

#### **Student Support Services Program**

- Imperial Community College District has been selected to receive funding under the Student Support Services Program in the amount of \$422,031 for the first budget period 9/1/15 – 8/31/16. It is anticipated that the grant will be awarded for a total of 5 year(s).
- Through a grant competition, funds are awarded to institutions of higher education to provide opportunities for academic development, assist students with basic college requirements, and to motivate students toward the successful completion of their postsecondary educations.

### **Financial Aid**

- 2014-15 Financial Aid
  - > \$29.1 million in financial aid and fee waivers paid to students
  - > 8.3% increase over last year (\$26.9 million)
  - Over 8500 students received some type of aid
- 2015-16 Financial Aid
  - > Over 6800 applications received year-to-date
  - > 4120 students have been awarded for the coming year

#### Financial Aid Continued...

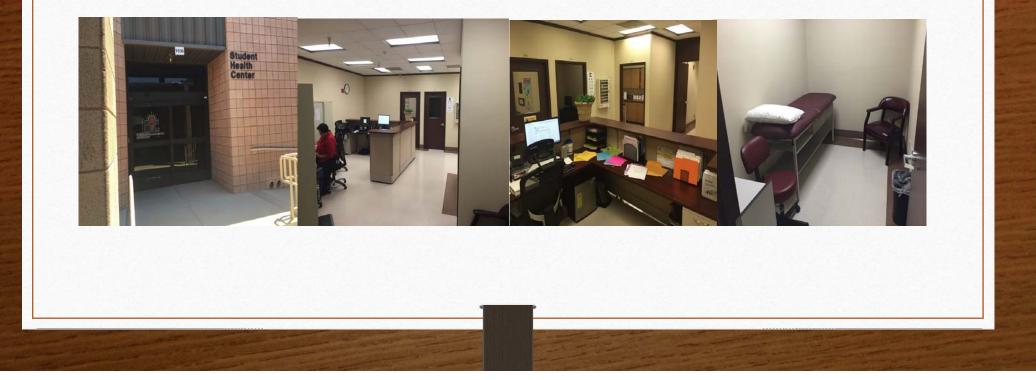
Supplemental Cal Grant B Program

- \$39 million in state funding to implement this new grant program
- Intended to encourage Cal Grant B recipients to complete by awarding additional funds for fulltime attendance
- Will be administered by the Chancellor's office and awarded by the community colleges
- Details to follow but we expect awards will be around \$500 and the program begins this Fall

#### **Student Health Services**

- Student Health Center has moved to a new location:
  - Building 1500, Office #1536 (Next to the Assessment Center)
  - Phone number: 760-355-6310
- Students have been receiving health and psychological services in the new location since the first week of summer school.

## **Student Health Center**



- The new Veterans Center will be located in the College Center and will be open in the fall.
- Financial Aid will be moving to their new location in Building 1700 in the fall.

## **Foundation Office**

- The Foundation Office received \$369K in donations & interest revenue this past year!
- \$230K went to fund student programs, such as scholarships, tutoring programs & athletics.
- Additionally, the Foundation Office was able to realize \$68K in net proceeds that will be carried over for student programs in 2015-2016.

## **In Other News**





Local Legislator's Cal Grants Bill Passes Senate Education Committee

Bill would increase access to financial aid for California students

(SACRAMENTO, CA) — The Senate Education Committee passed AB 1091 authored by Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia (D-Coachella) today on a 9-0 vote. The bill will streamline California's financial aid process and increase Cal Grant and FAFSA application completion rates in California.

"After listening to our students and educators in the district in regards to the struggles they've been having in accessing financial aid funds—something needed to be done. AB 1091 will help eliminate administrative barriers for students and enhance access to the financial aid they need to attend college," said Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia.

#### AB 1091 will:

Streamline California's financial aid process and increase Cal Grant and FAFSA completion rates.
Authorize the California State Aid Commission to require verification of high school graduation to be electronically submitted for high school graduates for the purpose of determining financial aid eligibility.
Authorize the Commission to develop, and make available on its Internet Web site to each school district for the district's use, a standard report that lists the names of all grade 12 pupils within the school district who have and have not completed the FAFSA or the California Dream Act application.
AB 1091 is supported by the California Student Aid Commission, the Coachella Valley Economic Partnership and now heads to the Senate Committee on Appropriations for further consideration.

## **State Update**

- 1. <u>Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative Update:</u> Colleges/districts were required to adopt a goals framework and set goals by June 15. The response by colleges/districts has been unprecedented-all colleges have completed the statutory requirement.
- 2. <u>Workforce Task Force Update:</u> The draft report is complete and the last meeting of the Task Force will be on July 29, followed by two Wrap-up Town Halls on August 25th and 27<sup>th</sup>. The draft report can be found at: <u>http://doingwhatmatters.cccco.edu/StrongWorkforce/DraftReport.aspx</u>
- <u>General Counsel Appointment</u>: Thuy Thi Nguyen has accepted an inter-jurisdictional exchange from the Peralta Community College District for the next year to serve as Interim General Counsel for the Chancellor's office. She most recently served with distinction as the Interim CEO of the Community College League of California.
- 4. <u>Inmate Education Grant Program</u>: The legislature has established a grant program to expand and improve education programs for incarcerated students. Four local grants, totaling \$1.6 million have been awarded to four colleges including: Lassen College, Chaffey College, Antelope Valley College and Folsom Lake College. (IVC was ineligible to apply because we are not within their re-entry hub boundaries.)

## **Community Calendar of Events**

- July 23: Seventh Annual Brawley Chamber Mega-Mixer, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Stockmen's Club, 275 Marjorie Avenue, Brawley
- Aug. 1: Los Vigilantes BBQ Plate Fundraiser, 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. El Centro Chamber of Commerce, 1095 S 4th Street, El Centro; Donation: \$ 10. Tickets available at the chamber. Proceeds to benefit Humane Society of Imperial County.
- Aug. 8: Imperial Valley Press 2nd Annual Back-to-School Fashion Show, 11:00 a.m. 1 p.m. Imperial Valley Mall, in front of Macy's.
- Aug. 22: United Way Cornhole Tournament, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Ricochet 450 W. Aten Road, Imperial, \$20 per person.
- Sept. 16: Quarterly Business Forum, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Brawley Chamber of Commerce, 204 S. Imperial Avenue, Brawley
- Sept. 24-27: Imperial Valley Score International 250 desert off road race.

# **President's Monthly Activities**

- June 18, California Career Pathways Trust Grant Award Celebration
- June 30, FICU Board Meeting
- July 2, Upward Bound Visit
- July 13-15, FICU Conference

The End