

Klamath Community College (KCC) HEP Project Abstract

Site: KCC's HEP project, regionally focused in southern Oregon and northern California, will be based from the KCC Campus (single site) in Klamath Falls, Ore.

Goals and expected outcomes of the project: The primary goals of KCC HEP are to **1.)** help students from migrant and seasonal farm worker (MSFW) backgrounds to enroll (50 per program year) and attain their GED certificate (target 80% attainment), and **2.)** support completers wishing to continue in postsecondary education and/or workforce training programs, upgraded employment, or military service. Target: 90% attainment/transfer/placement.

Proposed activities: KCC HEP will recruit prospective students through engaged outreach and recruitment efforts via visits to project partner sites, presence at community events, and networking across past and present stakeholders (e.g., campus peers and service organizations). Enrolled students will take part in quality instructional activities and interventional strategies, will be provided needs-based services, and supplemental access and referral to academic and career advising, as well as referral to physical and mental health resources as appropriate. Programming will be regularly reviewed and evaluated for improvement opportunities.

Addressing competitive preference priority: KCC has an existing fiscal year 2019-24 HEP grant award. Highlights of the recently submitted APR reporting for this program include:

- GPRA 1 achieved: 86.67% completion – (minimum required – 69% earn GED)
- GPRA 2 achieved: 92.31% placement (minimum required – 80% placed)
- 12 of 13 attainers entered postsecondary education/training (10), or upgraded employment (2)

Addressing invitational priority: KCC HEP staff, with the assistance of KCC campus and regional partnering organizations, will support all MSFW students experiencing challenging learning and cultural environments successfully adapt to their HEP educational experience.