



GRANT and FOUNDATION NEWS and NOTES

July 2015

What Have We Done For You Lately?

Please join us in congratulating the grants and foundation offices of Florida's 28 community colleges for their outstanding success in securing external funding for our students. We offer, for your enjoyment, this brief sampling of what has been recently done, and what is coming up, around the state.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow FCRD Members,

With each issue of this newsletter, I become even more inspired by the great work being done by our members to support our colleges. At a time when the economy is improving, many of us are experiencing flat or declining enrollments, as the counter-cyclical nature of our world dictates. While we strive to accomplish more with less, the value of partnership and collaboration between FCRD members becomes invaluable!

Part of our collective mission is to provide our state with talent to fill important jobs. In doing so, we expand opportunities to work with business and industry partners. This strategy has never been more well-timed. Combined with philanthropic assistance in the areas of scholarships, program and building support, we have collectively generated more than \$20 million in new resources for the Florida College System.

When we succeed, our students and our communities succeed. It is truly a win-win.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge the leadership of FCRD for moving forward on the Wildly Important Goals we committed to in our strategic plan. I will have a full report for you in the next issue.

All the best,

Nancy R. Botero
FCRD President

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**FCRD Fall Conference
The Westin Lake Mary**

Sept. 29-30, 2015

**Hosted By: Seminole State
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Events & Highlights

Broward College

Broward College is one of four community colleges selected by Achieving the Dream Foundation (ATD) who will each receive \$112,000 to strengthen a short-term (six months or less) retail credential that leads to middle-skill retail careers and is nested in and aligned within a broader, cohesive retail pathway. The Building Stronger Pathways to Retail Careers Initiative was developed by ATD after a comprehensive survey of all ATD member colleges to identify emergent needs. Retail training was identified as one of the top areas for employer interest and economic growth. In addition to Broward College, the other awarded institutions are Tallahassee Community College, Umpqua Community College and Durham Technical College. Program objectives are designed to support the needs of the employers in the respective communities, while collecting important data on the process, which can be shared with other Achieving the Dream schools. Broward College's program will focus on Hospitality.



The Broward College Foundation's American Dream Benefit Weekend, which took place April 24-26, celebrated a milestone: the \$1,000,000 its donors contributed to this particular scholarship fund since its creation in 2008 and the one thousand students who were able to achieve their educational goals because of this scholarship. The benefit weekend coincided with three events in the college's Ralph R. Bailey Concert Hall: presentations by the Broward Choral Society, the Broward Symphony Orchestra and the Broward College Symphonic Band. The goal was to engage the foundation's donor base with Broward College's Visual & Performing Arts programs and to inform the existing patrons of these programs about the philanthropic opportunities available. The celebration, while not designed as a fundraiser, generated nearly \$385,000 to help another thousand students realize their dreams.

During the American Dream Benefit Weekend, Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr. delighted the audience while conducting the encore, "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Chipola College

Rex Lumber has established the **Robert and Kathryn McRae Scholarship** fund for students entering a new program at Chipola. The new scholarships will be awarded to applicants planning to pursue an Associate of Science degree in Engineering Technology. Darwin Gilmore, Dean of Workforce Development, says, "The McRae family and Rex Lumber are important partners in this new program. They are making a significant investment to help students get enrolled, and they have the capacity to hire skilled workers who successfully complete the course." Multiple one-year scholarships for tuition and/or books and supplies will be awarded by the Rex Lumber Graceville plant. Students who excel in the program may be eligible for paid internship positions within Rex Lumber.

Daytona State College

The Center for Women and Men at Daytona State College has received a \$5,000 community grant from the Bank of America to support their programs and services for adults seeking to establish a new career through educational opportunities. The Center for Women and Men promotes the achievement of educational, professional and personal goals of a diverse student population through the development and implementation of programs that offer flexible, individualized and supportive services. Bank of America's Aracelis Ventura presented the check with associates Brian Simonette and Delia-Ann Callender. Ms. Oxford received the check along with DSC Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Amy Locklear and Dean of the Division of Alternative Student Services Dr. Katrina Bell (inset).

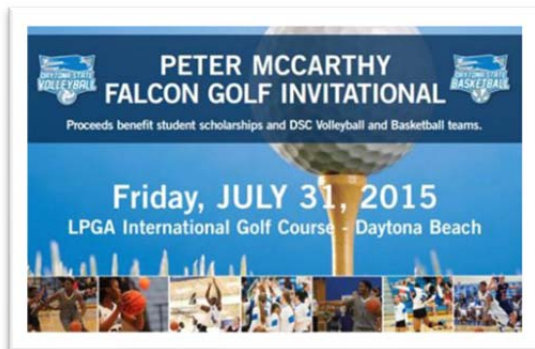


Faculty of course teach our students, but what other professional projects are they working on? Tim Pintello is the faculty grant manager for the National Science Foundation iNOVATE grant in partnership with Florida State College at Jacksonville and other colleges in Florida. The grant allowed DSC to obtain approximately \$50,000 in equipment and software, introduce a course on virtualization to the College's Networking program, and train an instructor and technician how to teach the class

and support the equipment. This grant also allowed DSC to run a Virtualization Summer Camp last summer. An additional benefit is that the grant enabled the College to apply a new teaching paradigm for computer-based courses using virtualization. While the course was the first class to use this new teaching paradigm, DSC has now carried it over to some other classes as well, specifically in the areas of information assurance, network security and computer forensics. The College hopes to see other computer science courses using this new virtualization paradigm in the future.

An impactful grant for students of Mexican descent from the Mexican Government, Orlando Consulate: Last year, 229 students of Mexican origin attended Daytona State, including international students from Mexico and Mexican-American citizens. The vast majority, 77 percent, enrolled in the college's School of Adult Education. All U.S. citizens of Mexican descent and international students from Mexico are eligible to apply for the IME scholarship. This is the fourth straight year Daytona State has been awarded an IME BECAS scholarship grant. This year's \$21,000 award far exceeds funds awarded in previous years, helping students enrolled in adult education and college-credit programs pay for tuition and expenses such as testing fees, educational supplies and textbooks.

A first-ever DSC magazine hit the streets in May celebrating the college's far reach and critical impact through public higher education in the region. This magazine launched with 15,000 print circulation. The **Daytona State College Magazine** – scheduled to be published twice a year – features stories and information about programs, faculty, alumni and students, as well as myriad partnerships and their effect on workforce, quality of life and innovation benefitting Volusia and Flagler counties.



Known for his strong spirit and dedication to Daytona State College, Peter McCarthy lost his battle with cancer almost two years ago. In his honor, on July 31, the DSC Athletics Department will hold a charity golf tournament, a sport that he enjoyed very much. With proceeds benefiting student scholarships, as well as volleyball and basketball teams, the **Peter McCarthy Falcon Golf Invitational** will be held on Friday, July 31, at the LPGA International Golf Course. Price is \$400 per 4-person team.

Eastern Florida State College

The AARP Foundation and the Social Innovation Fund awarded Eastern Florida State College a Back to Work 50+: Women's Economic Stability Initiative sub-grant totaling \$456,765 over three years. EFSC is partnering with CareerSource Brevard to provide informational seminars, training, and job placement assistance for women fifty and older.

The **"Build Your Future – A Celebration of Scholarship"** event was the Foundation's signature fundraiser of the year, having raised more than \$100,000 for student scholarships. About 250 people attended the gathering at the college's new Public Safety Institute on the Melbourne campus with many touring the state-of-the-art facility that opened in January.

Indian River State College

Continuing their decades-long tradition of supporting Indian River State College (IRSC), Andy and Fran Morgade recently made a new gift to IRSC – sponsoring the **Robert Morgade Bookstore and Café** at the Robert Morgade Administration and Student Services Center and the **Andy and Fran Morgade IRSC Business Incubator** at the adjoining Wolf High-Technology Center. This incubator serves as the hub for local businesses, non-profits, and students, providing a setting for strategic planning sessions, workshops, seminars, and conferences. This generous couple began their relationship with IRSC in 2004 after Andy took a computer class at the College's Chastain Campus in Stuart. It is hard to imagine how different the IRSC Chastain Campus would look today without the support of Andy and Fran Morgade. Through the years, IRSC's Chastain Campus has grown, now housing five unique facilities, thanks in large part to the generosity of the Morgades.

IRSC recently received more than \$100,000 from the **Charitable Remainder Trust of Standish and Hazel Crews**. The Crews were Indian River County residents and are both now deceased. Mr. Crews passed away in 2011, and Hazel followed in November of 2014. Mr. Crews served on the IRSC District Board of Trustees from 1971-1987 and was named a Board Emeriti when he resigned from the Board in 1987. He also served as a member of the IRSC Foundation Board of Directors from 1972 to 1995. The gift from the Crews estate will be added to their existing scholarship endowment for Baccalaureate degree programs at IRSC. Their generous legacy will continue in perpetuity to benefit students, helping them achieve their dreams of higher education.

Lake Sumter State College

The Lake-Sumter State College Foundation, Inc. recently received a \$4,250 grant from **the Dorothy B. Crooker Steves Charitable Trust**, managed by SunTrust. The grant will be used to create a textbook lending library for students enrolled in the baccalaureate degree program. In 2013, the college began offering the baccalaureate degree program, where students can earn a Bachelor of Applied Science in organizational management.

Miami Dade College

Miami Dade College hosted their Annual Project Directors Workshop. Representatives from Resource Development, Human Resources, Procurement, and Restricted Accounts Management provided updates on their processes based on the new Uniform Guidance. Project Directors shared success stories about programs that exceeded their goals and made connections that will lead to collaboration among the projects and will prevent duplication of services. Highlights of the session included sharing best practices such as information regarding a low-cost scanning device for tracking participation via student id cards, and an MDC website and mobile app that disseminate news and event information.

North Florida Community College

Members of NFCC's **Young Engineering Club** took **first place in the NASA Engineering Challenges Competition** at Kennedy Space Center on June 12. The three-day engineering competition was sponsored by the NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium. NFCC students built and programmed their own robot during spring term to prepare for the event and traveled with NFCC instructor and advisor Dr. Guenter Maresch to compete in the prestigious competition. "All of our students did a great job and represented the school very well," said Dr. Michael Stine, Department Chair of Mathematics, Physical and Biological Sciences at NFCC. "Congratulations to the students and Dr. Maresch."



NFCC Artist Series Angels Celebrate 10th Anniversary with Art Donation, Unveiling and Dedication Ceremony – The NFCC Artist Series Angels, community and business supporters of the NFCC Artist Series program, recently made a considerable donation to help promote the arts and enhance the college's performing arts venue Van H. Priest Auditorium. Professional artist Mark Dickson and NFCC student artist Kaleb Wyche were commissioned to create four pieces that are now permanently on display in the auditorium's lobby. Dickson's work features a large metal sculpture entitled "Symphony for Strings" and two paintings that compliment the sculpture and add beautiful color to the lobby area. Wyche created a smaller metal sculpture that beautifully exemplifies the artistic and creative spirit of the performing arts. The art unveiling and dedication ceremony held in March at Van H. Priest Auditorium, celebrated the Artist Series Angels' 10th year anniversary of supporting the arts at NFCC.

The NFCC Foundation has challenged its six-county district to raise \$60,000 for the NFCC Foundation this year, with its "**Heart of the Willing: NFCC District Challenge Fundraising Campaign**," a \$10,000 per-county fundraising challenge. The campaign is currently underway and receiving much support from the NFCC Foundation Board of Directors and community. Donors can choose where their donations will be applied – innovation grants, tuition scholarships, program sponsorships, cultural program support or the greatest need of the college.

The **Wilbur & Randy Rutherford Foundation** recently made a \$20,416 donation to the NFCC Foundation to benefit the Wilbur and Randy Rutherford Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded each year by NFCC to qualifying Madison County High School seniors. The donation was raised by the efforts of the Rutherford Foundation Board together with countless family and friends and will be added to the existing Wilbur and Randy Rutherford Scholarship fund.

Northwest Florida State College

The Association of Florida Colleges (AFC), Northwest Florida State College Chapter has created a fifth scholarship endowment and has chosen to honor long-time Northwest Florida State College reading professor **Dianne Kostelny**. Dianne Kostelny, who was a Professor at NWF State College from 1988 until 2011, was also an active participant in AFC at both the state and chapter level. For her tireless and passionate work she was recognized with the Distinguished Service Award in 2001 and as Outstanding Board Member in 2003. She was awarded The Honorary Lifetime Membership Award in 2009.



James “Jim” Chambers has established the **Marc B.**

Chambers Technical Theater Scholarship Endowment in memory of his son, Marc, who passed away as a result of a car accident in 1995. The \$15,000 endowment, designated for students majoring in the college’s technical theater program, is the first of its kind at Northwest Florida State College and brings attention to a vital component of the college’s performing arts program. Jim Chambers (inset - center) presents a \$15,000 check to Mattie Kelly Arts Center faculty and students. The gift establishes the Marc B. Chambers Technical Theater Scholarship in memory of his son.

The Mattie Kelly Fine & Performing Arts Center is fortunate to have the unselfish support of men and women who volunteer to serve as ushers for events. The Ushers raised funds for the \$15,000 **Mattie Kelly Arts Center Ushers Scholarship Endowment** through various fundraising activities, which includes proceeds from the concession stand during theater events. The Ushers’ generous gift will assist promising fine & performing arts students in their academic studies.

Fikes Companies is fueling student success through the \$25,000 **C.E. Fikes Scholarship Endowment**. Named for the company’s founder, the scholarship will be used to provide scholarship support for full-time students with first preference given to a student employed by the Fikes Companies or its affiliates.

Palm Beach State College

As a direct result of a private donor’s commitment to America’s Veterans, an unused area of the Palm Beach Gardens campus library was converted into a student **Veterans Center**. The center is a gathering place for veteran students to meet and work through their unique issues.

A gift of \$50,000 from a private foundation will provide the support needed to bus hundreds of school-age children to the **Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center**. For many, this is their first and possibly only exposure to live arts entertainment. PBSC also received a local private foundation pledge of \$165,000 to develop master classes, educational experiences and support the attendance of students at the three **PBSC theatres**.

PBSC featured two very successful fundraising events recently. The **2015 STEAM Luncheon** featuring Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson netted \$70,000 for scholarships, while the **PBSC Annual Golf Tournament** netted \$83,000 to support areas of greatest need.



Pensacola State College

On June 23 a ceremony was held dedicating the **Molly McGuire Culinary Arts Dining Room** at Pensacola State College. In honor of the late proprietor of Pensacola's world famous McGuire's Irish Pub, family and friends contributed \$200,000 to create the Molly McGuire Culinary Arts Endowed Scholarship. Funds will support students studying in the Culinary Arts program at Pensacola State.

Pensacola State College received a gift of \$50,000 in support of a \$1 million campaign to fund an endowment supporting the Visual Arts program. **Mr. David Hammond**, an accomplished artist himself, made the gift in support of expansion plans that will create a Regional Arts Center at Pensacola State College's Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts.

For more than 29 years, **Dr. William Brantley** taught at Pensacola State College and shared his knowledge with thousands of students studying Physical Sciences. His desire to continue helping students led him to recently contribute \$10,000 to establish an endowed scholarship supporting students studying in the Physical Sciences programs.



Polk State College

The **Polk State College Foundation** expects to award 1.6 million dollars in scholarships and loans during the 2015 calendar year! Thanks to the vision of Polk State alum, the late Robert "Smitty" Smith, and generous donors, 131 scholarships were awarded to fifth grade students throughout Polk County in 2015. An annual program, all of the scholarships cover tuition for 60 credit hours, with many also covering credits for those who continue their education in one of Polk State's bachelor degree programs. Polk State Scholarships Specialist, Karen Moore, with an elementary scholarship recipient and his family (inset).



Polk State received a **Generation Study Abroad** grant for \$15,000 to support travel to the Dominican Republic for first-generation, low income, and students of color enrolled in Nursing or Healthcare Administration programs. Students will engage in community service activities in clinics and hospitals located throughout the host country.

Polk State College Foundation received a \$10,000 donation from **Hope Presbyterian Church** to support My Brother's Keeper (MBK), a student-led initiative to help students experiencing housing and food insecurity. MBK operates a food pantry that also stocks personal hygiene supplies, provides referrals to local resources, and awards emergency help funds.

Santa Fe College

After 31 + years at Santa Fe College, including 26 years in the SF Office for Development, **Joan Suchorski** retired from her position as Associate Vice President for Grants and Projects. During her tenure, \$143,644,758 was raised to benefit students and institutional advancement at Santa Fe College. She also served as both president for the Florida Council for Resource Development and national Council for Resource Development. "I am grateful for the many professional and personal friendships developed over time that have nurtured and mentored me along the way," states Joan. "Much of the success I have experienced is due in very large part to the effective strategies learned along the way, coupled with meaningful partnerships, fabulous mentors, great friends and waves of opportunity to advance all of us as a system to magnify and grow our impact."



Santa Fe College Information Technology professors Cheryl Calhoun and Elizabeth Drake recently received a \$5,000 award from **Google** for their winning submission to Google's small grants program for engagement and retention in introductory computer science classes. With the goal to establish a more diverse computing workforce, Google, in collaboration the National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT), presents monetary awards to educators for engagement and retention of women and other underrepresented groups in computer science courses.



Seminole State College of Florida

In honor of **Marine Sgt. Mark Johnson IV**, an alumnus of Seminole State College who was killed in a helicopter crash on a rescue mission in Nepal, the Foundation worked alongside the family and community organizations to establish a scholarship in his memory. Johnson, 29, was a married father of two who received two degrees from Seminole State. He is fondly remembered by his family and friends in the Altamonte Springs, FL area. Through community members reaching out to donate, the scholarship was endowed at \$10,000 dollars and will help change lives for years to come.

Seventeen faculty and staff projects at Seminole State College are being funded at a total of \$20,000 through **Presidents' Club** donations. A committee of members that represent both the Presidents' Club and Foundation Board of Directors select the recipients. A few programs among the awarded were the Center for Business, Legal and Entrepreneurship, Center for Public Safety, Arts and Communications, Grindle Honors Institute, and many more.



South Florida State College

South Florida State College Foundation announces the retirement of its Executive Director, Don Appelquist, effective June 30, 2015, after 28 years of service. Don also serves as Dean of Resource Development for the college. Don was named Executive Director of the Foundation in 1987, the first person to hold that position. He arrived at SFSC in 1970 and served as professor of biology until assuming his duties at the Foundation. Don served on the CRD Federal Funding Task force for three years, presented papers at State and Regional meetings, and moderated panel discussions at national CRD meetings in Washington, DC. He also served on the Florida Council for Resource Development Board for ten years. He was awarded the Campus Impact Award by CRD in 2012.

Jane Hancock, director of planned giving at the South Florida State College Foundation, will retire on June 30, bringing to a close a two-decade career in public service. Hancock was SFSC's first staff member to work exclusively with prospective donors to structure bequests and donations benefiting college programs. Even though her career with SFSC will come to end, Hancock said her affection for the college continues. "I plan to continue supporting the foundation after retirement by staying involved in the SFSC Alumni Association and mentoring through Take Stock in Children."



St. Petersburg College

The St. Petersburg College Foundation announced a new partnership to bolster training for early childcare professionals. Officials with the SPC College of Education and the SPC Foundation worked with the City of St. Petersburg to develop the partnership, in which the city is contributing \$50,000 to fund 30 scholarships for students pursuing **Early Childhood Education Certification**. The goal is to help close achievement gaps by better preparing local childcare workers. "We know there is no better investment than in our youngest children," said St. Petersburg Mayor Rick Kriseman. SPC President Bill Law, St. Petersburg Mayor Rick Kriseman, St. Petersburg City Council Member Karl Nurse and SPC BOT Chairman Robert Fine, Jr. are pictured inset.



SPC was recently selected to participate in the **Achieving the Dream – Getting it Right: Strengthening STEM Pathways through Regional Collaboratives** project. This initiative was designed to help states and community colleges advance their state and local goals for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education and employment. The opportunity features activities designed to strengthen high demand, middle-skill STEM pathways; improve regional coordination among community colleges and their workforce partners; inform state leaders on policy changes that can support stronger STEM pathways; and foster cross-state learning and collaboration. SPC was one of only three awards targeted at Florida, Ohio and Connecticut, with technical assistance funded by Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust, Achieving the Dream and Jobs for the Future.

The Academic Pathways Summit: Leveraging Meta-Majors to Accelerate Student Success

drew leaders from 22 colleges and universities across the state to St. Petersburg College's (SPC) Collaborative Labs on June 5. The event, funded by a Florida College System Foundation grant, included speakers from the Florida legislature and the Community College Research Center at Columbia University's Teachers College. A panel discussion with representatives from three partnering colleges, Broward, Valencia, and SPC gave a brief overview of how each of their institutions responded to the Meta Major legislation, which streamlines the academic pathway for students by grouping programs that have common or related content. Participants engaged in a lively discussion exploring implications, such as the role of advising staff, the focus on providing specific, recommended pathways, and the connection to learning outcomes. The more than 100 attendees concluded that this type of event was very valuable and should be held on an ongoing basis. Broward and Valencia agreed to host the event over the next two subsequent years, and the state agreed to organize a listserv to facilitate ongoing discussions throughout the year.



Tallahassee Community College

The **Able Trust** presented Tallahassee Community College with a three-year, \$250,000 grant to help provide educational opportunities for students with disabilities in Leon, Gadsden and Wakulla counties. TCC is the only college to receive the grant this year – and one of two organizations in the state – as well as the first group in the North Florida region to receive the award. The College will match the grant with a \$250,000 commitment of its own. "Gainful employment affirms the inherent worth of an individual, and it allows a person with disabilities to gain new relationships, gain new skills, and show the world that a disability is not a barrier to the life activities that everyone else enjoys," said Jesse Panuccio, executive director of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Valencia College

Valencia College has found a home for its **Advanced Manufacturing Education and Training Center**, which will train currently unemployed and underemployed workers, veterans, women and those who want to pursue a career in advanced manufacturing. The College will house the Center at the former Colt facility in Kissimmee, near the future site of the University of Central Florida's Advanced Manufacturing Research Center. The Center will serve as the core of Valencia's **M-PATH** initiative, a \$2.5 million federal labor grant, where students can earn industry certifications, college-level technical certificates and degrees in key areas of need in the state's manufacturing sector. Valencia began training workers for advanced manufacturing three years ago, when the U.S. Department of Labor awarded \$15 million to a consortium of Florida community colleges, known as **Florida TRADE**, to train veterans and unemployed residents for high-skill manufacturing jobs.



Funding Achievements

College	Source of Funding	Amount Awarded	Description
Broward College	Memorial Healthcare System	\$2,000,000	Memorial Healthcare Scholarship Fund
	Achieving the Dream Foundation	\$112,000	Developing and strengthening of short-term retail credentials (see article under events)
	Buehler Aviation Research Foundation	\$26,500	Buehler Internship
	Mullooly Carey Foundation	\$25,000	Mullooly Carey Foundation Scholarship
	Leo Goodwin Foundation, Inc.	\$25,000	American Dream Scholarship
	Dr. Floyd Koch	\$22,000	Dr. Floyd F. Koch Annual Dental Scholarship
	Community Foundation of Broward – Ignite	\$20,000	Broward College Apprentice Business and Management Camp Program
	Hamilton M. and Blanche C. Forman Christian Foundation	\$10,000	American Dream Scholarship
	Dan and Lois Osman	\$10,000	American Dream Scholarship
Daytona State College	Florida College System Foundation	\$15,000	The FCS Foundation grant will be used to create a <i>Career Connection Reference Tool</i> that visually demonstrates a curriculum ladder with associated jobs and salaries. The Career Connection Reference Tool will make the career pathway and job opportunity information more understandable to parents, students, K12 guidance counselors, our college students, and those within the community. The tool will initially be developed as a career pamphlet that will visually display the career steps for each of the certificates offered at Daytona State College, up to and including their meta-major selection.
Florida State College at Jacksonville	National Science Foundation	\$614,447	Peers Organized by Discipline for Success 2 (PODS ²) – This project builds on the College’s current PODS project, which ends this year. It provides scholarships for academically talented but financially needy students seeking degrees in the sciences, mathematics, or aerospace engineering technology.
	Environmental Protection Agency	\$192,300	FY 15 Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grant – FSCJ collaborates with the City of Jacksonville, the Regional Workforce Investment Board, industry partners and community organizations to train and employ residents from targeted urban areas in environmental cleanup and restoration.
	Complete Florida Scholarship Program	\$141,740	Complete Florida Military – Provides scholarships to current military, veterans and their families who are not using VA education benefits and are entering a degree or certificate program related to Information Technology or Cyber Security. This is a subcontract with the University of West

			Florida.
	Bank of America Foundation	\$10,000	Social Enterprise Incubator – The award will be applied toward a student enterprise competition for the 2015-2016 academic year.
	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$8,864	Summer Food Services Program – Provides meals to 90 middle and high school students in the College Reach-Out Program attending summer college preparation programs.
Indian River State College	Florida Department of Education	\$411,758	Funding to support the Farmworker Career Development Program at IRSC. This program provides support to eligible migrant and seasonal farmworkers and/or their dependents to achieve economic self-sufficiency.
	Florida Department of Education	\$450,000	Funding to support the Institute for the Professional Development of Adult Educators (IPDAE) which provides resources, technical assistance, professional development, and other tools to assist adult education administrators and their staff.
	St. John’s Water Management District	\$90,000	Funding to support the development of novel optical techniques to identify pollutants in the Indian River Lagoon.
Miami Dade College	Florida Department of Children and Families REVEST	7,100,000	Miami Dade College will provide services to recent arrivals in the US such as: (1) vocational English for speakers of other languages; (2) employability skills training; (3) vocational training in the form of postsecondary adult vocational certificate programs, continuing workforce education, and college credit certificate courses; (4) transportation assistance in the form of Metro passes; (5) reimbursement for translation and evaluations of foreign-earned credentials; and (6) citizen preparation classes.
	Florida Department of Education Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education	2,590,300	Miami Dade College will provide postsecondary services that fully develop the academic, career, and technical skills of students who elect to enroll in career and technical education programs.
	CareerSource The Children's Trust USDOT SBTRC MDCPS,	1,399,579	Miami Dade college will provide outreach services to the community including academic and vocational education services, training for in-demand professions such

	Miami Book Fair International Florida Blue/FL Literacy Coalition Health Literacy USDA Office of Civil Rights Universidad Tecnológica Equinoccial		software programmer and business intelligence analyst, bookshelves equipped with new and gently used books at locations in underserved communities, Women in Transportation services, literary encounters with authors, health and wellness presentations at two free community events, Day of the Young Child event, and a three-day international business seminar
	CareerSource South Florida, Take Stock in Children FLDOS DCA Cultural Affairs	725,000	Other benefits to students such as scholarships and to the community such as the renovation of the Freedom Tower
	USDOC NIST SURF Miami Dade County	10,000	Extracurricular experiences such as paid summer internships in federal research laboratories for students majoring in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and Participation in the Model UN program.
Northwest Florida State College	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, National Association of Counties, Southern Company and Gulf Power, and the U.S. Forest Service	\$40,000	Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance (CBA) of Northwest Florida State College is an organization committed to the health and welfare of the Choctawhatchee watershed. CBA has just been awarded \$40,000 by Five Star and Urban Waters Program for student-led restoration projects. The Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program is a collaboration of funding partners that focuses on the stewardship and restoration of coastal, wetland and riparian ecosystems across the country.
	US Fish and Wildlife Service	\$17,000	Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance (CBA) of Northwest Florida State College (NWFSC) enjoys a long-term partnership with the United State Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Coastal Program. For 2015-2016, CBA will receive a grant of \$17,000 for restoration and invasive plant removal around the rare coastal dune lakes of Walton County. The Florida Panhandle chapter of the USFWS Coastal Program, based in Panama City, regularly makes grant money available to environmental organizations like CBA. For the past several years, USFWS has provided grant funding for CBA environmental restoration activities in Choctawhatchee Bay.
Palm Beach State College	State Homeland Security Grant Program	\$200,245	As a sub recipient from the Florida Department of Emergency Management, the

			grant will complete the final phase of the College wide security camera project by installing security cameras at the Belle Glade Campus.
	Farris Foundation	\$155,000	Duncan Theatre and Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center have partnered with the School District of Palm Beach County to provide cultural arts to disadvantaged students from Title 1 elementary schools. Students from Diamond View Elementary School in Lake Worth and Gove Elementary and Glade View Elementary in Belle Glade will participate in cultural arts field trips, participate in artist workshops, create visual arts and experience a theatrical performance of children's literature. The goal of the project is to provide students access to cultural arts that promotes student learning and to boost self-confidence and self-expression.
Pensacola State College	International Paper	\$2,700.00	The PSC Summer Environmental Camp was developed to provide low-income families, elementary and middle school children with an opportunity to participate in an innovative Summer Environmental Camp. The multi-disciplinary, hands-on curriculum used in the Environmental camp will focus on environmental issues important to the students and the community. In addition, the participants will learn and be an active participant in solving environmental issues of concern in their community by allowing students to work on team projects and participate in field trips which reinforce learning.
	Fish Florida	100 Rods and Reels	Students meet at the Pensacola State College Kids' College to practice their rod & reel casting techniques, cast net throwing, conservation experiments, and boating demonstrations. Trips to the Pensacola Bay Fishing Bridge, which offers facilities for students to cast their line with the chance to catch a fish. A catch and release program will be practiced while implementing dehooking devices for the removal of the fish.
Polk State College	Generation Study Abroad	\$15,000	Polk State received a Generation Study Abroad grant for \$15,000 to support travel to the Dominican Republic for first-generation, low income, and students of color enrolled in Nursing or Healthcare Administration programs. Students will engage in community service activities in clinics and hospitals located throughout the host country.

Santa Fe College	AARP Foundation	\$444,858	This project will provide pathways to employment and self-sufficiency for women ages 50-64 through training in high demand jobs in Alachua, Bradford and rural counties in north central, Florida. Core services include a series of two hour weekly workshops, career exploration, resume writing, interview techniques, social media, financial capability and networking. Santa Fe College will serve 360 candidates over the three-year grant period.
	Department of Economic Opportunity	\$701,941	The purpose of this project is to provide assistance, without charge, to eligible displaced homemakers over 35 years of age who have lost financial support and have been unable to secure adequate employment in Alachua and surrounding counties in the north central Florida area. This comprehensive program is designed to assist the individual toward independence and economic security.
	Community Foundation of North Central Florida	\$50,000	The purpose of the <i>RISE@SF Road to Independence and Self-empowerment</i> grant is to request funding to support training for 13 women per year for two years as part of the required match for the BACK TO WORK 50+: WESI Initiative. RISE@SF participants will receive computer skills training, participate in coaching and in a series of workshops, including employability skills, and be enrolled in short term training in accordance with their individual goals and training plans.
	Johnson Foundation	\$15,000	The purpose of this grant is to help meet the required cash match for our newly funded AARP BACK TO WORK 50+: Women's Economic Security Initiative (WESI) Grant. These funds will support scholarships and educational supplies for the WESI participants. This grant will provide pathways to employment and self-sufficiency for women ages 50-64 through training in high demand jobs.
	National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the American Library Association (ALA)	\$10,000	This project is to support exploration of the rich and varied history and experiences of Latinos, who have helped shape the United States over the last five centuries and who have become, with more than 50 million people, the country's largest minority group. The SF Lawrence W. Tyree Library will sponsor scholar-led, public viewings of four episodes in the NEH-funded PBS documentary series <i>Latino Americans</i> . These documentary films, accompanying lectures, and discussions will help community members understand the culture, history, contributions, and challenges of the growing Latino population in North Central Florida.

Seminole State College of Florida	National Science Foundation, Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Program	\$900,000	Establishing a Means for Effective Renewable Green Energy (EMERGE) – This grant will increase the College's responsiveness to industry and societal needs, and to increase student career preparation in a variety of workforce programs, by integrating concepts in environmentally responsible emerging technologies into the curriculum.
	US Department of Energy, Alternative Fuel Vehicle Deployment Initiatives	\$12,800	Florida Alternative Fuel Vehicle Training Network – As part of a new network established by the Central Florida Clean Cities Coalition (hosted by the Florida Solar Energy Center at the University of Central Florida), and in partnership with the National Alternative Fuel Training Consortium (NAFTC) and the North America Towing Academy, grant funds will support the delivery of multiple levels of training to first responders to improve their knowledge and skills in dealing with alternative fuel vehicles.
	Lumina Foundation	\$110,000	Persistence Pilot Project – In partnership with Heart of Florida United Way, non-academic support services and resources offered through HFUW will coordinate with and supplement academic and other support services already provided by the College.
St. Petersburg College	Florida Department of Education – Tampa Bay Consortium College Reach Out Program (CROP)	\$523,887	The CROP Consortium, in its 24 th year, comprises Hillsborough Community College; State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota; University of South Florida and SPC, and provides academic support services and enrichment programs to middle and high school students who have the potential to complete college, but may not have the skills and/or knowledge necessary to do so without additional support.
	Florida Department of Education – Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education	\$1,880,720	The grant, in its 8 th year with SPC, provides for Post-Secondary Vocational (PSV) programs, allowing the College to provide services to students enrolled in Associate in Science degrees, Applied Technology Diplomas, College Credit Certificates and Postsecondary Adult Vocational (PSAV) programs.
	Microsoft Corporation	\$21,000	SPC's College of Computer & IT Professor, Shane Hamilton, was recently awarded the Microsoft AZURE grant to support cloud computing in the classroom. The grant has made a tremendous impact on updating curriculum by incorporating Source Control, Agile/Scrum, virtualization and networking components, those important for SQL and web applications, helping to improve skills and improved employability options for students.