

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Allocation of Basic Skills Funds to Community Based Organizations

Request: The State Board is requested to approve \$1,139,000 in funding for the 2014-2015 program year for 19 CBOs based upon an approved funding formula. The Board is being asked to approve funding for the second year of a two-year grant cycle, July 2013-June 2015. The Board approved the first year's funding in May 2013 (FC14).

Method of Allocation: The Basic Skills Plans and Applications for funding in 2014-2015 was posted on the NCCCS website and was sent to all community based organizations funded during the 2013-2014 program year. Staff from the College and Career Readiness section of the System Office reviewed all applications received to ensure that applicants met all federal requirements.

Funding for acceptable programs was calculated according to a formula approved by the State Board in May 2013. The formula is based on three components which include:

- A base amount of \$6.00 per contact hour for each student in the program with both a valid placement score and at least 12 contact hours during the program year.
- Incentive funding equal to 10% of the base funding amount if the program achieves an average of 40 contact hours per student within the program.
- Incentive funding equal to \$100 per student for each student who achieves at least 1 educational functioning level gain over the course of the program year. This bonus is capped at 25% of the base funding for the program year.

Applicants versus Funded: The Staff from College and Career Readiness recommended funding all 19 proposals received from the CBOs that were funded in 2013-2014.

Staff from College and Career Readiness offered technical assistance to the four programs that applied but were not funded for the program year 2013-2014 and gave them the opportunity to re-apply for funding during the 2014-2015 program year. Of this group, one CBO, Scotland County Literacy Council, submitted an application which was reviewed by three outside readers. Based on the low scores it received, the decision was made not to fund this application for 2014-2015.

Fund Source and Availability: Funding is contingent upon the award of the Workforce Investment Act, Title II, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, from the U. S. Department of Education.

Allocation Amount and Time Period: The allocation amount is \$1,139,000 for the period of July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015.

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Basic Skills Funds for Community Based Organizations
Grant Allotments: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Community Based Organizations	Students	2013-2014 Allotment	2014-2015 Recommended Allotment
Blue Ridge Literacy Council Hendersonville, NC	161	\$72,000	\$70,412
Brunswick County Literacy Council Supply, NC	69	\$11,700	\$12,870
Burke County Literacy Council Morganton, NC	118	\$30,800	\$33,880
Cape Fear Literacy Council Wilmington, NC	279	\$80,300	\$88,330
Craven Literacy Council New Bern, NC	131	\$42,350	\$46,451
Durham Literacy Center Durham, NC	264	\$72,000	\$79,200
Fayetteville Urban Ministry & Adult Reading Program, Fayetteville, NC	85	\$27,100	\$29,810
Gaston Literacy Council Gastonia, NC	196	\$81,000	\$88,074
Harnett County Literacy Dunn, NC	84	\$22,500	\$20,606
Literacy Council of Buncombe County Asheville, NC	264	\$99,000	\$101,185
Literacy Council of Union County Monroe, NC	182	\$56,054	\$61,659
Literacy Council of Wake County Raleigh, NC	280	\$82,500	\$90,750
Literacy Volunteers of America – Pitt County - Greenville, NC	47	\$40,500	\$36,450
Moore County Literacy Council Southern Pines, NC	105	\$23,265	\$25,592
Reading Connections Greensboro, NC	477	\$121,000	\$133,100
MOTHEREAD Raleigh, NC	346	\$71,500	\$78,650
Orange County Literacy Council Chapel Hill, NC	350	\$74,800	\$82,280
Rockingham County Literacy Project, Inc. Wentworth, NC	65	\$29,950	\$29,069
YMCA Literacy Initiative Winston-Salem, NC	100	\$27,848	\$30,632
TOTAL:		\$1,066,167	\$1,139,000