

Grants Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

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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2021-2022 SNAPSHOT

Grant Awards:

\$8.1 Million

Projects Funded:

32

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 2021–2022, SWC was awarded approximately \$8.1 million in supplemental funding to support 32 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, including women-owned businesses;
- 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 childcare 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;

- Academic and career engagement between students, faculty, and industry, to promote academic success for Hispanic and low-income students through a Second-Year Experience program, faculty professional development, and strengthening of student financial literacy;
- Implementation of a direct assessment competency-based education (CBE) associate degree program;
- Services and programs for the YES Academy, Jag Kitchen Food Pantries, Southwestern College (SWC) Cares Program;
- Emergency grants to provide low-income students who face financial challenges with cash awards to assist them with books, school supplies, rent, and more.

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2021-2022 Grant Projects

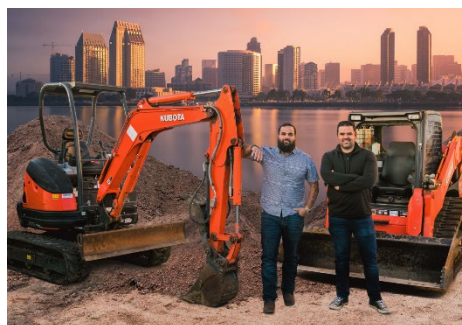
Academic Affairs Division

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. This is year two of a four-year award.

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 \$1,335,972 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 more than a million dollars.)

Procurement Technical Assistance Center: Defense Logistics Agency, Office of Small Business Programs (4/1/22 – 12/31/22)

The Defense Logistics Agency awarded \$289,651 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 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.

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 (TAEP) (10/1/21 – 9/30/23)

The California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$1,336,500 to the San Diego and Imperial SBDC Network to expand business assistance services, including business training and counseling to entrepreneurs and small business owners.

Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC): California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development – Small Business Technical Assistance Expansion Program (TAEP) (10/1/21 – 9/30/22)

The California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$211,222 to the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) to expand full-time services to Orange and Imperial Counties. The PTAC provides technical assistance to small businesses to help them win government contracts.

Women's Business Center: California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development –Small Business Technical Assistance Expansion Program – Supplemental Funding (TAEP) (4/1/22 – 5/9/22)

The California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$53,201 in supplemental funding 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.



San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Network: California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development – Capital Infusion Program (CIP) (10/1/21 - 9/30/22)



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.)

Women's Business Center: Women Give San Diego (7/1/21 – 6/30/22)



Women Give San Diego awarded \$30,000 to the Women's Business Center to provide digital training and one-on-one assistance to family childcare providers requiring outreach, language support, technical support, and general assistance, to successfully apply to the San Diego County Childcare Provider Grant Program. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

(The Women's Business Center hosted a CPR class for the Childcare providers)



Small Business Majority (7/12/21 – 12/31/22)

The Small Business Majority awarded \$380,000 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to develop a new curriculum for an intensive program to assist diverse small businesses to obtain contracts from large companies in California, including training other SBDC Networks, and delivering a pilot program.

City of San Diego, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) (1/1/22 – 6/30/23)

The City of San Diego awarded \$337,144 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network to provide entrepreneurship training and counseling to help low-to-moderate income residents of the City of San Diego start new businesses. Existing micro-enterprises will be assisted through business counseling to grow their businesses.

City of San Diego, CARES Act Revolving Loan Fund (1/1/22 – 6/30/23)

The City of San Diego awarded \$199,093 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network to provide financial fitness counseling and training for small business owners who have been impacted by the pandemic. One of the main barriers to receiving federal or state COVID-19 relief funds was a lack of proper financial records for the business. This program will assist business owners with bookkeeping, accounting, understanding their credit, and more.

City of San Diego, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Microgrant Capacity Building Program (7/1/21 - 6/30/22)

The City of San Diego awarded \$13,000 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network to provide capacity building assistance to nonprofit organizations that support small businesses recovering from economic hardship due to the COVID-19 emergency.

County of San Diego – Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant Program (1/1/22 - 12/31/22)

The County of San Diego awarded \$100,000 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network to provide capacity building assistance to nonprofit organizations that support small businesses recovering from economic hardship due to the COVID-19 emergency.

Sierra West Health Foundation (8/1/21 - 5/31/22)

The Sierra West Health Foundation awarded \$150,000 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network to be the regional lead for San Diego and Imperial Counties, providing outreach to small businesses throughout California on health issues related to COVID-19. The funding will enable the SBDC's sub-contractors to reach out to small business owners regarding health and safety protocols. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.



State of California, Employment Training Board, Social Entrepreneurs for Economic Development (6/1/22 - 5/31/24)

The State of California, Employment Training Board awarded \$1,492,765 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network to manage a pilot program, through which refugees, recent migrants, DACA recipients, and other non-English speaking entrepreneurs will be able to complete multi-week, in language, training programs. Upon completion, they will be eligible to receive a grant up to \$7,500 to start and operate their business. The International Rescue Committee (IRC) SBDC, Asian Business Association (ABA) SBDC, and the South San Diego SBDC will provide the trainings. East County SBDC (East County EDC) will be the grant maker, being licensed as a California Lender. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

The California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls (CCSWG), Women's Recovery Response Grant (3/1/22 - 3/1/23)

The California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls awarded \$50,000 to the Women's Business Center. Grant funds will support the Women's Business Center's existing programming and direct services to accelerate women's economic recovery from the impact of COVID-19. It will also support activities intended to increase engagement/representation and improve economic security for women. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

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. This is year four of a four-year award.

County of San Diego, Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (NRP)- District 4 Office (7/1/21 – 6/30/22)



The County of San Diego, Neighborhood Reinvestment Program awarded \$20,000 to support student success programs at the Southwestern College Higher Education Center in San Ysidro (SWC HECSY). Funds benefit the Jag Kitchen Food Pantry, which is aimed at assisting students facing food insecurity. Funds also underwrite 24 laptops and headsets for a mobile computer lab to help bridge the technology divide created by the pandemic. This funding helped our students, who have been financially affected by COVID-19, to meet their basic needs and promote their academic success as they transition to hybrid learning of in-person and online classes. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

San Diego Foundation - Basic Needs & College Success (6/9/22 – 6/30/23)



The San Diego Foundation awarded \$50,000 to Southwestern College to provide support for students by means of CARES Emergency grants and Jag Kitchen food and supplies. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

The Coeta and Donald Barker Foundation Nursing Scholarship Program (7/1/21 to 6/30/22)

The Coeta and Donald Barker Foundation awarded \$30,000 to the nursing program at the Higher Education Center - Otay Mesa. This funding enabled the nursing program to provide two-year scholarships for eight nursing students in the 21-23 Southwestern College Nursing Program. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

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 an 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 third 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 third 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 a total of \$62,500 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.

National Science Foundation (NSF): ALRISE Alliance – Accelerating Latino Representation in STEM Education (Arizona State University subcontract) (6/1/21 – 6/30/26)

The National Science Foundation awarded \$667,000 to the School of Math, Science, and Engineering through a sub-award with Arizona State University, to establish Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) identity, increase intentionality, and deliver experiential learning. The ALRISE Alliance is built on an existing alliance of HSIs established through a five-year Kickstarter program, which created a strategic planning process (STEM-ESS) for establishing HSI Identity and improving intentionality in serving Latino students in STEM, including undergraduate research and internship experiences.

University of California, Office of the President, NextGen Smoke and Vape Free Latinx Scholars Program (3/1/22 – 2/28/26)

The University of California, Office of the President awarded a total of \$193,194 to the Mathematics, Engineering, Science (MESA Program) at Southwestern College. The project combines financial support with a structured, research-intensive mentoring program for 15 Southwestern College students, with a focus on tobacco-related health disparities and health equity. The goal is to build diverse and equitable cohorts of tobacco-related disease scholars. The project is a partnership with San Diego State University. This is year one of a four-year grant award.

California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Mathematics, Science and Engineering Achievement (MESA) (10/1/21 – 1/31/24)

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office awarded \$151,532 to the Southwestern College Mathematics, Science and Engineering Achievement (MESA) program. The purpose of the grant is to provide academic and support services for economically and educationally disadvantaged students majoring in calculus-based science, technology, engineering and/or mathematics fields who seek to transfer to four-year institutions to complete a baccalaureate degree. Grant funding will support student peer models, mentors and workers, counselors, tutors, clerical support, Academic Excellence Workshop (AEW) facilitators, retention specialist and clusters.

School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development

San Diego Foundation, San Diego County Summer of Learning and Joy (6/1/21 – 7/15/21)

The Y.E.S. Academy received \$19,500 from the San Diego Foundation – San Diego County Summer of Learning and Joy. This funding supports the Y.E.S. Academy, which is uniquely designed to create college and career pathways for 4th-12th grade students. Grant funds will cover staff costs (i.e., instructors, coordinators, and administrative staff); the fees for the online platform used for the courses; and marketing fees to promote the program throughout school

district systems like Peach Jar. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

Student Affairs Division

School of Counseling & Student Support Programs

County of San Diego, Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (NRP) - District 1 Office (11/2/21 – 11/1/22)



The County of San Diego awarded \$75,000 to support student success programs at Southwestern College, including the Jag Kitchen Food Pantry, which supports students facing food insecurity; the Cares program, that helps students in need of basic assistance; and our Learning Communities programs, linked classes that support groups of under-served students in their learning. Grant funding will provide a refrigerator and student workers for the Jag Kitchen; copier/printer and toner, book vouchers, meal cards, bus passes/gas cards

for the Learning Communities; and emergency grants and vouchers through the Cares program. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

Chula Vista Community Foundation (6/1/22 - 5/31/23)

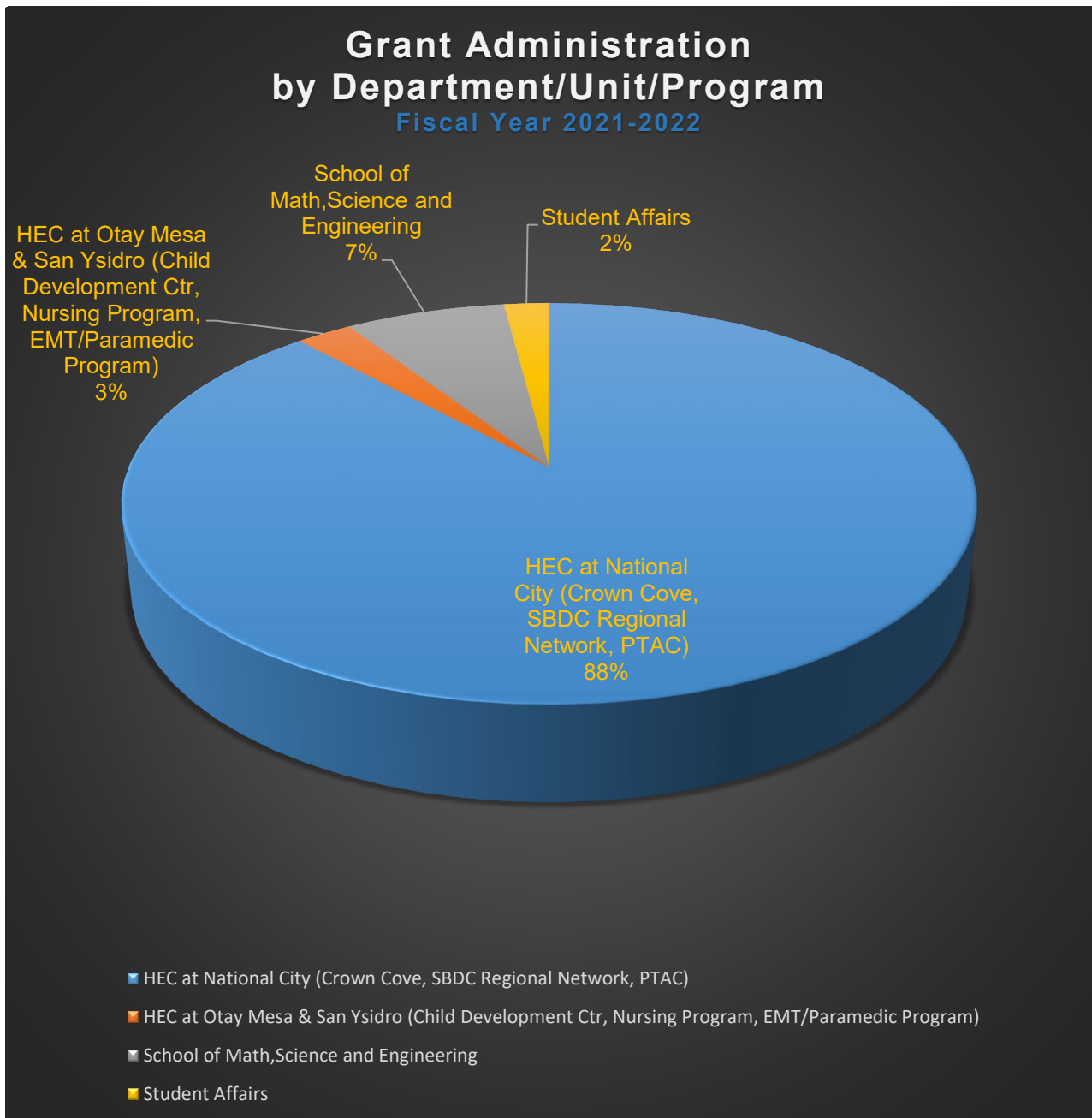
The Chula Vista Community Foundation awarded \$25,000 to Southwestern College. This program supports the success of Southwestern College students by providing support services, resources, and referrals through the Southwestern College CARES program. In addition, it will provide groceries and/or household items through our Jag Kitchen Food Pantry. It will also provide financial assistance to students in need, through Emergency grants. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

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Grant Administration

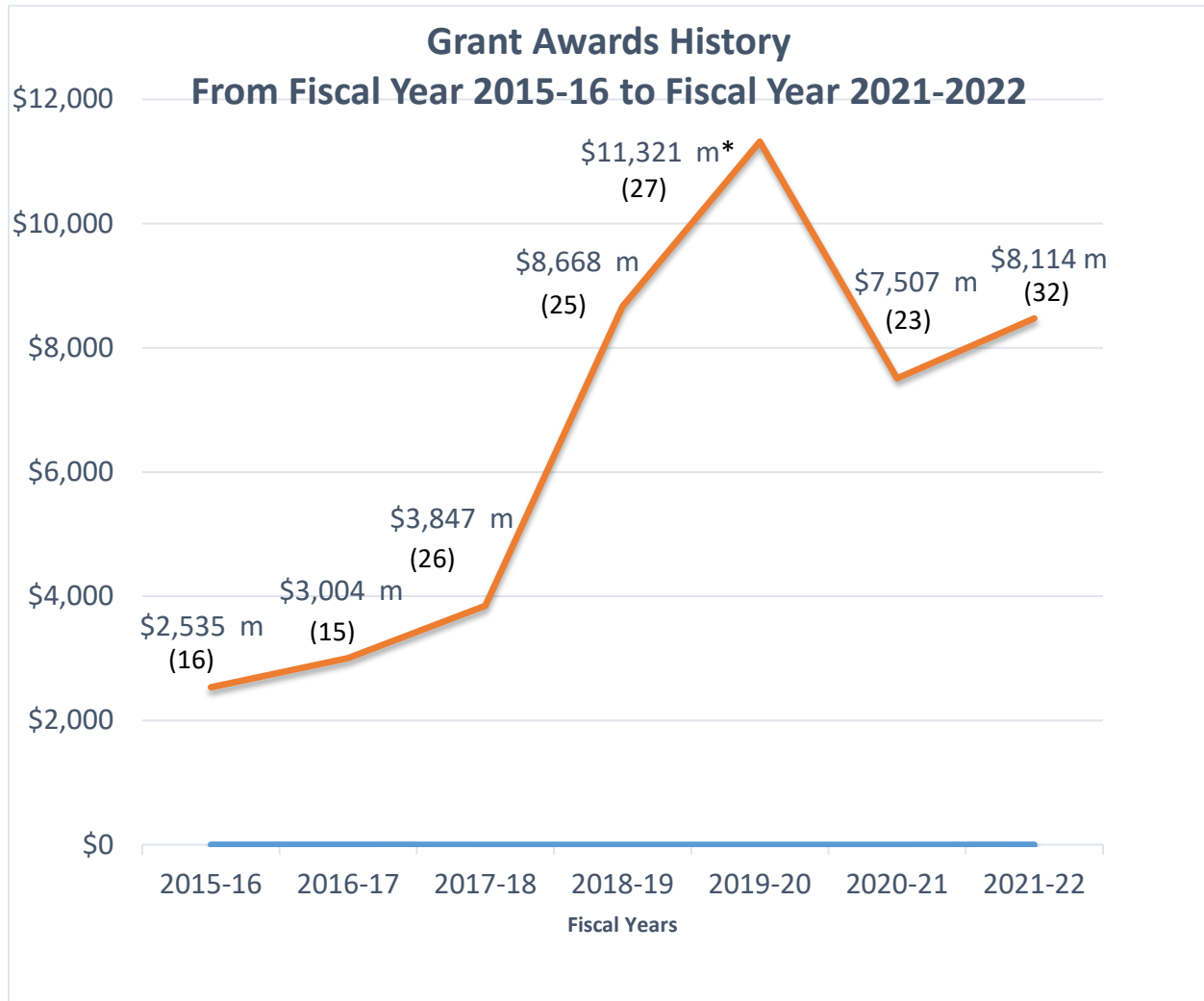
Grant Administration by Department/Unit/Program

The following College District departments/units/programs have generated grant funded projects for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:



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.

2021-2022 *Grants*



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