Regional K-16 Education Collaboratives Grant Program

Overview Webinar
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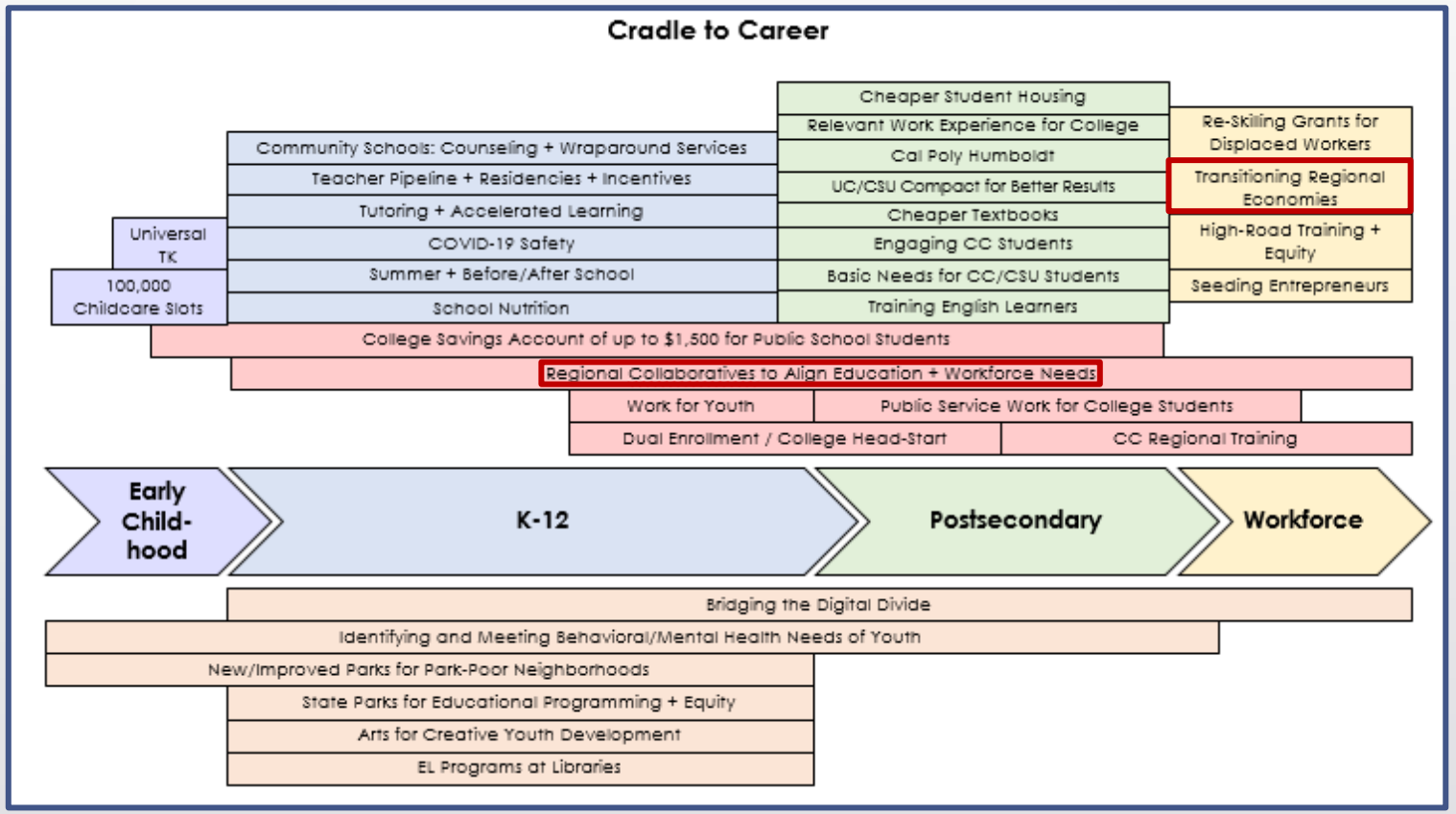
Strategic Context



Role of the Collaboratives

- **Who:** TK-12 districts, postsecondary institutions, employers, community stakeholders

- **What:** $250M in grants to fund targeted partnerships to
  - (a) Improve specific supports for students and families; and
  - (b) Create specific career pathways needed to fuel regional economies.

- **Why:** Collaboration takes work.
  - Over the next several years, we'll see the impact of investments made across education and workforce systems.
  - The collaboratives will cultivate the relationships and people infrastructure to ensure the collaboration is successful and community-driven.

Existing Models

- One of the models for this statewide investment is the **Fresno K-16 Collaborative.**
- **Fresno K-16 Collaborative:**
  - Organic, multi-year partnership between education leaders
  - Focus on data-sharing, dual enrollment, student supports, and employer partners
  - Serves to build relationships and convene key partners to successfully build career pathways

Program Status

- Program will be administered by the Office of Public School Construction(OPSC), an office within DGS, with the assistance of a Third-Party Administrator (TPA) as a subject matter expert particularly with respect to higher education systems.
- Solicitation for Third-Party Administrator closed on December 9, 2021. Proposals were opened today (12.10.2021). OPSC will be awarding the contract quickly and will immediately start work with the TPA.

Next Steps

- Once the TPA is under contract, OPSC and the TPA will begin conducting stakeholder meetings to develop the grant application.
  - Stakeholder meetings are open to the public and feedback is welcome
  - Meetings will be webcast and/or on Zoom
  - Estimated timing of stakeholder meetings is January-February 2022
- Estimated Grant Filing Period is March/April 2022
- Awards announced in May 2022

How can I prepare to submit a Grant Application?

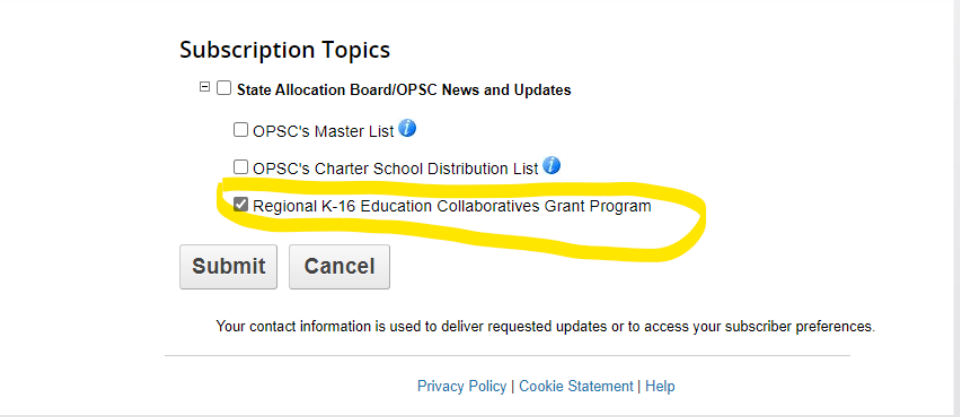
- Statute specifies the criteria the collaborative must meet. Applicants should become familiar with the criteria and be prepared to demonstrate criteria have been met or have a plan to do so.
  - The make up of the collaborative must include the following:
    - Include at least one K-12 school district, at least one University of California campus, at least one California State University campus, and at least one California Community College district.
  - The steering committee must include the following:
    - At least 25 percent of the members shall be local employers, thereby ensuring that regional economic needs inform the creation of the streamlined pathways
  - The full listing of the criteria can be found here: https://www.dgs.ca.gov/OPSC/Services/Page-Content/Office-of-Public-School-Construction-Services-List-Folder/Access-Regional-K-16-Education-Collaboratives-Grant-Program-Funding

Other Resources

- When thinking about the grant application, applicants may also want to look at other resources that relate to the goals of this program. This includes the following:
  - California Cradle-to-Career System
  - Community Economic Resilience Fund
  - February 2021 Recovery with Equity Report

How can I stay informed as the program develops?

- Join OPSC's email list for program updates:
  - https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CADGS/subscriber/new?qsp=CADGS_4



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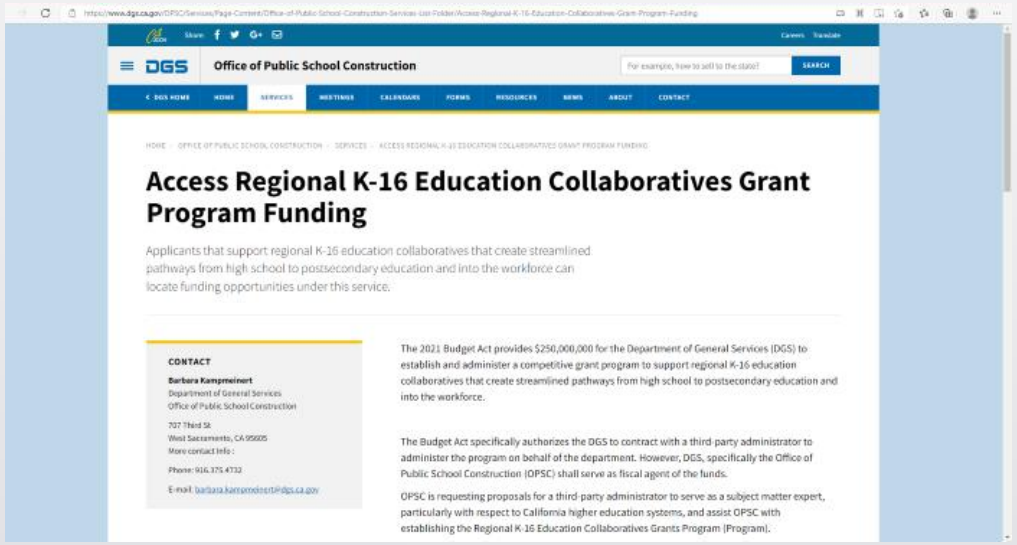

- Watch the webpage for the program for updates. The link is: https://www.dgs.ca.gov/OPSC/Services/Page-Content/Office-of-Public-School-Construction-Services-List-Folder/Access-Regional-K-16-Education-Collaboratives-Grant-Program-Fund