



# ANNUAL GRANT REPORT

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*Greetings,*

*South Texas College's Department of Resource Development, Management and Compliance is pleased to share the Annual Grant Report for FY21. Included in this report are details about each grant awarded to the college between September 1, 2020, to August 31, 2021.*

*Our team works diligently to provide support for the acquisition of external funds, effective management, and grant compliance. As you review this report, you will see many examples of how grants make a positive difference for the college and the communities served by South Texas College.*

*Our institution's continued success depends on our collective efforts to build new partnerships, create innovative programs, and expand and enhance services that help students to succeed. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with you for more successful grants at South Texas College!*

*Sincerely,*

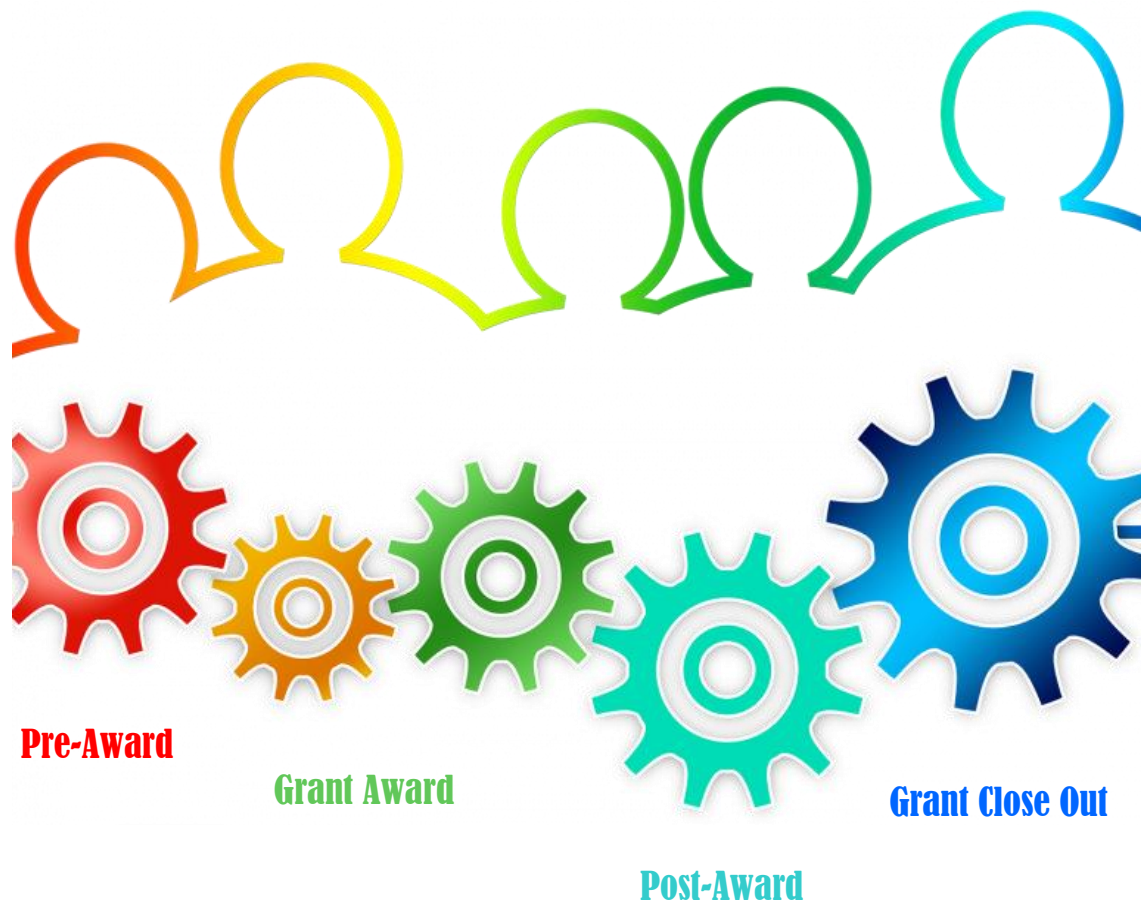


*Virginia Champion, EdD*

*Executive Director for Resource Development, Management and Compliance*

## What We Do, The Department of Resource, Management and Compliance

The Department of Resource Development, Management and Compliance in the Office of the President at South Texas College promotes the identification and acquisition of external funds and resources and supports compliance with grants awarded to the college. Staff members provide pre-grant award services that promote the long-term financial growth of the institution. Grant Development Officers provide technical assistance for the development of fundable proposals that align to one or more of the strategic goals of the college. Grant and Contract Compliance staff provide post-award support for Project Directors and Financial Managers. Guidance and technical assistance from our department is designed to support consistent compliance with applicable regulations, policies, and guidelines from funding agencies.



## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Work-Study Student Mentorship Program, Allocation

Funding Agency:	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
Grant Award:	\$76,214.00
Funding Period:	September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021
Division/Department:	Student Affairs and Enrollment Management/ Comprehensive Advisement and Mentoring Services/Student Financial Services
Project Director:	Dr. Nancy Garcia, Director of Comprehensive Advisement and Mentoring Services
Financial Manager:	Juan Miguel Galvan, Director of Student Financial Services

Funding from this award was for work-study mentors to work with high school students at college and career centers at high schools within the college's service area. Mentorship activities promote the development of a college-going culture and improvement to the retention and completion rates of college students. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #3, Creating Educational Opportunities for Students by providing opportunities for students to participate in a Work-Study Mentorship Program.





## Texas Workforce Commission, Apprenticeship Texas Expansion, South Texas Consortia Project with the Lower Rio Valley Workforce Development Board

Funding Agency: Texas Workforce Commission  
Grant Award: \$115,206.00  
Funding Period: October 1, 2020 to March 31, 2022  
Division/Department: Industry Training and Economic Development,  
Institute for Advanced Manufacturing  
Project Director: Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager  
Financial Manager: Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean of Industry Training and  
Economic Development

Funding from the Lower Rio Workforce Development Board (LRGVWDB) helps to expand the existing Registered Apprenticeship Programs for the South Texas region and offers workplace learning experiences for many first-generation college students with a low socioeconomic status. The LRGVWDB collaborates with the Institute of Advanced Manufacturing to add four new apprenticeship occupations, 60 new youth and adult apprentices. The apprenticeship program helps students work towards a nationally recognized credential and gain the skills needed to prepare for Industry Machinery Mechanic, Production Technician, Construction Superintendent, and Phlebotomy Technician occupations. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Fostering Student Success by providing apprenticeship opportunities.



## United States Department of Education, Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions

Funding Agency:	United States Department of Education
Grant Award: (5 Years)	\$2,573,874.00
Grant Award: (Year 1)	\$585,315.00
Funding Period:	October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2025
Division/Department:	Information Services, Planning, Performance and Strategic Initiatives/Information Services and Planning
Project Director:	Carla M. Rodriguez, Project Coordinator
Financial Manager:	Carla M. Rodriguez, Project Coordinator

This award helps increase access to online tutoring, financial literacy resources that help students effectively manage debt. This project guides students towards a path leading to program completion, employment opportunities, integrating academic coaching and intervention support for course completion. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4 Fostering Student Success, by developing pathways to academic and educational achievement to encompass all students.





## Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Institute of Museum and Library Services, Reimbursement Fund

Funding Agency:	Institute of Museum and Library Services
Grant Award:	\$1,034.06
Funding Period:	September 10, 2020 to October 10, 2020
Division/Department:	Information Services, Planning, Performance and Strategic Initiatives/Library Services
Project Director:	Lisa B. Walters, Associate Dean of Library Services
Financial Manager:	Dr. Jesus H. Campos, Dean of Library and Learning Support Services

This award was for a federally funded reimbursement grant award from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission for interlibrary loan lends made to Texas public libraries. This fund helped reimburse the library for out-of-pocket expenses that included courier and shipping costs, materials, staff time, and cataloging subscriptions associated with interlibrary loan activities. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #5, Cultivate Institutional Excellence by helping to offset costs.



## Lower Rio Grande Valley Workforce Development Board, Workforce Solutions, Child Development Associates Credentialing Program, Additional funds

Funding Agency: Workforce Solutions  
Grant Award: \$149,050.00  
Additional Funds: \$54,000.00  
Funding Period: February 8, 2019 to September 30, 2023  
Division/Department: Social and Behavioral Sciences/Child Development and Early Childhood  
Project Director: Sylvia G. Serrano, Child Development Center Manager  
Financial Manager: Veronica Rodriguez, Department Chair of Child Development

This award was for child care service vendors in Starr, Hidalgo, and Willacy counties. The funds were used for tuition, fees, and textbooks for 25 students that were enrolled at South Texas College during the spring 2021 semester. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Foster Student Success for coordinated efforts to outreach to employees for child care services vendors and enrollment for the Child Development Program at South Texas College.



## National Institute of Health, Bridges to Baccalaureate Research Training Program, Subaward from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Funding Agency:	National Institute of Health
Grant Award: (5 Years)	\$108,966.00
Grant Award: (Year 1)	\$19,798.00
Funding Period:	August 1, 2020 to July 31, 2025
Division/Department:	Mathematics, Science, Information Technology, Bachelor Program/Biology Department
Project Director:	Dr. Shima Chaudhary, Biology Instructor
Financial Manager:	Dr. Maria Y. Cervantes, Department Chair of Biology

This award helped to promote a scholarship opportunity for Associate of Science majors interested in transferring to The University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley's Biomedical Science Program. Approximately five (5) students are recruited annually for the program. Faculty at the college served as research mentors and implement two advanced research skills courses for developing scientific reading comprehension, critical thinking, writing, and oral communication skills and mastery of the scientific method. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #3, Create Educational Opportunities for Students, by providing accessible and inclusive educational opportunities that enable a seamless transfer to advanced degrees.





## Texas Department of Agriculture, Child and Adult Care Food Program

Funding Agency: Texas Department of Agriculture  
Grant Award: \$58,946.55  
Funding Period: October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2025  
Division/Department: Social and Behavioral Sciences/Child Development and Early Childhood  
Project Director: Sylvia G. Serrano, Child Development Center Manager  
Financial Manager: Veronica Rodriguez, Department Chair of Child Development

Funding from this award helped to lower the cost of food services at the South Texas College (STC) Mid Valley Campus, Child Development Center. The Texas Department of Agriculture, Child, and Adult Care Food Program provides reimbursements for nutritious meals and snacks to eligible children who were enrolled at participating child care centers, daycare homes, and adult daycare centers. Support from this grant allowed the STC Mid Valley Campus, Childcare Development Center management staff to purchase food, supplies, equipment, and to serve nutritious meals to children enrolled in care. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Foster Student Success by providing exemplary services for children and student parents and influences academic success.



## Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Susan Harwood, Targeted Training Program

Funding Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Grant Award: \$130,053.00  
Funding Period: September 30, 2020 to September 30, 2021  
Division/Department: Industry Training and Economic Development,  
Institute for Advanced Manufacturing  
Project Director: Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager  
Financial Manager: Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean Industry Training and  
Economic Development

Funding from this award delivered valuable safety and health training to help prevent work-related injuries and possible deaths. Approximately 756 participants were trained on subtopics that included Industry Trucks/Forklifts, Safe Material and Package Handling, Lockout Tag-out, Slips, Trips, Falls, Musculoskeletal Disorders, and Hazardous Communication training. Training materials were developed and acquired using existing Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) educational material. Participants included workers in high-risk, high hazard working conditions, minority workers, and limited English proficiency workers covered under the OSHA Act of 1970 in the light manufacturing industry. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement by aligning educational opportunities with community and workforce needs.





## Development Corporation of McAllen, Inc., Advanced Manufacturing and Robotics Program

Funding Agency:	Development Corporation of McAllen, Inc.
Grant Award:	\$260,000.00
Funding Period:	October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean Industry Training and Economic Development

This award helped increase the total number of high-skilled, high-wage manufacturing jobs in the Rio Grande Valley by providing customized upskill training for new and incumbent workers for Industry occupations in Advanced Manufacturing and Robotics. Funds were used for tuition, training material, supplies, and Institute for Advanced Manufacturing personnel. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement, by providing training that develops skills to meet employer needs and contributes toward the economic mobility of the South Texas region.





## Texas Higher Education Foundation, Texas Emergency Aid Program

Funding Agency: Texas Higher Education Foundation  
Grant Award: \$20,000.00  
Funding Period: October 28, 2020 to April 30, 2021  
Division/Department: Student Affairs and Enrollment Management,  
Student Financial Services  
Project Director: Juan Miguel Galvan, Director of Student Financial Services  
Financial Manager: Miguel Carranza, Associate Dean of Student Financial Services,  
Testing and Veteran Affairs

This award was in response to the related disruption of the college due to the pandemic of 2020. Funding from this grant was awarded to eligible students for related expenses such as meals, housing, technology-related, and or childcare expenses. Funds supported institutions through evidence-based technical assistance to develop or improve capacity, infrastructure, policies, and procedures for emergency aid programs. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Foster Student Success, by providing students with support structures that promote persistence and academic achievement.



## Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco, Manufacturing Training Program

Funding Agency:	The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco
Grant Award:	\$75,000.00
Funding Period:	October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Felix Zamarripa, Training Specialist III Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean Industry Training and Economic Development

This award helped to enhance the professional skills of employees of businesses that provided key services in the City of Weslaco and offer both general and advanced training for industries such as logistics, distribution, manufacturing, production, and Industry supply. The training from this program helped employees and Weslaco-based employers become more productive and efficient and ultimately, more competitive. Funds covered the cost of tuition, materials, and supplies for classes. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement, by providing training that develops skills to meet employer needs and contributes toward the economic mobility of the region.



## John G. and Marie Stella Kenedy Memorial Foundation, Scholarship Fund

Funding Agency:	John G. and Marie Stella Kenedy Memorial Foundation Grant
Award:	\$15,000.00
Funding Period:	November 16, 2020 to October 31, 2021
Division/Department:	Business, Public Safety and Technology
Project Director:	Sara M. Lozano, Dean of Business, Public Safety and Technology
Financial Manager:	Sara M. Lozano, Dean of Business, Public Safety and Technology

Funding from this award provided scholarships for students that needed financial assistance to help support the completion of an Associate of Applied Science Degree in a technical field through the South Texas College, Division of Business, Public Safety, and Technology Department. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Fostering Student Success, by providing scholarships to students wishing to pursue an Associate of Applied Science Degree.





## **Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Institute of Museum and Library Services, Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Cycle 2 Grant**

Funding Agency: Texas State Library and Archives Commission  
Grant Award: \$50,000.00  
Funding Period: November 9, 2020 to August 31, 2021  
Division/Department: Information Services, Planning, Performance and Strategic Initiatives/Library Services  
Project Director: Lisa B. Walters, Associate Dean of Library Services  
Financial Manager: Dr. Jesus H. Campos, Dean of Library and Learning Support Services

Funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act award provided Internet accessibility with mobile hotspots for students served by the college. Eligible students were required to be registered at least half time, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, Blackboard Orientation completion certification, a library orientation, and have a minimum cumulative 2.25 Grade Point Average. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Foster Student Success, by providing support structures that promote persistence and educational attainment.



## Texas Workforce Commission, Skills for Small Business

Agency: Texas Workforce Commission  
Grant Award: \$210,000.00  
Funding Period: December 15, 2020 to December 31, 2021  
Division/Department: Continuing, Professional, and Workforce Education, Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing  
Project Director: Daniela Masten, Program Developer and Coordinator  
Financial Manager: Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

Funding from this award helped to provide training for employees of small businesses to upgrade employment skills. Courses offered through this grant award include business courses, computer skills, customer service, and medical front office skills. The program covers tuition and fees for course offerings provided by the college for new hires and incumbent workers. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #3, Create Educational Opportunities for Students by strengthening college readiness for all students in our region.



## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Texas Reskilling Support Fund, Round 1

Funding Agency:	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
Grant Award:	\$112,500.00
Funding Period:	January 4, 2021 to February 15, 2022
Division/Department:	Continuing, Professional, and Workforce Education
Project Director:	Elizabeth Hernandez, Program Developer and Coordinator
Financial Manager:	Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

Funding from this award helped to provide up to 75 students with support for tuition and fees in high-value workforce credential programs such as Emergency Medical Responder, Medical Billing, and Coding Specialist, Certified Nurse Assistant, Certified Robot Operator, and Machine Operator. The college's outreach plans included referrals from Workforce Solutions using social media and news outlets, as well as community organizations. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement by aligning educational opportunities with workforce needs.





## Texas Workforce Commission, Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Math! Camp for Kids with Disabilities Program

Funding Agency:	Texas Workforce Commission
Grant Award:	\$31,000.00
Funding Period:	March 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean of Industry Training and Economic Development

Funding from this award helped to provide Science, Engineering, Technology and Math, (STEM) based summer camps for students with disabilities (ages 14-22) the opportunity to learn about STEM occupations through virtual and hands-on activities. Students received online instruction through Microsoft Teams. Grant-supported funding also included curriculum development and an Instructional Coach to provide interactive learning experiences to help encourage students to persist in STEM-related studies. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement by providing middle and high school students with disabilities, the opportunity to engage in educational experiences through Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math learning camps that encourage them to pursue higher education in STEM-related occupations.



## Texas Workforce Commission, Skills Development Fund

Funding Agency: Texas Workforce Commission  
Grant Award: \$50,000.00  
Funding Period: April 15, 2021 to March 31, 2022  
Division/Department: Industry Training and Economic Development,  
Institute for Advanced Manufacturing  
Project Director: Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager  
Financial Manager: Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean Industry,  
Training and Economic Development

This award helped to provide customized training in the areas of Advanced Technologies, Manufacturing, Information Technology, Healthcare and Construction with established partnerships and local private businesses. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal # 3, High Success Rate. Participating trainees develop the knowledge and skills necessary for current employment, which can increase the potential for economic and social mobility for our region.



## RGV Focus, Communities Foundation of Texas, Apprenticeship Grant

Funding Agency:	Educate Texas, a public-private initiative of Communities Foundation of Texas
Grant Award:	\$25,000.00
Funding Period:	April 1, 2021 to December 15, 2021
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean of Industry Training and Economic Development

This award helps students enrolled in the Employer Apprenticeship Program at South Texas College. Students receive a certificate of completion and make substantial progress toward earning the Department of Labor's Apprenticeship Journeyman Certification. Funds support up to 25 apprentices enrolled in the Employer Apprenticeship Program in connection with the Texas Workforce Commission Apprenticeship Training Program. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Leading Community Engagement, and Strategic Goal #2, Create Educational Opportunities for students by developing continuing education opportunities with the local community and workforce needs and by establishing these opportunities as a stepping stone to a meaningful career and educational pathways.





## RGV Focus, Communities Foundation of Texas, Micro-credentials Program

Funding Agency:	Educate Texas, a public-private initiative of Communities Foundation of Texas
Grant Award:	\$25,000.00
Funding Period:	April 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021
Division/Department:	Information Services, Planning, Performance and Strategic Initiatives/Office of Strategic Initiatives
Project Director:	Isaac Garza, Project Manager
Financial Manager:	Isaac Garza, Project Manager

This award supported workforce training programs that led Industry-Based Certification programs for occupations that included Certified Electrocardiograph Technician, Structural Steel Welding, Introduction to Programming Using Python, Basic Jailer Exam, Certified Secure Computer User and Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning. Each of these credentials was chosen due to their value and provided students with an entry point to stackable pathways that led to continued education and workforce degree completion. Funding also supported student fees to minimize expenses. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Leading Community Engagement by developing educational opportunities with the local community and workforce needs and by establishing these opportunities as a stepping stone to educational pathways.



## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Texas Reskilling Support Fund, Round 2

Funding Agency: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board  
Grant Award: \$112,500.00  
Funding Period: March 4, 2021 to February 15, 2022  
Division/Department: Student Affairs and Enrollment Management,  
Student Financial Services  
Project Director: Matthew S. Hebbard, Vice President for Student Affairs and  
Enrollment Management  
Financial Manager: Miguel Carranza, Associate Dean of Student Financial Services,  
Testing and Veteran Affairs

Funding from this award helps to provide 75 students with support for tuition, fees, and program enrollment for courses in high-value workforce credentialing for Computer and Information Sciences, Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology, Emergency Medical Technology, Diagnostic Medical Sonography, and Registered Nursing occupation programs. College staff provides daily intrusive case management that focuses on attendance, academic progress, and assists with challenges at home that may impede performance. This award aligns to Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement, by aligning educational opportunities with community and workforce needs.



## Texas Workforce Commission, Skills Development Fund, Coronavirus Pandemic Special Initiative, Additional Funds

Funding Agency: Texas Workforce Commission

Original Award: (2020) \$287,500.00

Additional Funds: \$62,500.00

Funding Period: June 8, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Division/Department: Continuing, Professional and Workforce Education,  
Industry Training and Economic Development  
Institute for Advanced Manufacturing

Project Director: Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

Financial Manager: Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

This award helped to provide special training in response to the needs of the pandemic. This training targeted business partners retooling their processes in response to the pandemic, as well as those businesses that were provided continuing employment. Industries targeted for this grant included Healthcare, Manufacturing, Information Technology, Transportation, Construction, and Goods and Services. Training topics included billing for telehealth services, disinfection training, pandemic-related stress, customer safety, and cross-training for employees. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Lead Community Engagement, by strengthening partnerships with local organizations to align educational opportunities with workforce needs.





## BBVA Foundation, Community Giving Program

Funding Agency:	BBVA Foundation
Grant Award 1:	\$8,000.00
Funding Period:	October 18, 2020 to October 7, 2021
Grant Award 2:	\$7,500.00
Funding Period:	September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean of Industry Training and Economic Development

The initial award helped to underwrite the Robotics and Industry 4.0 Certification Program to offset tuition and fees for 12 new and incumbent workers. The BBVA Foundation contributed an additional \$7,500 to support this program. Participants receive an industry-recognized credential from Festo Didactic. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #2, Access and Success, by providing students access to resources to enroll in South Texas College's Advanced Industry Automation Training Program.



## Lower Rio Grande Valley Workforce Development Board, Workforce Solutions, Infant and Toddler Initiative

Funding Agency: Lower Rio Grande Valley Workforce Development Board, Texas  
Workforce Commission

Grant award: \$5,000.00

Funding Period: May 10, 2021 to June 10, 2021

Division/Department: Social and Behavioral Sciences/Child Development and Early  
Childhood

Project Director: Sylvia G. Serrano, Child Development Center Manager

Financial Manager: Cecilia Villagran, Childcare Services Developer

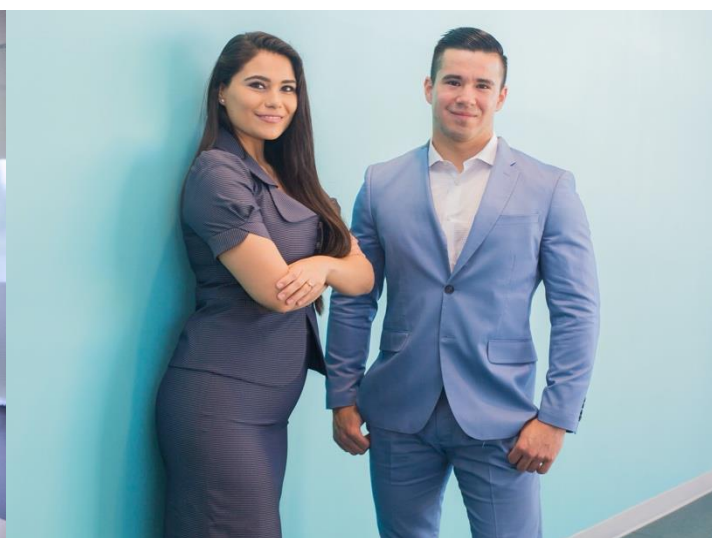
This award helped to fund equipment and materials for the South Texas College (STC) Mid Valley Campus Child Development Center for use in the infant and toddler classroom. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Fostering Student Success by providing equipment and educational materials to support the overall growth and development of the children of STC students while their parents were attending college classes.



## Texas Pioneer Foundation, High School Equivalency Leads to College and Employment Program

Funding Agency:	Texas Pioneer Foundation
Grant Award:	\$150,000.00
Matching Funds:	\$100,890.00
Funding Period:	July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
Division/Department:	Continuing, Professional and Workforce Education
Project Director:	Xenia Munoz, Program Developer and Coordinator
Financial Manager:	Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

This award helps to serve 200 low-income residents from Hidalgo and Starr counties with 150 hours of General Equivalency Diploma preparation contextualized to various industry clusters, 6 hours of Academic Success Skills, 4 hours of College Connections, 5 hours of Job Readiness Skills, and 4 hours of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation/Automated External Defibrillator (CPR/AED) Certification. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #2, Access and Success, by providing students with access to High School Equivalency preparation.

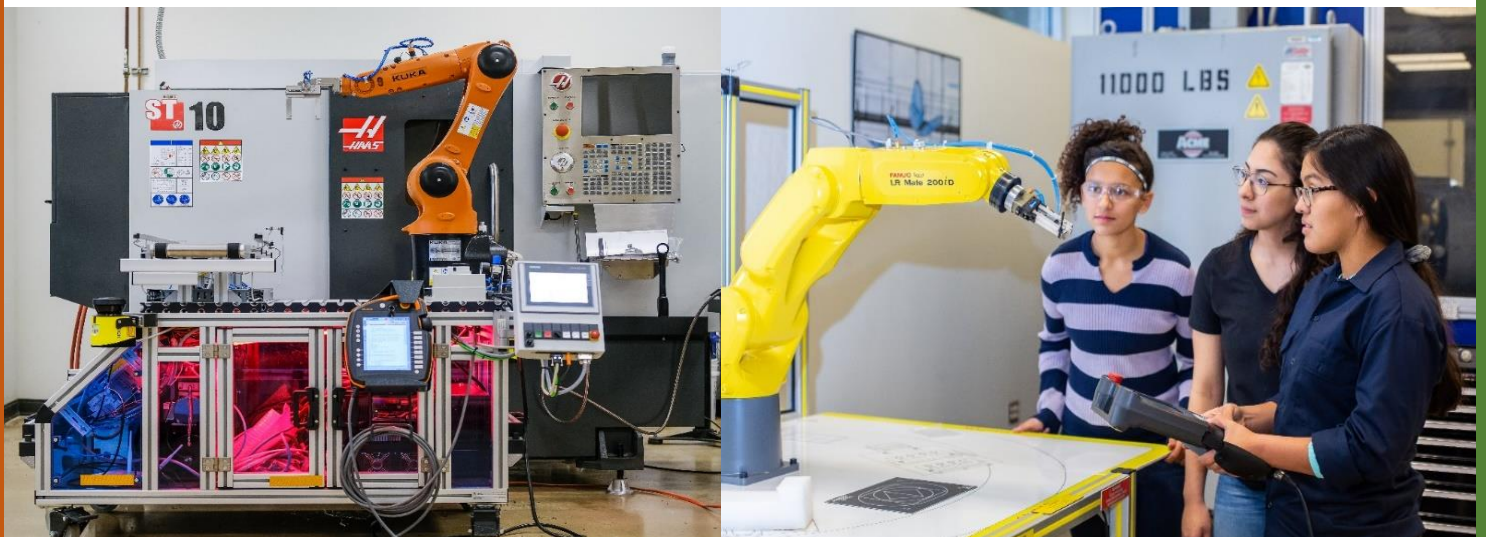




## Texas Workforce Commission, Apprenticeship Expansion Program

Funding Agency:	Texas Workforce Commission
Grant Award:	\$202,898.00
Funding Period:	April 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean of Industry Training and Economic Development

This award is for the expansion of the Registered Apprenticeship programs (RAPs) and work-based learning opportunities. The Institute of Advanced Manufacturing will engage employers to help support the state's prescribed target of establishing thirty-three (33) new RAPs for 110 new apprentices and expanding upon existing RAPs. This apprenticeship program gives students a chance to work towards a nationally recognized credential to help them gain the skills and knowledge needed to prepare for a Production Technician, Phlebotomy Technician, Construction Superintendent/Manager, and Computer Numerical Controlled Programmers. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #2, Access and Success, by providing students with access to the skills and knowledge needed to prepare for occupations.



## Texas Workforce Commission, Child Care Relief Fund

Funding Agency:	Texas Workforce Commission
Grant Award:	\$70,242.00
Funding Period:	April 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021
Division/Department:	Social and Behavioral Sciences/Child Development and Early Childhood
Project Director:	Sylvia G. Serrano, Child Development Center Manager
Financial Manager:	Cecilia Villagran, Childcare Services Developer

The Mid-Valley Campus Child Development Center was invited to receive Child Care Relief Funding as a result of the pandemic. The Texas Workforce Commission approved multiple policy and funding actions to support families and child care providers due to the pandemic. This grant award was used for auxiliary positions at the Child Development Center. The payment amount was based on the child care program's licensed capacity and the 75th percentile of the average local market rate for child care in the area. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4, Fostering Student Success to support the overall growth and development of children of South Texas College students while their parents attend college classes.



## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Carl D. Perkins Basic, Reallocation (FY21)

Funding Agency: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board  
Reallocation: \$257,649.20  
Funding Period: September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021  
Division/Department: Office of the President/Resource Development, Management and Compliance  
Project Director: Samantha B. Uriegas, Grant Management and Compliance Officer II/Perkins Principal Investigator  
Financial Manager: Samantha B. Uriegas, Grant Management and Compliance Officer II/Perkins Principal Investigator

This award focused on improving the academic and technical achievement of Career and Technical Education (CTE) students, strengthening the connections between secondary, postsecondary education, employer engagement, and improving accountability. Funds were used institution-wide for instructional equipment, training services, professional development, CTE personnel, and other program activities for Career and Technical Education in the Division of Academic Affairs (Nursing and Allied Health, Business, Public Safety, and Technology, Math, Science, Information Technology, and Bachelor Programs, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences), Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and Information Services, Planning, Performance, and Strategic Initiatives. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Clear Pathways, by increasing community awareness and access to career and technical education programs that align with Strengthening CTE Education for the 21st Century Act.





## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Carl D. Perkins Basic (FY22)

Funding Agency: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board  
Grant Award: \$2,163,618.00  
Funding Period: September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022  
Division/Department: Office of the President/Resource Development, Management and Compliance  
Project Director: Samantha B. Uriegas, Grant Management and Compliance Officer II/Perkins Principal Investigator  
Financial Manager: Samantha B. Uriegas, Grant Management and Compliance Officer II/Perkins Principal Investigator

This award focuses on improving the academic and technical achievement of Career and Technical Education (CTE) students, strengthening the connections between secondary, postsecondary education, employer engagement, and improving accountability. Funds will be used for instructional equipment, training services, professional development, CTE personnel, and other program activities for Career and Technical Education in the Division of Academic Affairs (Nursing and Allied Health, Business, Public Safety, and Technology, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences), Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and Information Services, Planning, Performance, and Strategic Initiatives. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Clear Pathways by increasing community awareness and access to career and technical education programs that align to the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act.



## Texas Workforce Commission, Information Technology Registered Apprenticeship Expansion Program

Funding Agency:	Texas Workforce Commission
Funding Period:	September 1, 2021 to February 28, 2023
Grant Award:	\$199,981.00
Funding Agency:	Texas Workforce Commission
Grant Award:	\$202,898.00
Division/Department:	Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Leonel O. Garcia, Training Manager
Financial Manager:	Dr. Carlos L. Margo, Associate Dean of Industry Training and Economic Development

This award helps create work-based learning opportunities for students in the Registered Apprenticeship Expansion Program (RAP). The department will engage five employers to help support 50 new apprentices and three new Information Technology RAPs. The apprenticeship expansion program allows students an opportunity to work towards a nationally recognized credential and help them gain the skills and knowledge needed to prepare for occupations that include Computer Network Support Specialist, Information and Records Clerk, and Computer User Support Specialist. This grant aligns with Strategic Goals #1, Clear Pathways, and Strategic Goal #2, Access and Success, by increasing community awareness and access to career and technical education programs that include apprenticeship opportunities.



## Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Open Educational Resources Course Development and Implementation Program

Funding Agency:	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
Funding Period:	September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022
Grant Award:	\$76,145.25
Division/Department:	Math, Science, Information Technology and Bachelor Programs/Math and Philosophy Department
Project Director:	Rosa E. Gutierrez, Mathematics Instructor Dr. Aaron B. Wilson, Assoc. Professor of Philosophy
Financial Manager:	Dr. Ali Esmaeili, Dean of Mathematics, Science, Information Technology and Bachelor Programs

This award supports the enhancement and quality of online course offerings and reduced the costs of educational materials for students to support Open Educational Resources (OER). This is a consortium project together with the University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley, and the University of Texas-Dallas to develop a new OER for three mathematics (MATH) courses (MATH 2413-Differential Calculus, MATH 2412-Precalculus, and MATH 1414 College Algebra). Under the implementation grant, South Texas College curated readings and activities from existing OER for Introduction to Ethics (Philosophy 2306). This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #3, Create Educational Opportunities, by providing accessible and inclusive educational opportunities that align programs with emerging technologies.





## Greater Texas Foundation, Health Care and Information, Post-Secondary Career Pathways Program

Funding Agency:	Greater Texas Foundation
Funding Period:	September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022
Grant Award:	\$80,592.00
Division/Department:	Continuing, Professional and Workforce Education
Project Director:	Elizabeth Hernandez, Program Developer and Coordinator
Financial Manager:	Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

This award is for 57 student participants that do not have a high school diploma or a General Equivalency Degree (GED) and are co-enrolled in a GED and technical training program. The training helps them to complete an industry-recognized certification and college credit conversion Electrocardiograph (EKG) Technician, Phlebotomy Technician, and Microsoft Office Specialist. Students transition towards a college certificate program and employment. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Clear Pathways, by ensuring that students engage in learning in preparation for the workforce, which positively affects the economic and social mobility of the community.



# GREATER TEXAS FOUNDATION

## **Rio South Texas Education and Community Development Foundation, Post-Secondary Career Pathways in Healthcare, Information Technology, and Manufacturing Program**

Funding Agency:	Rio South Texas Education and Community Development
Foundation Grant Award:	\$116,330.08
Matching Funds:	\$118,650.00
Funding Period:	September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022
Division/Department:	Continuing, Professional and Workforce Education, Industry Training and Economic Development, Institute for Advanced Manufacturing
Project Director:	Elizabeth Hernandez, Program Developer and Coordinator
Financial Manager:	Olivia De La Rosa, Director of Professional and Workforce Education

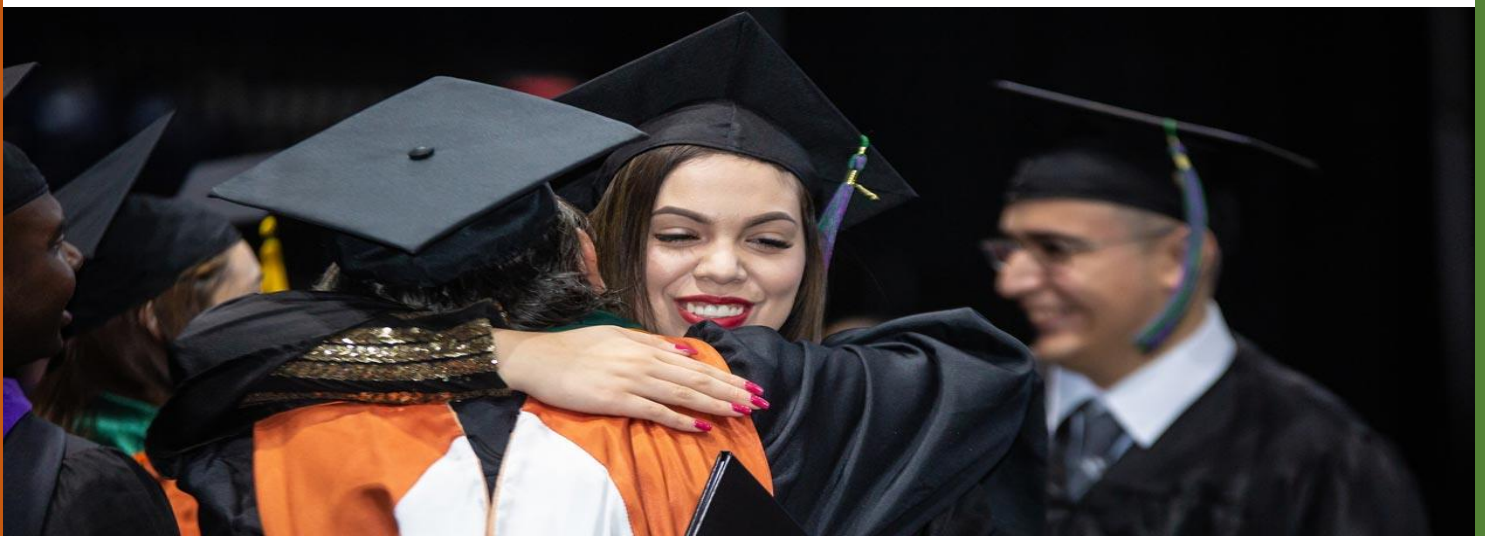
This award is for 72 student participants that do not have a high school diploma or a General Equivalency Degree (GED) and are co-enrolled in a GED completion program and one of six technical training programs leading to industry-recognized certifications and college credit conversion Electrocardiograph Technician, Phlebotomy Technician, Microsoft Office Specialist, Fuji Automatic Numerical Control Robot Operator, Computer Numerical Control Operator Assistant, and Production Operator Assistant. The grant helps them to them persist and complete, and to transition to a college certificate program and employment. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #1, Clear Pathways, by ensuring that students engage in learning in preparation for the workforce, which positively affects the economic and social mobility of the community.



## RGV Focus, Communities Foundation of Texas, Educate Texas, Industry Based Certification Program

Funding Agency:	Educate Texas, a public-private initiative of Communities Foundation of Texas
Grant Award:	\$30,000.00
Funding Period:	August 15, 2021 to May 31, 2022
Division/Department:	Information Services, Planning, Performance and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Strategic Initiatives
Project Director:	Isaac Garza, Project Manager
Financial Manager:	Isaac Garza, Project Manager

This award is to provide micro-credential testing for 100 students to assist with an Industry-Based Certification (IBC's) and enter a high-demand workforce occupation or next level of education and build upon previous support from Communities Foundation of Texas and Educate Texas. Students build upon successful attainment of IBC's to continue toward continuing education or academic and workforce programs, as part of South Texas College's (STC) stackable credential pathways. Overall, STC increases opportunities and success for students earning an Industry Based Credential. This grant aligns to Strategic Goal #3, Create Educational Opportunities for Students, by aligning programs with emerging technologies and changing needs in the job market.





## South Texas Agriculture Roadmap for Training, Research, Experiential Learning, and Careers in Food, Agriculture, and Natural Resources, Subaward from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Funding Agency:	United States Department of Agriculture
Funding Period:	September 1, 2021 to July 31, 2025
Grant Award:	\$70,000.00
Division/Department:	Math, Science, Information Technology and Bachelor Program /Biology
Project Director:	Jorge E. Cantu, Biology Instructor
Co-Project Director:	Dr. Ismael E. Badillo-Vargas, Biology Instructor
Financial Manager:	Dr. Maria Y. Cervantes, Department Chair of Biology

This award provides scholarship funding for selected Associate of Science majors. Students were selected based on their interest in careers in food, agriculture, and natural resources and will receive financial support, and assistance with the transfer process for matriculation to the University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley, Agricultural Sciences program. This award aligns to Strategic Goal #3, Create Educational Opportunities for Students, by offering opportunities that enable a seamless transfer to advanced degrees and align with emerging workforce needs.



## **Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding**

### **United States Department of Education, Education Stabilization Fund, Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Securities Act, under the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund Allocation**

Funding Agency:	United States Department of Education
Grant Award:	\$537,084.00
Funding Period:	September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021
Division/Department:	Student Affairs and Enrollment Management/Student Financial Services
Project Director:	Dr. Nancy Garcia, Director of Comprehensive Advisement and Mentoring Services
Financial Manager:	Juan Miguel Galvan, Director of Student Financial Services

This award was used to provide financial relief for students who suffered a financial impact related to the pandemic and who were enrolled in coursework leading to an associate, baccalaureate degree or certificate program and graduated from high school in 2019-2020. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal #4 Fostering Student Success.

### **United States Department of Education, Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II and III, Institutional Allocation**

Funding Agency:	United States Department of Education
Original Award: (2020)	\$10,011,199.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$32,178,403.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$36,274,751.00
Funding Period:	May 7, 2021 to May 19, 2022
Division/Department:	Finance and Administrative Services
Project Director:	Mary Elizondo, Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services
Financial Manager:	Myriam Lopez, Comptroller



This award assists the college with institutional costs, including lost revenue, for eligible expenses associated with a transition to distance education, faculty and staff training, and payroll or other related circumstances related to the pandemic.

## United States Department of Education, Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II and III, Student Aid Allocation

Funding Agency:	United States Department of Education
Original Award: (2020)	\$10,011,199.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$10,011,199.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$37,592,196.00
Funding Period:	April 25, 2021 to May 19, 2022
Division/Department:	Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Services/ Student Financial Services
Project Director:	Matthew S. Hebbard, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management
Financial Manager:	Miguel Carranza, Associate Dean of Student Financial Services, Testing and Veteran Affairs

This award prioritizes students with an exceptional need, such as those who received Pell grants or undergraduates with extraordinary financial circumstances. Student eligibility for Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund includes those who are enrolled in an institution of higher education during the national emergency eligible for emergency financial aid grants, regardless of whether they completed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid or are eligible for Title IV. funds.





## United States Department of Education, Minority Serving Institutions, Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act, Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II and III Additional Funding

Funding Agency:	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
Original Award: (2020)	\$1,255,089.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$3,873,690.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$2,283,123.00
Additional Funds: (2021)	\$11,550.00
Funding Period:	June 6, 2020 to August 5, 2022
Division/Department:	Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Services, Student Financial Services
Project Director:	Matthew S. Hebbard, Vice President, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Services
Financial Manager:	Miguel Carranza, Associate Dean, Student Financial Services, Testing and Veterans Affairs



This award assists eligible students affected by the pandemic with their cost of attendance, including, housing, course material, technology, health care, and child care.

## United States Department of Education, Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund, Supplemental Assistance

Funding Agency:	United States Department of Education
Grant Award:	\$10,136,521.00
Funding Period:	July 31, 2021 to July 31, 2022
Division/Department:	Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Services, Student Financial Services
Project Director:	Matthew Hebbard, Vice President
Financial Manager:	Juan Miguel Galvan, Director of Student Financial Services

This award assists students with unmet needs related to recovery from disruptions in finances, day to day operations, instruction and support due to the pandemic. The college used these funds to establish a separate grant-supported scholarship fund to support eligible students with micro-scholarships to cover qualified expenses.

## FY20 to FY21 Funding Comparison

South Texas College (STC) is a recipient of federal, state, local, and private funds. Overall, in a comparison of FY20 to FY21, there was a commendable increase of 33.11% in awards.

**Table 1**  
**FY20 and FY21 Funding Comparison**

FY 20	FY 21	Percent Change	Amount of Change
\$6,116,581.91	\$8,141,833.14	33.11%	\$2,025,251.23

The federal government disperses funding to state and local governments, universities, and colleges, researching institutions, municipalities, and nonprofit agencies. South Texas College receives both direct federal funding and federal pass-through funding from state agencies or other organizations. South Texas College is also a direct recipient of state funding, predominantly from the Texas Workforce Commission but also the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and grants Board and grants from the Texas Education Agency in partnership with school districts. The college also seeks funding from foundations that many large corporations have, as well as private foundations that have been established by individuals and groups with a common cause and a defined mission. Additionally, local municipalities and other private entities, such as Economic Development Corporations have awarded resources to support South Texas College.

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