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TO: Chief Student Services Officers
   Chief Business Officers
   Student Success and Support Program Coordinators

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SUBJECT: 2015-16 Noncredit Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) Allocations

2015-16 Noncredit SSSP Funding: The 2015-16 State Budget increased funding for SSSP by $100 million, of which $17,000,000 is available to allocate to California Community Colleges to provide noncredit SSSP core services. Noncredit SSSP funds are available to all colleges that submitted a certification for 2015-2016 Noncredit SSSP funding. The 2015-16 allocations were generated by the formula currently in effect, which is based on the 2014-15 weighted noncredit student headcount.

Allowable Use of Noncredit SSSP Funds: Colleges receive an allocation of Noncredit SSSP funds for the sole purpose of providing core services to students enrolled in the following noncredit areas:

- Elementary and Secondary Basic Skills
- English as a Second Language
- Short-Term Vocational
- Workforce Preparation

Core services that may be funded include orientation; assessment; counseling, advising, and other education planning services; and follow-up interventions for at-risk students (defined as noncredit students who are enrolled in basic skills courses or who have not identified an education goal and course of study). Noncredit SSSP funds are provided to supplement district expenditures for student support and may not supplant or take the place of other resources.

For specific guidance on allowable uses of funds and prohibited expenditures, please refer to the SSSP Handbook, which contains the Funding Guidelines and title 5 regulations.
**Match Requirements:** For 2015-16, colleges are required to spend one dollar of district funds for every one dollar of Noncredit SSSP funds to meet the match requirement. Colleges have asked if AB 86 funds can be used as match. Since AB 86 funds are equivalent to categorical funds, they cannot be used as match.

**Carryover of Funds:** The Chancellor's Office has authorized the carryover of 2015-16 Noncredit SSSP funds through Dec 31, 2016.

Please contact Chris Graillat if you have questions at cgraillat@cccco.edu or 916-322-7988.

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