

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

May 10, 2023

TOPIC: Arapahoe Community College's Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grant
– Round 3 (SCC3) Subrecipient Payments

PRESENTED BY:

Dr. Stephanie J. Fujii, President – Arapahoe Community College

RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

- Transform the student experience
- Create Education Without Barriers Through Transformational Partnerships
- Redefine our value proposition

EXPLANATION:

Arapahoe Community College (ACC) recognizes the need to invest in and create new innovative talent pipeline workforce development programs. We also recognized the need to build each College's capacity to meet workforce needs quickly and effectively for employers and citizens in our communities.

Given the limitation of current resources and the increased need to seek funding from outside our traditional revenue streams to invest in this important work, ACC along with the Community College of Denver (CCD), Pueblo Community College (PCC), and the Education Design Lab (EDL) applied for and was awarded \$4,989,433.96 in funding through the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grant – Round 3 (SCC3).

This funding will support the development and implementation of the *Year to Career Through Micro-Pathways (Year to Career)* project. This project will catalyze collaboration and innovation between education and industry by creating skills-focused, market-driven, affordable learning opportunities to support learners and employers within the talent-pipeline and by initiating and sustaining system change within the participating colleges and larger Colorado Community College System. The project will advance equity, grow accelerated career pathways, create results-driven designs for curriculum and systems, and work for sustainable systems change.

ACC is requesting the authority to approve payments to the SCC3 grant subrecipients. The grant subrecipients are CCD, PCC, and EDL. Total payments to grant subrecipients from ACC will exceed \$1 million by the end of the 48-month grant period for each organization. Detailed total amounts are listed below by organization:

College/Organization	Spending Authority Request (48-month grant period; 2023-2027; official start date is March 1, 2023)
Lead College	
Arapahoe Community College	\$1,738,503.82
Subrecipient Colleges and Organization	
Community College of Denver	\$1,205,302.27
Pueblo Community College	\$1,001,091.97
Education Design Lab	\$1,044,535.90 (24 months only; 2023-2025)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the spending authority to make grant subrecipient payments as outlined above. Staff further recommends that the Board delegate signature authority to the System Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration for all contractual and related documentation on the condition that all Board and State processes are followed.

ATTACHMENTS:

None