



# California Community Colleges

## MEMORANDUM

July 16, 2018

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TO: Chief Executive Officers  
Chief Instructional Officers  
Chief Student Services Officers  
Chief Business Officers  
Academic Senate Presidents  
Veterans Services Directors/Coordinators

FROM: Rhonda Mohr  
Vice Chancellor, Student Services and Special Programs

RE: Formal Notification of Intent to Award Veterans Resource Center (VRC) Grant Funds

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This memorandum is a formal notification of the intent to award Veterans Resource Center Grant funds to fifty-nine (59) colleges. An additional \$8,488,000 in one-time VRC grant funding was appropriated in the recently signed 2018-19 budget, which allowed for more awardees than originally anticipated. The additional funding will also allow the Chancellor's Office to release a second VRC Grant RFA at some point in the fall. Colleges that did not apply or applied and were not funded via the original RFA (18-053) will be eligible to apply for the additional round of VRC Grant funds.

A list of the 59 colleges recommended for funding is attached.

Veterans Resource Center Grant applications were reviewed and competitively scored based on meeting minimum required objectives and criteria including project need, response to need, work plan, project management, budget, overall feasibility and sustainability of the project.

Applications were given one of two designations based on the overall score achieved:

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1. Funded (F): These proposals will be recommended to the Board of Governors; funding is pending Board approval at its September meeting.

3. Not Eligible (NE): Proposals in this category received less than the minimum overall score (70) required to be eligible for funding.

**Please note the following;** applicants with an asterisk next to their name represent the 30 colleges awarded via the original RFA funding. The other 29 awardees will be funded via the 2018-19 appropriation. It is not known at this time how long the additional 29 awardees will have to expend their funds. It may be a shorter period of time than what is stated in the RFA. Once that information is provided to the Chancellor's Office we will inform the 29 awardees of the performance period. At a minimum, the 29 awardees will have until 12/31/2020 to expend their funds.

Applicants have ten business days from the day this memorandum is posted online, until Monday, July 30, 2018 at 5:00pm to file an appeal. Please refer to the Request for Applications (RFA 18-053) Section M Grant Appeal Procedures (page 14) for information on filing an appeal. If an appeal is filed during this period, the grants affected will not be awarded until the appeal is resolved. The appeal must specify the grounds of appeal and must be based on the process and/or procedures used in the review and recommendation of application for awards.

The Board of Governors will meet on September 17-18, 2018, to review these recommendations and take final action. Upon approval by the Board of Governors, the Chancellor's Office will contact selected colleges to discuss next steps in the award process.

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