Southwestern College engages in cultural proficiency by providing a rich learning environment that embraces our cultural differences and experiences.

Sustainability of Stewardship - Southwestern College utilizes natural, financial and physical resources effectively, equitably, and respectfully.

Community - Southwestern College bridges the gap between higher education, civic engagement, and economic well-being to the community we serve.

Inclusionary Practices - Southwestern College actively honors and respects diversity to foster a safe and welcoming community where all are inspired to participate and realize a sense of belonging.

Definitions for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Diversity

Diversity is all differences and similarities including all human traits, experiences, beliefs, and backgrounds that make each individual unique.

Equity

Equity is intentionally identifying and removing barriers to ensure access and provide meaningful opportunities and support for all to succeed.

Inclusion

Inclusion is actively honoring and respecting diversity to foster a safe welcoming community where all are inspired to participate and realize a sense of belonging.

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2020-2021

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Grant Awards:

\$7.4 Million

Projects Funded:

20

Introduction:

The Office of Development and Foundation supports Southwestern Community College District (SCCD) faculty and staff in successfully obtaining external funding from federal, state, local and international governments and from private foundations. SCCD is also referred to as Southwestern College (SWC). We are pleased to report that during the Fiscal Year 2020–2021, SWC was awarded nearly \$7.4 million in supplemental funding to support 20 projects that otherwise would not have been possible through the College District's state appropriations.

This funding provided a wide range of exceptional advantages including funding for academic, career, and technical interests of SWC students. Grant projects included the following areas of educational and community capacity building:

- Workforce preparation and economic development activities and programs, including the delivery of management services, training, and advising to small businesses that have been impacted during the coronavirus outbreak;
- An innovative learning environment for students within science, technology, engineering & mathematics (STEM) majors; improving student persistence, retention, and providing mentored pathways for student success from community college to graduate school; increasing diversity and inclusion in STEM fields by engaging students in NASA missions and research;
- Scholarships/stipends for students to complete their educational interests and/or degrees;
- Programs to support student success by providing child-care for those who financially qualify;
- Community and business/industry partnerships that strengthen College District programs, advance its mission, and provide opportunities for enriched student learning;
- Partnerships with universities/colleges to create pathways for students interested in the education field;

- Funding for the Southwestern College Police Department to gather mass communications technology in the event of an active shooter incident;
- Services and advocacy for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
- Educational programs that support dental care for community members;
- Funding to support a mobile computer lab to help bridge the technology divide created by the pandemic;
- Implementation of a direct assessment competency-based education (CBE) associate degree program;
- Services and programs for undocumented students and Veteran students, and their families.

2020-2021 Grant Projects

Academic Affairs Division

Higher Education Center (HEC), National City

Small Business Development Centers: U.S. Small Business Administration (1/1/21 – 12/31/22)



The U.S. Small Business Administration granted a one-year continuation award in the amount of \$1,272,346 for the project entitled San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) program. The project's primary objective is to provide consulting and training services for businesses throughout San Diego and Imperial Counties. With these funds, the SBDC assists small businesses in starting and/or expanding their business through one-on-one advising and training. This is done in part via sub-awards to the network's eight sub-awardees.

(Disabled veteran- and African American-owned Amerivet Contracting diversified and pivoted quickly during the pandemic with the SBDC's help, and the business has achieved both private and public sector contracts in excess of a million dollars.)

Procurement Technical Assistance Center: Defense Logistics Agency, Office of Small Business Programs (4/1/21 – 12/31/21)

The Defense Logistics Agency awarded \$519,831 to the San Diego, Orange, & Imperial Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC). Funds provide mentoring and training to assist San Diego County small businesses compete for local, state, and federal government procurements and contracts. Technical assistance includes counseling, training, and bid assistance. The funding also enables the PTAC to expand their services to Orange and Imperial Counties. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

Aquatic Center Grant Program: California Department of Boating and Waterways (4/10/20 – 4/24/24)



The California Department of Boating and Waterways granted funding in the amount of \$40,000 for the project entitled Aquatic Center Grant program. The funds were used to purchase marine/boating related equipment and provided supplemental funding in the form of scholarships for area youth to attend aquatic recreational and leadership development camps throughout the year. In addition, a portion of the funding was designated to support the annual

National Safe Boating Week Open House hosted by the Crown Cove Aquatic Center. Further, a small portion of the funding supported required attendance at the Division of Boating and

Waterways Annual Aquatic Directors meeting. The aforementioned equipment enhances services to SWC students and other participant populations through existing credit and non-credit courses and fee-funded programs. The grant funding covers a four-year cycle and is renewed every two years.

Women’s Business Ownership Assistance – Modification: U.S. Small Business Administration (4/1/18 – 9/29/22)

The U.S. Small Business Administration granted the Women’s Business Center \$150,000 to continue the work it started in April 2018. This grant provides additional funding for the Women’s Business Center for training and counseling to women entrepreneurs and small business owners in San Diego and Imperial County. Funds are being used to support personnel costs to achieve program goals, including training, counseling, and administration. The grant funding is for the third year of the project; however, the grant has a four-year timeframe. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

Women’s Business Center: California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development –Small Business Technical Assistance Expansion Program (TAEP) (10/1/20 – 9/30/21)

The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$1,827,000 to the San Diego & Imperial Women’s Business Center (WBC). Grant funds support the WBC, who acts as the fiscal agent for all 13 California’s WBC’s. Each WBC is receiving funds to expand their business assistance services and to provide business training and counseling to women entrepreneurs throughout the state. The grant funding is for the third year of the project; however, the grant has a four-year timeframe.



San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Network: California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development – Capital Infusion Program (CIP) (10/1/20 - 9/20/21)



The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$251,100 to the San Diego and Imperial SBDC Network to assist small businesses in obtaining Capital Infusion, the acquisition of funding for business operations, and growth. This includes Small Business Administration (SBA) loans, non-SBA loans, non-traditional lending, and non-owner equity investment. This grant supports the San Diego & Imperial SBDC in the delivery of business management services to small businesses located in San Diego and Imperial Counties.

(Shores Buddies, a toy company owned by Malte Niebelschuetz, used the SBDC’s guidance to pivot to e-commerce during the pandemic and saw an 80% sales increase since 2020. He also earned a \$100,000 capital investment for inventory funding, which helped this environmentally focused business.)

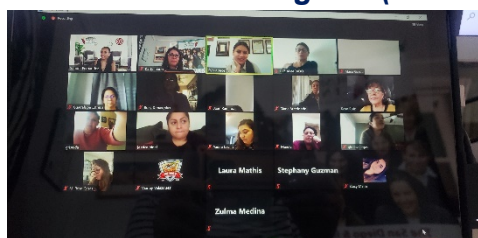
San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Network: California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development – Small Business Technical Assistance Expansion Program (10/1/20 – 9/30/21)

The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$1,252,875 to the San Diego and Imperial SBDC Network to expand business assistance services, including business training and counseling to entrepreneurs and small business owners.

Neighborhood Business Improvement Program: Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) San Diego (CDBG Sub-Award) (7/1/19 - 6/30/21)

The Local Initiatives Support Corporation awarded \$37,283 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Network. The grant funding is for the second year of the project.

Women’s Business Center: San Diego Foundation – San Diego County Childcare Provider Grant Program (8/31/20 – 11/15/20)



The San Diego Foundation awarded \$5,000 to the Women’s Business Center for outreach, language support, technical support, and general assistance to support family childcare providers in applying to the San Diego County Childcare Provider Grant Program. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

(The San Diego & Imperial Women’s Business Center offers their childcare provider education course online during the pandemic, assisting future entrepreneurs in running their own childcare businesses during COVID-19 and beyond.)

San Diego County Employees Charitable Organization (CECO) (1/1/21 – 10/31/21)

The San Diego County Employees Charitable Organization (CECO) awarded \$2,166 to the Dental Hygiene program at the Higher Education Center – National City. The grant supports the dental hygiene simulation lab and enables 81 students to provide clinical care to community members. This will enable the dental hygiene lab to provide infection control measures and support teaching strategies for proper hand hygiene for clinical application. Grant funding supports two free-standing portable hand sinks to perform proper hand hygiene in the lab. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.



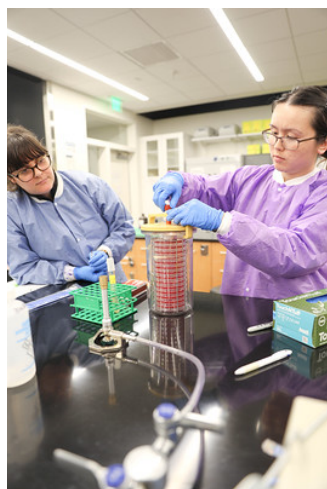
School of Language, Literature, and Humanities

Developing Effective Bilingual Educators with Resources (DEBER): U.S. Department of Education (subcontract with San Diego State University Research Foundation) (10/1/20 - 9/30/21)

The U.S. Department of Education awarded \$40,000 to SWC to increase the pipeline of culturally diverse, under-represented students who plan to pursue an elementary, middle, or high school teaching credential with a bilingual authorization and enter the teaching profession. This grant application was submitted by San Diego State University, and we are the sub-recipient.



School of Mathematics, Science and Engineering



Mentored Pathways from Community College to Graduate School and Chemistry Careers: National Science Foundation (NSF) - Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Program (S-STEM) (10/1/19 - 9/30/24)

The School of Math, Science and Engineering received a NSF total award of \$3,230,840 to implement and study a mentored, undergraduate research-centered pathway for chemistry and biochemistry students from SWC through San Diego State University and on to graduate school and/or STEM careers. Grant funds are being used to provide scholarships, summer research internships and a variety of supports for SWC students. The grant funding is for the second year of the project; however, it has a five-year timeframe.

Math Persistence Through Inquiry and Equity (mPIE): National Science Foundation (NSF) - Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program (HSI Program) (6/1/20 - 5/31/25)



The School of Math, Science and Engineering received a NSF award of \$1,016,000. Math Persistence through Inquiry and Equity (mPIE) is a collaborative research and development project that addresses the critical transitions and teaching and learning in STEM priority areas of the NSF's IUSE-HSI Program. Grant funds are used to conduct educational research in math gateway classes and provide professional development to math instructors with the goal of improving student persistence and success in math. As a part of the grant activities, 10,000 students will be enrolled in recently transformed gateway mathematics courses. By improving gateway mathematics courses, this

project will contribute to the societal benefit of broadening participation in STEM majors and careers. The grant is a partnership between SWC and San Diego State University. The grant funding is for the second year of the project; however, it has a five-year timeframe.

NASA Community Aerospace Scholars (NCAS) program (2020-2024)



The NASA Community Aerospace Scholars (NCAS) program awarded \$25,000 to the MESA (Mathematics Engineering Science Achievement) program.

Southwestern College is among 11 nation-wide community colleges selected to participate in the NCAS program, which aims to increase diversity and inclusion in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields by implementing NASA's evidence - based NCAS model. The program engages students in NASA missions and research through a blended learning experience of online research and activities and powerful connections to NASA-affiliated research labs, museums, industry partners and NASA internships. The awards come as a cross-program collaboration between Minority University Research Education Project (MUREP) and NASA National Space Grant College and Fellowship Project, both projects are part of NASA STEM Engagement programs. This grant is a sub-award made by University of California, San Diego.

Student Affairs Division

School of Counseling & Student Support Programs

The Southwestern College Dreamer Project: Community Initiatives (7/1/20 – 6/30/21)

Community Initiatives awarded a third year of funding of \$100,000 to the SWC Dreamer Center that serves as a central point that connects SWC's undocumented students and their families to a full spectrum of services and programs. Grant funds are being used towards a full-time Project Specialist, programming, workshops, trainings, and conferences for families, as well as outreach, marketing, and office expenses. The grant funding is for the third year of the project, and in its final year of funding.





Currently and Formerly Incarcerated Students Reentry Program: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) Division of Educational Services - Currently and Formerly Incarcerated Students Reentry Program (7/1/19 - 12/31/21)

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) awarded \$113,636 to SWC to help students in the Restorative Justice program navigate/obtain wraparound support. Grant funds are being used to hire three Project Specialists who will provide transitional support services through the coordinated effort of the Office of Student Equity Programs & Services. The personnel are supporting currently and formerly incarcerated students to self-identify and seek available support and valuable resources to help them succeed. The grant funding is for the second year of the project; it has a two-year timeframe.

Veteran's Services Office/Veterans Resource Center

Veteran's Resource Center Grant Program: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (10/1/18 – 12/31/21)



The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office awarded \$200,000 to SWC to expand their services to current Veteran students and increase the number of Veterans who enroll at SWC. Grant funds are being used to fund a Veterans Outreach Technician, the peer-to-peer tutoring program, and to refurbish and upgrade the Veterans Resource Center (including the creation of an additional private room for counseling/benefit certification and the expansion of the computer lab). This is the third and final year of grant funding.

Higher Education Center (HEC), Otay Mesa and San Ysidro

Child Care Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS): U.S. Department of Education – Office of Postsecondary Education (10/1/18 – 9/30/22)



The U.S. Department of Education granted four-years of funding in the amount of \$599,600 for the Child Care Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) project at the SWC Child Development Center (CDC). Campus-based childcare services are offered to SWC students who are Pell Grant eligible by providing an opportunity for future educational success. This grant enables the CDC to augment its existing services and provide childcare at a reduced cost for twenty Pell Grant eligible students (per academic year) with children ages three to five years old. Grant funds are being used for personnel devoted to the CCAMPIS program.

Business and Financial Affairs

San Diego Campus Violence Prevention Consortium: United States Department of Justice – Office of Violence Against Women (10/1/18 – 9/30/21)

The U.S. Department of Justice awarded \$750,000 to SWC, to be the lead agency of a consortium of five colleges and universities, community-based victim advocates and local prosecutors. The consortium partners include: San Diego City Attorney’s Office, Domestic Violence and Sex Crimes Unit, Center for Community Solutions (CCS), Palomar Community College, Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego State University, and National University. SWC and its consortium members will provide education to students and staff, establish ongoing prevention efforts, and provide services for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking on the partner campuses, particularly for underserved populations. The grant has a three-year timeframe.

Academic Affairs

California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO): Competency Based Education (3/1/21 – 1/31/25)

The California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) awarded \$515,000 to Southwestern College to support the implementation of a direct assessment competency-based education (CBE) associate degree program. Grant funds will be used to establish an infrastructure to explore and develop CBE programs as part of the Collaborative.



(SWC faculty, administrators, and classified professionals attended the July 15, 2021 Direct Assessment Competency-Based Education Collaborative Kick-off Webinar. SWC is one of eight colleges participating in the Collaborative to bring CBE to our community college system.)

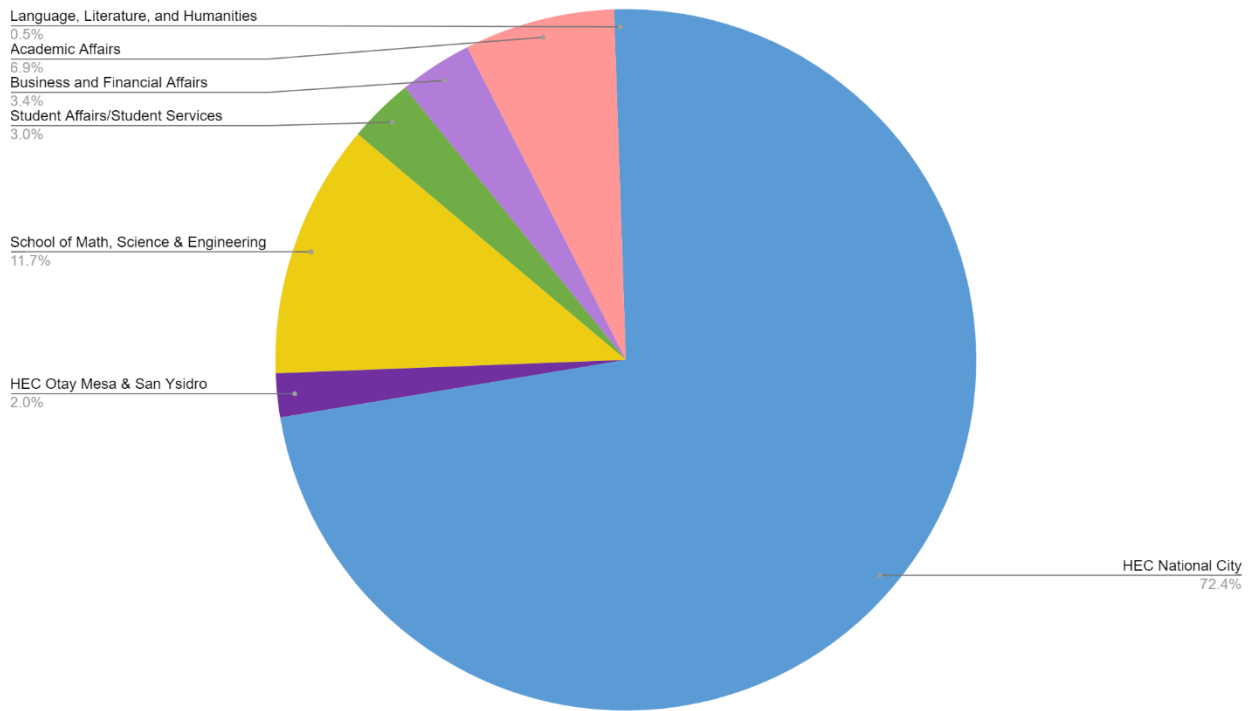
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Grant Administration

Grant Administration by Department/Unit/Program

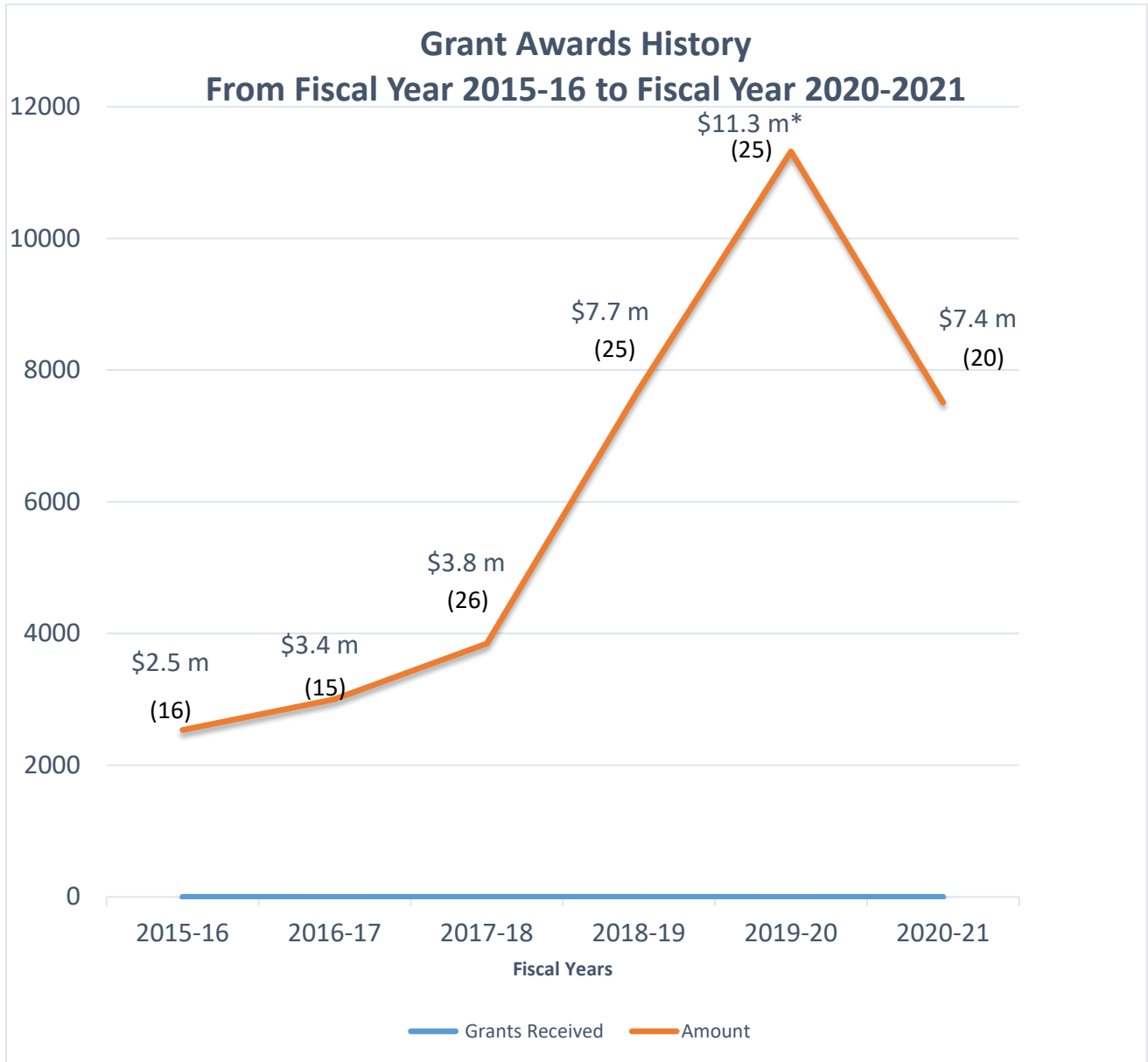
The following College District departments/units/programs have generated grant funded projects for the 2020-2021 fiscal year:

GRANTS ADMINISTRATION BY DEPARTMENT/UNIT/PROGRAM



Summary Report

Grant Awards History



*Peak in total amount of grant funding for Fiscal Year 2019/20 was due to one-time COVID-19 funding.

2020-2021 *Grants*



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