

**STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES**  
**Allocation for Basic Skills Funds for Transitions Grants**

**Request:** The State Board is requested to approve a total of \$1,240,553 in allocations for twenty-three transitions grants for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Funding is for the provision of adult education and literacy transition activities in the following grants: Innovations in Transitions, Pathways to Employment, Project IDEAL, Comprehensive Family Literacy, and Contextualized Family Literacy.

**Method of Allocation:** Transition grant applications were sent to all community colleges and community-based organizations funded during the 2012-2013 program year. A grant reading committee met on June 10, 11, and 12, 2013, and scored all grants on a 100-point scale. Grant readers included representatives from four community agencies, fifteen from community colleges, and six from the System Office. Readers who were also applicants were not allowed to participate in the reading of their own grants or other competing grants.

**Applicants versus Funded:** Due to cut-backs in federal funding, grant allocations needed to be approximately the same amount allocated during the 2012-2013 program year. Transition grant applications were sent to all community colleges and community-based organizations funded during the 2012-2013 program year. A grant reading committee met on June 10, 11, and 12, 2013, and scored all grants on a 100-point scale. Grant readers included representatives from four community agencies, fifteen from community colleges, and six from the System Office. Readers who were also applicants were not allowed to participate in the reading of their own grants or other competing grants.

System Office staff reviewed the budgets for all grants that received scores of 85 points or higher and eliminated items that were unallowable or unreasonable. Unallowable costs include more than 5% for administrative costs, advertising fees, occupational supplies/textbooks, and memberships to professional organizations. Unreasonable costs include any cost that was not explained (budget sheets required a detailed explanation of all costs), fees to travel to national conferences, excessive software/networking/maintenance costs, training provided by other agencies that the System Office provides to local programs free of charge, and local student/staff travel. The amount of funding available only covered the twenty-three grants that received scores of 85 points or higher.

Sixty-six applications were received; however, funding is available for only twenty-three grants. Readers recommended funding the top-scoring twenty-three grants.

**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 \$1,240,553 for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

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**Basic Skills Funds for Transitions Grants**  
**Grant Allotments: July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014**

<b>Innovations in Transitions</b>	<b>2012-2013 Funding Allocation</b>	<b>2013-2014 Requested Allotment</b>	<b>2013-2014 Recommended Allotment</b>
Central Piedmont CC	0	\$69,633	\$55,963
Gaston Literacy Council	0	\$51,994	\$41,335
Isothermal CC	0	\$16,980	\$16,838
Pitt CC	0	\$88,830	\$47,092
Southwestern CC	0	\$236,600	\$114,912
Wilkes CC	0	\$95,808	\$56,533
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$559,845</b>	<b>\$332,673</b>

The programs listed applied for grants, but received under 85 points and were not recommended for funding: Alamance CC, Caldwell CC&TI, Catawba Valley CC, College of the Albemarle, Craven CC, Davidson County Community College, Durham Literacy Council, Halifax CC, Lenoir CC, Literacy Council of Wake County, Mayland CC, McDowell TCC, Sandhills CC, South Piedmont CC, Stanly CC, Wake TCC, Western Piedmont CC

<b>Pathways to Employment</b>	<b>2012-2013 Funding Allocation</b>	<b>2013-2014 Requested Allotment</b>	<b>2013-2014 Recommended Allotment</b>
Central Piedmont CC	\$150,000	\$190,762	\$146,215
Southwestern CC	0	\$102,527	\$102,527
Western Piedmont CC	0	\$12,127	\$11,138
Wilkes CC	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$31,031
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$185,000</b>	<b>\$340,416</b>	<b>\$290,911</b>

The programs listed applied for grants, but received under 85 points and were not recommended for funding: Alamance CC, Caldwell CC&TI, Catawba Valley CC, College of the Albemarle, Davidson County Community College, Sandhills CC, Tri-County CC

<b>Project IDEAL</b>	<b>2012-2013 Funding Allocation</b>	<b>2013-2014 Requested Allotment</b>	<b>2013-2014 Recommended Allotment</b>
Caldwell CC & TI	\$20,000	\$18,748	\$16,948
Literacy Council of Wake County	0	\$19,907	\$19,907
Pitt CC	\$8,024	\$19,060	\$17,498
Wilson CC	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$48,024</b>	<b>\$77,715</b>	<b>\$74,353</b>

The programs listed applied for grants, but received under 85 points and were not recommended for funding: Central Piedmont CC, Davidson County CC, Forsyth TCC, Haywood CC, Mitchell CC, Rockingham CC, Reading Connections

<b>Comprehensive Family Literacy</b>	<b>2012-2013 Funding Allocation</b>	<b>2013-2014 Requested Allotment</b>	<b>2013-2014 Recommended Allotment</b>
Caldwell CC & TI	\$83,250	\$128,170	\$85,610
Craven CC	\$45,108	\$54,000	\$49,000
Wilkes CC	\$107,702	\$107,353	\$100,401
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$236,060</b>	<b>\$289,523</b>	<b>\$235,011</b>

The programs listed below applied for grants, but received under 85 points and were not recommended for funding: Columbus County Literacy, Lenoir CC, Martin CC

<b>Contextualized Family Literacy</b>	<b>2012-2013 Funding Allocation</b>	<b>2013-2014 Requested Allotment</b>	<b>2013-2014 Recommended Allotment</b>
Caldwell CC & TI	0	\$31,669	\$20,842
Central Piedmont CC	0	\$85,278	\$69,570
Gaston Literacy Council	\$40,214	\$58,248	\$50,077
Haywood CC	\$34,754	\$60,387	\$45,171
Piedmont CC	0	\$110,898	\$37,135
Wilson CC	\$34,200	\$90,061	\$84,810
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$109,168</b>	<b>\$436,541</b>	<b>\$307,605</b>

The programs listed below applied for grants, but received under 85 points and were not recommended for funding: Blue Ridge CC, Catawba Valley CC, Durham Literacy Council, Lenoir CC, Literacy Council of Wake County, Reading Connections, Sandhills CC, South Piedmont CC

<b>Totals for all grants:</b>	<b>\$578,252</b>	<b>\$1,704,040</b>	<b>\$1,240,553</b>
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