

OREGON'S *Community Colleges*

2025 COMMUNITY COLLEGE SUPPORT FUND (CCSF) REQUEST



Oregon's community colleges have been innovative and strategic through challenging times, and enrollments are climbing as a result. State support is critical to maintaining access and fostering student success.

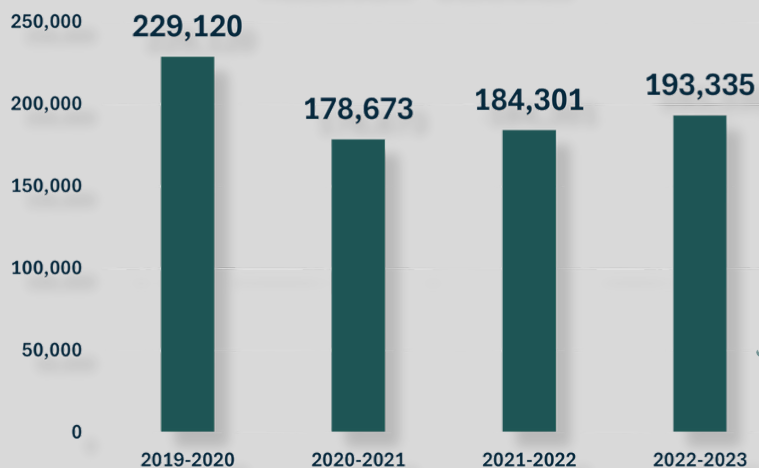
**COLLEGES NEED
YOUR SUPPORT!**

\$920 MILLION

Why?

- Student enrollment continues to increase across the state.
- College costs are projected to grow 14.9% for the biennium
- Many employee contracts have reflected recent high inflation.
- The final biennium of federal relief funds has ended.
- Community colleges are adapting to serve changing student needs.

Headcount - Statewide



Source: HECC Data Mart, 2019-2023

While not yet back to pre-pandemic levels, community college enrollment continues to steadily increase. Preliminary enrollment figures for 2024-2025 show significant increases at many of the colleges.



POLICY OPTION PACKAGES



Corequisite Workgroup

Requests funds to implement the recommendations put forward by the Corequisite Workgroup mandated by SB1552 in 2024. **Cost: \$1 million (one-time)**



Applied Baccalaureate Program

Fund development of new applied baccalaureate programs and potentially invest in the ongoing cost to offer these programs at community colleges. **Cost: \$2.5 million (one-time) for new AB programs; ongoing costs TBD**



Cybersecurity

Secure ongoing funding for cybersecurity to address growing cyber threats and the increased costs of cybersecurity and insurance in case of breaches. **Cost: \$3.57 million (ongoing)**



Adult Reconnect

Creates last-dollar grant program for people ages 25+ seeking associate degrees or industry-recognized certificates or credentials. Goal is to increase the number of earned credentials for Oregonians ages 26-64 by over 100,000 by 2030, and increase the number of those with education and skills to meet workforce demands. **Cost: \$10 million (ongoing); 1 FTE**



8th Quarter Payment

Secure one-time funding to fully or partially restore the 8th quarterly payment of the Community College Support Fund, which is deferred from the end of every biennium until the beginning of the next biennium, which comes at a measurable cost to the colleges. **Cost: \$100-\$115 million to fully restore the 8th quarter payment; \$50-\$57 million to restore half the payment and continue to defer half the 8th quarter payment to the following biennium.**



Oregon's 17 Community Colleges

