

SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

TO: Board of Trustees

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SUBJECT: Strategic Plan Goal - 1 Status Update

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information only and no action is necessary.

OVERVIEW

The current document provides a review of important actions and highlights related to Goal 1 (Eliminate Barriers to Student Access and Success).

ANALYSIS

SBCCD is committed to improving student experiences by expanding academic programs, streamlining processes, and enhancing workforce development. These initiatives promote equity, benefit our communities, and position SBCCD to secure new funding, ensuring continued support for our students and regional needs.

SBCCD GOALS

1. Eliminate Barriers to Student Access and Success.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.



MONTHLY STATUS UPDATE

FALL 2025



GOAL 1: ELIMINATE BARRIERS TO STUDENT ACCESS AND SUCCESS

Increasing Student Offerings

- ✓ SBCCD is developing an associate degree in Ethnic Studies and short-term certificates in Black and Latinx Studies.
- ✓ SBCCD partnered with Redlands USD to facilitate the sharing of FAFSA data. As a result, SBCCD is offering bilingual workshops to assist students with completing FAFSA and DREAM Act applications.

Streamlining Processes

- ✓ SBCCD integrated placement directly into the CCCApply application, eliminating a separate form and simplifying the process for new students.

Expanding our Workforce Development

- ✓ SBCCD launched free noncredit programs in nursing, home health, math, ASL for customer service, and more to meet local job market needs.
- ✓ SBCCD is exploring industry-recognized certificates in business, accounting, and computer systems that lead to in-demand jobs.
- ✓ SBCCD hosted a roundtable with 20 legislative offices to promote workforce goals and position the district for new funding.

Outcome Achieved

SBCCD has secured \$366,000 to enhance the Rising Scholars program, which supports students affected by the justice system. This funding will expand staffing and services through 2028, strengthening collaborations with reentry programs and nonprofit organizations. The initiative promotes equity and community reintegration by providing educational opportunities that empower individuals seeking to rebuild their lives.