

**Las Positas College**  
**Budget in Brief: Fiscal Year 2015 – 16**  
**Summary of the Governor’s January Budget Proposal**

On January 9, 2015, Governor Brown released his State Budget Proposal for the 2015-16 fiscal year. The Governor’s budget proposal reflects the improving California economy and his continued positive support for public education. The record \$113 billion General Fund State Budget provides K-14 education with an increase of about \$8 billion, including about \$1 billion for community colleges.

Below is a summary of the Governor’s Budget Proposal as it relates to the California Community Colleges and the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District. The major components of the 2015-16 Budget Proposal for California Community Colleges include:

- **Proposition 98 Minimum Guarantee** – Proposition 98, approved by voters in 1988, sets in the State Constitution a series of formulas that establish the minimum funding level for K-12 education and community colleges from one year to the next. For 2015-16, the Governor’s State Budget proposes a Proposition 98 guarantee of \$65.7 billion. The California Community College’s share of Proposition 98 is 10.95%.
- **Access** - \$106.9 million (or 2% increase) to general purpose apportionment to increase access for approximately 45,000 students (head count), with direction to the Board of Governors to implement a new growth formula beginning in 2015-16.
- **Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)** - \$92.4 million to fund the statutory cost of living adjustment of 1.58%.
- **Base Allocation Funding** - \$125 million increase in base allocation funding to reflect increased operating expenses, including scheduled increases in STRS and PERS retirement contributions.
- **Student Success and Support Program** - \$100 million augmentation for continued expansion of the Student Success and Support Program (formerly Matriculation).
- **Student Equity Plans** - \$100 million to support the implementation of the Student Equity Plan to close achievement gaps in access and achievement in underrepresented student groups.
- **Eliminate Deferrals** - \$94.5 million to completely eliminate the systems inter year cash deferrals.
- **Proposition 39** - \$39.6 million for energy efficiency project grants under Proposition 39.
- **Enhanced Non Credit Rate** - \$49 million to equalize the Career Development and College Preparation (CDCP) non-credit rate to the credit rate.
- **Career Technical Education** - \$48 million in one-time funds to the Chancellor’s Office for the SB 1070 Career Technical Education Pathways Program.

• **Apprenticeship** - \$29.1 million for apprenticeship programs (\$14.1 million to restore rates and seats of current program back to the 2007-08 levels and \$15 million to create new programs in emerging industries with unmet labor needs).

• **Prior Year Mandated Cost Claims** - \$353.3 million in one-time funds, to be allocated on a per full-time equivalent student (FTES) basis, to retire outstanding mandated claims and one-time funding for deferred maintenance, instructional equipment and other onetime costs.

• **Adult Education Block Grant** - \$500 million block grant in which the Governor indicates is an integral component of the state's workforce development strategy.

- o Fund courses in elementary and secondary basic skills, citizenship, ESL, programs for adults with disabilities, short-term CTE programs and programs for apprentices

- o Course offerings to be linked with regional economic needs and provide clear pathways to in-demand jobs

• **Student Fees** – No change to current fee levels.

This information from the Governor's January Budget Proposal will be utilized to assist the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District (CLPCCD) in developing its Tentative and Adoption Budgets for 2015-16 fiscal year.