

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Allocation for High-Cost Healthcare Workforce Start-up and Expansion Funds

Request: The State Board of Community Colleges (SBCC) is requested to approve the extension of previously awarded High-Cost Healthcare Workforce funds to support the continued implementation of new and expanding programs in high-demand healthcare fields.

These funds were originally allocated in biennium budget 2023–25 to assist colleges with equipment, instructor costs, and other critical start-up and expansion expenses for healthcare-related workforce programs. Colleges requesting carryforward encountered delays related to procurement, instructor hiring, and program approvals, and have submitted formal extension requests.

Strategic Plan Reference: Goal 4: Economic and Workforce Development

Provide education, training, and credentials to develop the most competitive workforce in the nation.

Strategies: 4.1.1 and 4.2.2

Background: In 2023, the General Assembly appropriated \$35 million in non-recurring ARPA Temporary Savings Funds to support the start-up and expansion of healthcare training programs offered by NC community colleges. The funds support both curriculum and workforce continuing education programs and are designed to build capacity in high-demand, high-cost fields.

Rationale: Delays impacting colleges' ability to expend funds before June 30, 2026 include:

- Vendor and procurement delays (e.g., simulation labs and ambulance equipment)
- Delays in facility upgrades and program accreditation approvals

The funds do not revert, and this carryforward will ensure that investments in the selected healthcare programs are fully realized. System Office staff will continue to provide coaching and coordination with these colleges to support timely implementation and achievement of key milestones.

Method of Allocation: The amounts reflected below represent expenses as of March 31, 2026. Final approved carryforward amounts will be adjusted, as needed, to reflect actual expenditures at the conclusion of the 2025–26 fiscal year. Extension requests were reviewed and verified by System Office staff. All colleges requesting extensions submitted detailed justifications. Funds approved for carryforward will remain available through December 30, 2026. The tables in Appendix A and B display carryforward amounts by college.

Funding Source and Availability: Funding is available through the ARPA Temporary Savings Fund as authorized by Session Law 2023-134, Section 6.2.

Allocation Period:

Original Allocation: January 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Approved Carryforward Period: July 1, 2026 – December 30, 2026

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Appendix A: Start-Up allocations and carryforward amounts

College	Original Allocation	Expended as of March 31, 2026	Carryforward Request
Alamance CC	\$549,212	\$89,076	\$460,136
Asheville-Buncombe TCC	\$633,081	\$55,969	\$577,112
Beaufort County CC	\$24,300	\$3,667	\$20,633
Bladen CC	\$20,429	\$1,717	\$18,712
Blue Ridge CC	\$176,602	\$81,630	\$94,972
Brunswick CC	\$22,550	\$---	\$22,550
Caldwell CC and TI	\$496,171	\$153,630	\$342,541
Cape Fear CC	\$518,783	\$70,830	\$447,953
Carteret CC	\$620,097	\$110,741	\$509,356
Catawba Valley CC	\$515,324	\$71,021	\$444,303
Central Carolina CC	\$289,902	\$134,029	\$155,873
Central Piedmont CC	\$486,542	\$62,001	\$424,541
Cleveland CC	\$615,954	\$59,821	\$556,131
Coastal Carolina CC	\$24,300	\$---	\$24,300
College of The Albemarle	\$285,597	\$16,328	\$269,269
Craven CC	\$301,218	\$91,262	\$209,956
Davidson-Davie CC	\$184,106	\$58,443	\$125,633
Durham TCC	\$500,900	\$---	\$500,900
Edgecombe CC	\$21,350	\$---	\$21,350
Fayetteville TCC	\$500,000	\$---	\$500,000
Forsyth TCC	\$455,270	\$79,603	\$375,667
Gaston College	\$818,170	\$313,850	\$504,320
Guilford TCC	\$156,885	\$126,730	\$30,155
Halifax CC	\$500,000	\$437,128	\$62,872
Haywood CC	\$20,956	\$---	\$20,956
Isothermal CC	\$453,810	\$88,249	\$365,561
James Sprunt CC	\$445,969	\$145,982	\$299,987
Johnston CC	\$956,144	\$160,858	\$795,286
Lenoir CC	\$22,550	\$4,500	\$18,050
Martin CC	\$449,833	\$65,761	\$384,072
Mayland CC	\$234,239	\$88,651	\$145,588
McDowell TCC	\$479,265	\$81,368	\$397,897
Mitchell CC	\$401,771	\$---	\$401,771
Montgomery CC	\$336,477	\$57,598	\$278,879
Pamlico CC	\$500,000	\$---	\$500,000
Piedmont CC	\$627,102	\$399,466	\$227,636
Pitt CC	\$213,715	\$85,410	\$128,305

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Randolph CC	\$441,596	\$58,073	\$383,523
Roanoke-Chowan CC	\$516,488	\$---	\$516,488
Robeson CC	\$524,300	\$5,989	\$518,311
Rockingham CC	\$20,350	\$---	\$20,350
Rowan-Cabarrus CC	\$523,805	\$22,565	\$501,240
Sampson CC	\$21,453	\$5,548	\$15,905
Sandhills CC	\$263,870	\$110,453	\$153,417
South Piedmont CC	\$641,466	\$95,677	\$545,789
Southeastern CC	\$524,300	\$207,727	\$316,573
Southwestern CC	\$215,753	\$65,658	\$150,095
Stanly CC	\$116,532	\$116,532	\$---
Surry CC	\$5,269	\$3,986	\$1,283
Tri-County CC	\$401,217	\$192,400	\$208,817
Vance-Granville CC	\$455,924	\$42,013	\$413,911
Wake TCC	\$540,639	\$88,414	\$452,225
Wayne CC	\$316,156	\$57,707	\$258,449
Western Piedmont CC	\$490,363	\$66,830	\$423,533
Wilkes CC	\$449,298	\$263,868	\$185,430
Wilson CC	\$24,300	\$2,700	\$21,600
	\$20,351,653	\$4,601,459	\$15,750,194

Appendix B: Expansion allocations and carryforward amounts

College	Original Allocation	Expended as of March 31, 2026	Carryforward Request
Alamance CC	\$208,551	\$101,745	\$106,806
Asheville-Buncombe TCC	\$320,509	\$111,478	\$209,031
Beaufort County CC	\$316,237	\$139,988	\$176,249
Bladen CC	\$231,290	\$171,849	\$59,441
Blue Ridge CC	\$182,384	\$---	\$182,384
Brunswick CC	\$125,849	\$65,053	\$60,796
Caldwell CC and TI	\$354,366	\$102,032	\$252,334
Cape Fear CC	\$585,717	\$89,730	\$495,987
Catawba Valley CC	\$89,551	\$89,551	\$---
Central Carolina CC	\$333,001	\$147,256	\$185,745
Central Piedmont CC	\$68,920	\$68,920	\$---
Cleveland CC	\$418,692	\$131,565	\$287,127
Coastal Carolina CC	\$25,592	\$25,592	\$---
Craven CC	\$116,053	\$97,094	\$18,959
Davidson-Davie CC	\$245,724	\$77,875	\$167,849
Durham TCC	\$262,499	\$---	\$262,499
Edgecombe CC	\$258,428	\$104,157	\$154,271
Fayetteville TCC	\$569,031	\$332,514	\$236,517
Forsyth TCC	\$315,622	\$115,225	\$200,397
Guilford TCC	\$247,379	\$85,482	\$161,897
Halifax CC	\$131,603	\$46,120	\$85,483
Haywood CC	\$37,616	\$7,066	\$30,550
Isothermal CC	\$271,390	\$78,342	\$193,048
Johnston CC	\$315,323	\$81,230	\$234,093
Martin CC	\$654,128	\$286,628	\$367,500
McDowell TCC	\$146,547	\$33,040	\$113,507
Mitchell CC	\$222,792	\$41,128	\$181,664
Montgomery CC	\$340,907	\$200	\$340,707
Nash CC	\$191,876	\$151,807	\$40,069
Pamlico CC	\$336,000	\$2,717	\$333,283
Piedmont CC	\$519,161	\$91,057	\$428,104
Pitt CC	\$15,907	\$5,308	\$10,599
Randolph CC	\$150,110	\$47,566	\$102,544
Richmond CC	\$365,353	\$225,091	\$140,262
Roanoke-Chowan CC	\$75,313	\$8,905	\$66,408
Rockingham CC	\$21,883	\$21,883	\$---
Rowan-Cabarrus CC	\$545,485	\$226,357	\$319,128

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Sampson CC	\$70,944	\$2,282	\$68,662
Sandhills CC	\$212,350	\$45,625	\$166,725
South Piedmont CC	\$139,104	\$56,598	\$82,506
Southeastern CC	\$314,394	\$156,488	\$157,906
Surry CC	\$400,000	\$---	\$400,000
Tri-County CC	\$319,142	\$111,382	\$207,760
Vance-Granville CC	\$400,000	\$---	\$400,000
Wake TCC	\$392,812	\$42,722	\$350,090
Wayne CC	\$181,709	\$59,462	\$122,247
Western Piedmont CC	\$156,525	\$35,109	\$121,416
Wilson CC	\$42,166	\$37,852	\$4,314
	\$12,245,935	\$3,959,071	\$8,286,864