

# Grants Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Awards, Allocations and  
Funding

Office of Development and  
Foundation



Southwestern Community College District



# Institutional Mission, Vision and Values

## **Mission Statement**

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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**

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

## **Value Statements**

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**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**

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### **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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**2019-2020**

**SNAPSHOT**

Grant Awards:

**\$20 Million**

Projects Funded:

**26**

## 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 as Southwestern College (SWC). We are pleased to report that during the Fiscal Year 2019–2020, SWC was awarded nearly \$20 million in supplemental funding to support 26 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:

- Funding that enables our college district to provide emergency financial grants to students in need during COVID-19 pandemic;
- 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;
- Scholarships/stipends for students to complete their educational interests and/or degrees;
- 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;
- Services and programs for undocumented students and Veteran students, and their families.

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## 2019-2020 Grant Projects

### Academic Affairs Division

#### Higher Education Center (HEC), National City

##### ***Small Business Development Centers: U.S. Small Business Administration (1/1/19 – 12/31/20)***

The U.S. Small Business Administration granted a one-year continuation award in the amount of \$998,547 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 Imperial Regional Alliance, Mira Costa College, and the University of San Diego.



##### ***Procurement Technical Assistance Center: Defense Logistics Agency, Office of Small Business Programs (1/1/20 – 12/31/20)***

The Defense Logistics Agency awarded \$600,000 to the San Diego, Orange, & Imperial Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) for a project entitled PTAC. Funds are being used to provide mentoring and training to assist San Diego County small businesses to help them enter into, or 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.

***San Diego Contracting Opportunities Center: City of San Diego's Small Business Enhancement Program (7/1/19 – 6/30/20)***

The City of San Diego's Small Business Enhancement program funded a one-year project in the amount of \$24,000 for the project entitled, Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC). The funds provided public agency/government procurement and contracting technical assistance for local small and emerging businesses, which resulted in small business contract awards and job creation.



***Business Basics: City of San Diego Community Development Block Grant (7/1/19 – 6/30/20)***



The City of San Diego awarded the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Network \$346,934 to provide on-site workshops in five targeted low-to-moderate income neighborhoods (San Ysidro, Linda Vista, Barrio Logan/Logan Heights, Encanto/Southeastern San Diego, and City Heights) along with one-on-one counseling to assist micro-entrepreneurs to start and grow their own businesses.

***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 in order 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 second

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’s: California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development –Small Business Technical Assistance Expansion Program (TAEP) (10/1/19 – 9/30/20)***

The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$1,880,000 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.



***San Diego Contracting Opportunities Center: California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development – Small Business Technical Assistance Expansion Program (TAEP) (10/1/19 – 9/30/20)***

The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$307,406 to the San Diego Contracting Opportunities Center (SDCOC). This grant provides technical assistance to small business to help them win government contracts, which will result in small business contract awards and job creation. Project services include one-on-one mentoring, training, and bid matching services for small businesses to assist them in competing for and performing on government contracts. This grant also enables the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) to expand full-time services to Orange and Imperial Counties.

***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 (10/1/19 – 9/30/20)***

The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development awarded \$1,309,102 to the San Diego and Imperial SBDC Network in order 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 first year of the project; however, the grant has a two-year timeframe.

***San Diego & Imperial Small Business Development Center Network - COVID-19 Technical Assistance: Small Business Administration (4/1/20 - 3/31/21)***

The Small Business Administration awarded \$1,776,062 to the San Diego and Imperial Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Network in their efforts to support small business efforts during the COVID-19 public health crisis. This is a supplemental award for SWC to operate the San Diego & Imperial SBDC as the Lead Center, responsible for the delivery of resources to small businesses operating in the two counties of San Diego and Imperial. The SBDC supports job

creation and retention for nascent and existing small business owners within the small business community through effective, individualized, in-depth, entrepreneurial advice.

### ***San Diego and Imperial Women's Business Center - COVID 19 Small Business Assistance: Small Business Administration (5/1/20 - 4/31/21)***

The Small Business Administration awarded \$420,000 to the Women's Business Center in their efforts to support small businesses run by women, during the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant was awarded through the Women's Business Ownership Assistance program under the CARES Act. The Women's Business Center is a part of the Center for Business Advancement, and provides training and counseling to women entrepreneurs. The grant will enable them to support personnel costs to deliver the program (training, counseling, and administration). Southwestern College Foundation is 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) (10/1/19 - 9/30/20)***

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**



### ***National Geospatial Technology Center of Excellence (GeoTech Center): National Science Foundation(NSF) (6/1/17 – 5/31/22)***

The School of Math, Science and Engineering received a National Science Foundation (NSF) Advanced Technology Education (ATE) sub award of \$277,420 (in year three), as part of the National Geospatial Technology Center of Excellence (GeoTech Center). The GeoTech Center

headquarters is located at Jefferson Community and Technical College in Louisville, Kentucky. The sub disciplines of Geospatial Technology (GST) include Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Remote Sensing (RS), Global Positioning Systems (GPS), Cartography, and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS). The grant provides educators with industry-relevant GST curricular resources and professional development opportunities. Grant funds are also being used to research emerging trends and uses of GST, develop and research best practices to recruit (and retain) underserved and underrepresented populations in GST and science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields,

help to expand and connect the GST community of users, and host annual student competitions in GST.

***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 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 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) 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 being 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. This effort will also result in generalizable knowledge about institutional change in STEM departments at two-year HSIs; results will be disseminated through research publications, workshops, network improvement communities, and professional development conferences. The grant is a partnership between SWC and San Diego State University and it has a five-year timeframe.



# 2019-2020 Grant Projects

## Student Affairs Division

### School of Counseling & Student Support Programs



#### ***Adelante Estudiante: Institute for Mexicans (IME) Abroad – Consulate General of Mexico (9/1/19 - 5/18/20)***

The Institute for Mexicans (IME) Abroad Consulate General of Mexico in San Diego provided funding in the amount of \$10,000 for a project titled Adelante Estudiante. This program addressed the education of Mexican immigrants and/or of Mexican-origin Dreamer students at SWC, and has existed for seven years. It provided students with valuable experiences and directions as they

pursued their educational goals. Participants were required to attend a series of workshops and submit an essay at the end of the program. After completing the program requirements, students received a scholarship.

#### ***The Southwestern College Dreamer Project: Community Initiatives (7/1/19 – 6/30/20)***

Community Initiatives awarded a second year of funding of \$115,000 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 second year of the project; however, the grant has a three-year timeframe.



#### ***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 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).

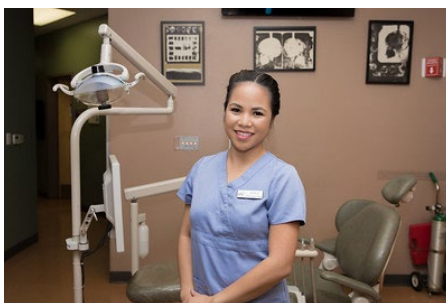
## **Higher Education Center (HEC), Otay Mesa and San Ysidro**

### ***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 child care 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.



### ***The Coeta and Donald Barker Foundation Nursing Scholarship Program (8/1/19 to 5/31/20)***



The Coeta and Donald Barker Foundation awarded \$32,000 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 2019-21 Southwestern College Nursing Program. Southwestern College Foundation was the applicant for this grant.

## 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. The consortium is a partnership between five local community 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.

### ***Emergency grants for students impacted by Coronavirus outbreak: United States Department of Education – Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund – Institutions of Higher Education (IHE's) (3/15/20 - 12/31/20)***



The United States Department of Education awarded \$9,253,264 to SWC under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund for IHE's. This grant enables institutions of higher education to provide emergency financial grants to students in need. The CARES Act provides several different methods for distributing roughly \$14 billion in funds to institutions of higher education. The most significant portion of that funding allocation provides that \$12.56 billion will be distributed to institutions using a formula based on student

enrollment. Fifty percent of the funds received can be used to provide emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care).

## Academic Affairs/Workforce Development

### ***Equitable Online Pathways for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Students: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office - Improving Online Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways Grant (7/1/19 - 12/31/20)***

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office awarded \$304,556 to SWC through the Improving Online Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways grant. The grant will result in six fully-online CTE certificates available to students, including 16 departmental master courses, in the areas of Computer Information Systems, Paralegal Studies, and Environmental Technology. Grant funds will be used to develop the fully-online CTE certificates, develop master courses for



departmental use, and establish a Peer Online Course Review process to boost online course quality, equitable teaching practices, and student success.

## Southwestern College Foundation

### ***Southwestern College (SWC) Cares Emergency Fund: San Diego Foundation - COVID-19 Fund (4/24/20 - 10/31/20)***

The San Diego Foundation awarded \$60,000 to the SWC Foundation to provide scholarships to students at SWC who have been impacted by layoffs and closures to the COVID-19 pandemic. Grant funds were distributed to 171 students who received approximately \$350 each, through the SWC Cares Emergency grants. Students will receive the help to ensure that their basic needs are supported, including food insecurity, essential living expenses, rent and utility payment support, and other emergent needs.

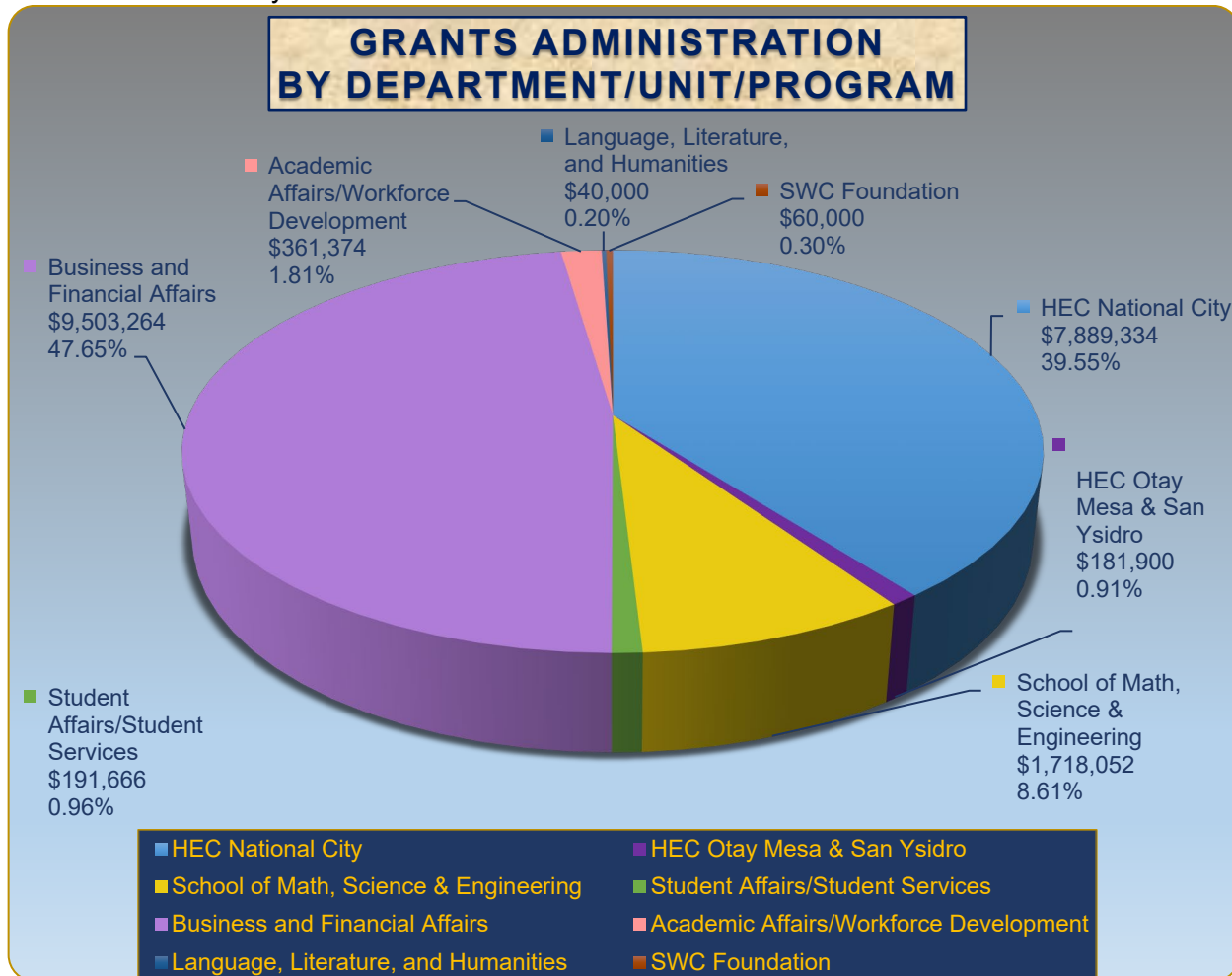


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## Grant Administration

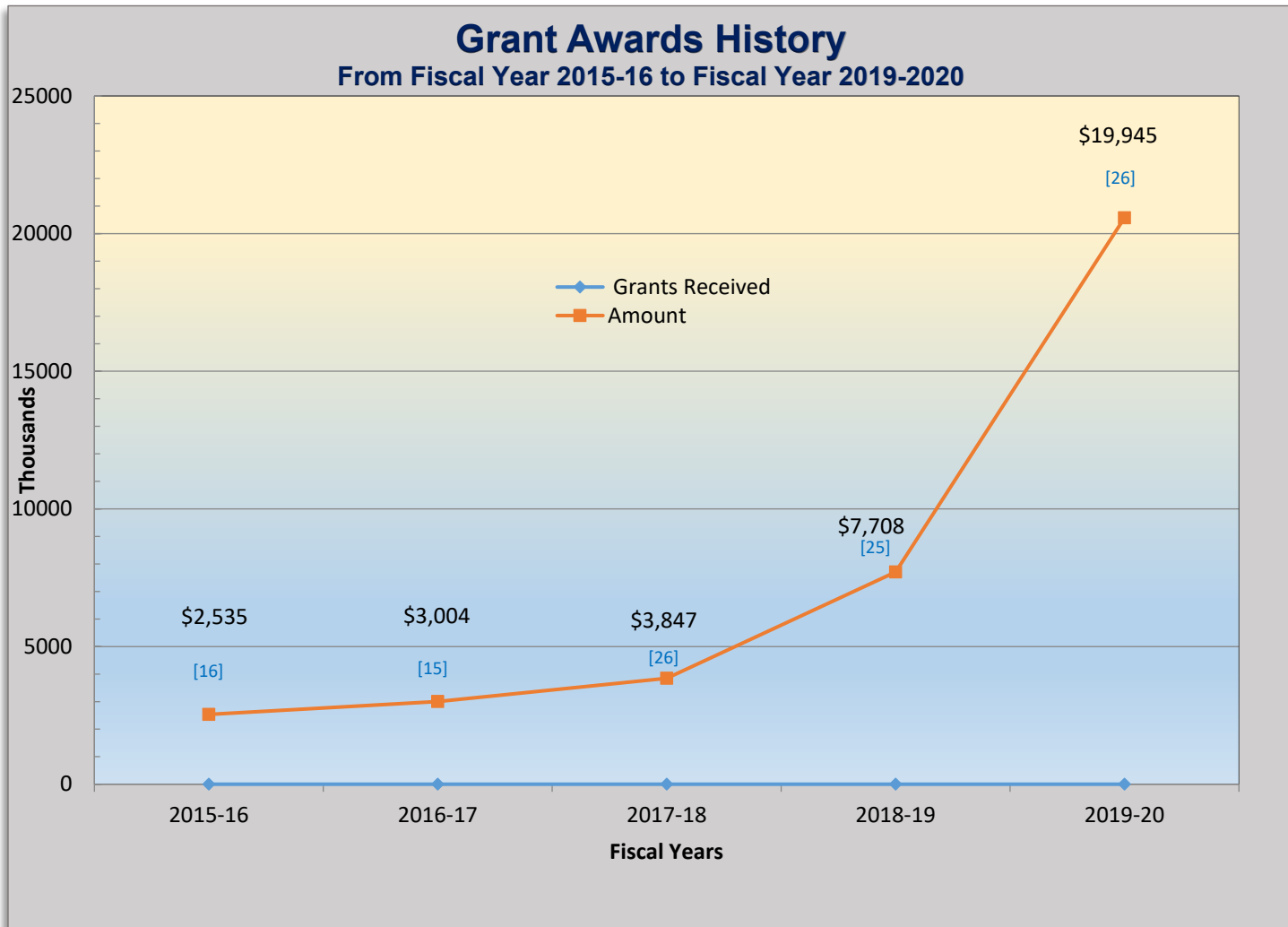
### Grant Administration by Department/Unit/Program

The following College District departments/units/programs have generated grant funded projects for the 2019-2020 fiscal year:



# Summary Report

## Grant Awards History





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