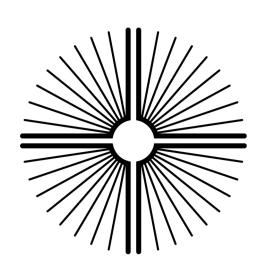
## Leveraging National Support for California Community College Initiatives





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### Leveraging National Support for California Community College Initiatives

#### **Outline of this Presentation**

- **□Community College Consortium Advocacy**
- **□Community College Centers of Excellence**
- □National Resources to Advance Top Ten Sector Priorities for CCCCO Doing What Matters for Jobs and the Economy

## Community College Consortium Advocacy

#### Justification for this Approach

- □It's challenging to accomplish results on a national level for any individual institution. Rules prohibit directing funds to most site-specific projects.
- □Combinations or consortiums of institutions can achieve results where there are common objectives
- ☐ We are advocating for creation of new national programs to benefit members of college consortiums

# The University Centers of Excellence Model

#### **Precedent for Community Colleges**

There are numerous federally-funded university centers of excellence (COE) geared toward research and development

Community colleges generally have not benefited from COE programs

We are advancing community college COE programs geared toward workforce development and technical education

Several of these community college COE programs have recently been enacted

## Community College Centers of Excellence

#### **Potential Uses of COE Funding**

- □ Faculty recruitment, professional development and salary supplementation
- □ Recruiting students traditionally underrepresented in technical education
- □Promoting guided pathways from high school to college and from associate to baccalaureate degrees
- **□**Training incumbent workers
- □Acquiring technology & equipment

## TOP TEN SECTOR PRIORITIES

POTENTIAL
FOR
LEVERAGING
NATIONAL
RESOURCES

### **CCCCO Doing What Matters For Jobs and the Economy**

- 1) Advanced Manufacturing
- 2) Advanced Transportation & Logistics
- 3) Agriculture, Water & Environmental Technologies
- 4) Business & Entrepreneurship
- 5) Energy, Construction & Utilities

- 6) Global Trade
- 7) Health
- 8) Information & Communication Technologies (ICT)/Digital Media
- 9) Life Sciences/Biotech
- 10) Retail/Hospitality/ Tourism "Learn and Earn"



### #1: Advanced Manufacturing

## Advanced Manufacturing Workforce Consortium

#### Inspired by a Presidential Advisory Committee –

Invest in Community College Level Education: "The community college level of education is the 'sweet spot' for reducing the skills gap in manufacturing. Increased investment in this sector is recommended." – President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology

Consortium initiative involves community colleges from various states seeking to expand training capacities in advanced manufacturing

Successfully advocated for enactment of a new Manufacturing and Engineering Education grants program; \$35 million appropriated, with provision enacted to prioritize grants for community college manufacturing programs



New Program in Maritime Transportation & Logistics

□We developed a community college maritime workforce centers of excellence program – signed into law December 2017

#### **UAS/Drone Technology**

□We drafted community college UAS/drone technology COE, signed into law October 2018

#### Other

□U.S. DOT funds projects and infrastructure for autonomous vehicles and advanced transportation innovations





## Community College Agribusiness Centers of Excellence

#### **Prioritizing Community Colleges for USDA Funding**

- □ Federally funded land grant institutions include a number of Tribal community and technical college land grants
- □Over \$50M appropriated for USDA capacity building grants for non-land grant colleges of agriculture. Most community colleges are ineligible as grantees under federal law.

#### **Progress Through Appropriations**

**□USDA** Appropriations for FY 2018 and FY 2019 prioritize funding for community college agribusiness centers of excellence

### #4: Business & Entrepreneurship

- □ Leverage existing national partnerships for student success in business innovation and entrepreneurship
- □ Developing proposal for a national community college entrepreneurship and small business grant program

**U.S. Small Business Administration** 









### **#5. Energy, Construction** and Utilities

#### **UAS/Drone Technology**

□Community college UAS/drone centers of excellence program enacted in October 2018 advances use of drone technology in energy, construction and lineman workforce training

#### **Infrastructure Legislation**

□ A role for community colleges in infrastructure workforce training







## #8. Information & Communication Technologies/Digital Media



#### **Relevant Federal Programs**

- □NSF Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Centers – five existing IT/cybersecurity centers; new NSF ATE Center solicitations in 2018 and 2019
- □NSF Secure and Trustworthy

  Cyberspace \$68M annual grants
- □DOL Scaling Apprenticeship
  Through Sector-Based Strategies −
  IT/cybersecurity is priority area;
  \$150M program closed Oct. 2018
- □ED Pilot Program for Cybersecurity Education Technological Upgrades for Community Colleges

#9. Life Sciences/ Biotech

#### National Science Foundation Biological Technologies Programs

- **□**Agricultural and Food Safety Biotechnology
- **□**Biosensors
- **□Life Sciences**
- **□**Bioinstrumentation
- **□Synthetic Biology and Metabolic Engineering**
- **□**Computational Biology and Bioinformatics
- **□**Advanced Biomanufacturing

#10. Retail/ Hospitality Tourism "Learn and Earn"

#### **U.S.** Department of Commerce

□International Trade Administration, National Travel and Tourism Office – grants and technical assistance to promote tourism and hospitality

#### **Smithsonian Institution**

- □Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage
- □National Museum of American History (Julia Child's Kitchen)
- **□Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibit Service (SITES)**

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