



Strengthening Community College Capacity for a Stronger Texas

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Texas Association of
Community Colleges

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As the Texas Legislature looks to expend vital federal recovery funds aimed at “assisting unemployed workers and address educational disparities”, as provided in the rules, **Texas community colleges present the best opportunity for effective use of recovery dollars.**

Investing in Texas community college, is an investment for a stronger Texas economy!



Invest \$325 million, \$75M to fund grants under the TRUE initiative and \$250M to strengthen Texas community college capacity



Provides learning facilities with needed equipment, technology, staff, and curriculum to educate and train students for success in the workforce.



Reskills, upskills, and credentials the workforce, closes skills gaps, and helps employers fill jobs, putting Texans back to work.

Funding Element:

Investments in Texas Community Colleges Through Opportunities Created by ARP funds to the State of Texas

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| TRUE Workforce | Builds on the Initial Investment of \$25M for TRUE Grants from GEER Funds | \$75M |
| Strengthening Community College Capacity for a Stronger Texas | Distributed to all 50 Community College Districts through Formula | \$250M |
| Total Investments | | \$325M |

Strengthening community college capacity funds will support Texas:



Upgrading Equipment, Facilities & Technology Capacities

- Enhanced delivery of postsecondary education and training with leading edge technology, equipment, quality online instruction and integration of technology in teaching and learning.
- Delivery of new innovations in instruction and student support services.



Meeting Workforce Demands

- Expanded and upgraded facilities and equipment to serve larger student enrollments and aligned with regional growth clusters; this includes establishing & equipping new regional high-demand industry sector aligned training centers to close regional and state level occupational skills gaps.
- Expanded engagement with regional employers and business; this includes expansion of work-based learning models.
- Accelerated implementation of Career Pathways reforms to align with regional workforce needs and improve student outcomes.

Each community college district will receive Strengthening Capacity funding based on a formula that is responsive to the educational and workforce needs of Texas.

The formula will be determined by a combination of:

The college enrollment
rate among high school
graduates in the region



The proportion of
Unemployment
Insurance claimants in
the region

