



TO: Chief Executive Officers
Chief Student Services Officers
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Dream Resource Liaisons

FROM: Gina Browne
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RE: Dream Resource Liaison Support Allocation

This guidance memo provides information about the Dream Resource Liaison Support funding.

[Senate Bill 74](#) (Budget Act of 2020) includes \$5.8 million in local assistance funds to support Dreamer Resource Liaisons and student support services for immigrant and undocumented students in community colleges. These services provide an opportunity to address disparities and advance economic justice by supporting educational attainment, career pathways and economic mobility for students who may face barriers related to their immigration status.

Dreamer Resource Liaisons

[Assembly Bill 1645](#) - Student support services: Dreamer Resource Liaisons – requires California community colleges to designate a Dreamer Resource Liaison at each campus to assist students meeting the requirements set forth in [Section 68130.5](#) by streamlining access to all available financial aid and academic opportunities for those students.

Each campus of the California Community Colleges shall ensure that it has a staff person designated as a Dreamer Resource Liaison, or UndocuLiaison, who is knowledgeable in available financial aid, social services, state-funded immigration legal services, internships, externships, and academic opportunities for all students meeting the requirements set forth in Section 68130.5, including undocumented students. Colleges are encouraged to place this designated staff person in the campus' EOPS (Extended Opportunity Programs and Services) or financial aid office.

Additionally, colleges are encouraged to establish a Dream Resource Center on each of their respective campuses. Dream Resource Centers may offer support services, including, but not necessarily limited to, academic counseling, peer support services, psychological counseling, referral for social services, and state-funded immigration legal services. The space in which the liaison is located may be deemed a Dream Resource Center and may be housed within existing

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student service or academic centers. This shall not be construed as suggesting the construction of a new or separate space for Dream Resource Centers.

Allocation Funding Formula

The allocation funding formula evenly divides the \$5.8 million appropriation into two factors: (1) base allocation for each college and (2) the full-time equivalent students at each college.

Factor 1 – Base allocation = \$25,439 per college (\$2,900,000 ÷ 114)

Factor 2 – Full-time equivalent

$$\frac{\text{Full-time equivalent (FTE) - college}}{\text{Full-time equivalent (FTE) - system}} \times \$2,900,000$$

Total allocation = Factor 1 + Factor 2

Allowable Use of Funds

Funds may only be used to support Dream Resource Liaisons (or UndocuLiaisons), Dream Resource Centers and associated student services as suggested above. Colleges should take steps to assess the needs of their undocumented student population and prioritize those needs in the use of funds. All funds should be spent by June 30, 2022.

If you have questions regarding this memo, please contact me at gbrowne@cccoco.edu.

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