Virginia's Community Colleges

Tuition Differential Investment Pool
Request for Proposals

Eligible Organizations	**Level I and II VCCS Colleges**
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Award Amount	**Up to $200,000 for qualifying colleges**
Proposal Submissions Due	**November 14th, 2011**
Notification of Award	**December 9th, 2011**
Award Period	**January-June 2012**

Purpose of the TDIP Grant Program

In May 2009, the State Board for Community Colleges approved changes to the Tuition Differential Policy. One of the changes included establishment of the Tuition Differential Investment Pool (TDIP) fund. Eligibility to receive funding from the TDIP fund was determined by the State Board: factors include size, stability of the college enrollment base, constrained resources, and opportunities to undertake cost effective initiatives.

Allocation of the funds is to be restricted to purposes defined annually by the State Board and Chancellor. Subsequent to the approval of the changes in the Tuition Differential policy, the Advisory Council of Presidents developed and the State Board approved the following criteria for the program:

- Level 1 and 2 institutions (colleges with annual enrollments up to 2,499 full-time equivalent students) would be eligible to receive funds from the Tuition Differential Investment Pool. Enrollment eligibility will be determined using average annual FTE from the prior 3 academic years.
- Each year the eligible colleges may submit funding proposals to the Chancellor for consideration.
- Proposals may be submitted for up to $200,000 per college each year.
- All proposals must include long-term strategies that strengthen the college beyond the grant period.
- All requests must include specific measurable results to determine the success of the funded initiative.
- TDIP funds may not be used to purchase furniture.
- TDIP funds may not be used for scholarships or tuition.

Expected outcomes should focus on projects that strengthen your college, are in accordance with your mission statement, and further the goals of *Achieve 2015*.

Submission Process

Submit all materials via email to Tiffany Adkins at tadkins@vccs.edu as a **single pdf file** by November 14, 2011 by 5 PM EST. Please address questions regarding the application or the submission process to Tiffany Adkins, Executive Assistant, tadkins@vccs.edu , 804.819.4970.