

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Allocation for the North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Education Program (NCMSEP)
FY 2019-20

Request: The State Board of Community Colleges is asked to approve an allocation not to exceed \$557,433 to Lenoir Community College (LCC) to provide administrative support for the North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Education Program (NCMSEP).

Strategic Plan Reference:

Theme: System Effectiveness

Goal 5: Leverage partnerships and agreements to create efficiencies for the System as a whole.

Objective 2: Foster regional and system-wide collaborations among colleges

Background: The NCMSEP was created by the NC General Assembly in 1989 to establish and fund a program of motorcycle safety instruction to be delivered through the North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS). Students who graduate from the program may receive a discounted insurance rate.

Lenoir CC has been the host college since 1998 and operates the program in conjunction with the Governor's Highway Safety Program in accordance to G.S. 115D-72. The program began with 17 community college sites; to date, there are 35 community college sites and 2 mobile units. The program is offered through Continuing Education as a community service course offering; as such, students pay a self-support registration fee. The NCMSEP also provides oversight for the Harley Davidson Riding Academy operating at 12 Harley Davidson dealerships as well as military site riding programs.

The NCMSEP offers seven courses: Basic RiderCourse (BRC), Experienced RiderCourse (ERC), Advanced RiderCourse (ARC), 3-Wheel Basic RiderCourse (3WBRC), Returning Rider Basic RiderCourse (RRBRC), RiderCoach Training (Transitional – T-RCP) and 3-Wheel BRC RiderCoach Certification. The curricula were developed by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF). Course description and eligibility requirements can be found at www.ncmotorcyclesafety.org.

Rationale for Allocation:

As the host college for NCMSEP, Lenoir CC provides the following services: 1) program staffing, administrative support, programming support, recruitment and training of qualified instructors; 2) support to local community colleges approved to offer the program; 3) monitor and evaluate the instructors and the driving ranges of other training providers in North Carolina; and 4) submit an annual report as a condition of continued funding.

Allocation Amount and Time Period:

The allocation is not to exceed \$557,433 for the FY July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

Fund Source and Availability:

The NCMSEP is funded by a three-dollar tax imposed on each private motorcycle registered in the state pursuant to G.S. 115D-72 and 20-87(6). The NCMSEP may also receive funding as described in G.S. 20-79.7, "Fees for special registration plates and distribution of fees." There is no general fund appropriation involved.

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