



TO: Veterans Services Directors/Coordinators
Chief Executive Officers
Chief Student Services Officers
Chief Business Officers

FROM: Gina Browne
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RE: 2020-21 Veteran Resource Centers Allocations

This guidance memo provides information about the Veteran Resource Centers (VRCs) 2020-21 allocation. The Budget Act of 2020-21 appropriated \$10 million dollars in ongoing funding to support the expansion of California community college VRCs.

2020-21 VRC Allocation Funding Formula

The 2020-21 funding formula divides the \$10,000,000 allocation between two factors: base funding (\$2,000,000) and fair share (\$8,000,000). In July 2020, the Chancellor's Office allocated the base funding to all 113 colleges serving veterans through a resource center (West Hills College Coalinga will not receive a base allocation as their VRC is located at West Hills College Lemoore.) The remaining \$8,000,000 will be allocated in February 2021, based on the 2019-20 fair share of students certified for VA education benefits at all colleges.

Allowable Use of Funds

Annual allocations of funds under this program may only be used toward meeting, or making progress toward meeting, the minimum standards associated with high-functioning Veterans Resource Centers established by the Chancellor's Office (see the attached Minimum Standards for a VRC for details). Funds may not be used to supplant existing funds currently used to provide veterans services including personnel and/or services supported by general funds, categorical funds or other current sources. Colleges have until June 30, 2023, to expend the 2020-21 allocation.

VRC Certification Form

To receive funding, colleges must email a completed and signed VRC certification form to Veterans@cccco.edu no later than 5:00pm on Monday, September 30, 2020.

Veterans Resource Centers 2020-21 Allocation

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If you have any questions concerning this memo, please contact Jacqueline Chacon at veterans@cccco.edu.

Attachments: 2020-21 Veterans Resource Centers Advance Allocation Amounts
 VRC Funding Certification Form for 2020-21
 Minimum Standards for a Veterans Resource Center

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