



Grants Development Office



MOVING TRITON COLLEGE FORWARD

Funding Opportunities Newsletter / August 2021

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRANT AWARDS (May–July)

- ❖ The College continued to receive **COVID-19 pandemic relief funding** in May and June from both state and federal agencies.
 - ✓ The **Childcare Restoration Grants Program**, part of the Illinois Business Interruption Grants (BIG) program administered by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, allocated **\$67,637** to Triton's Child Development Center for pandemic-related expenses incurred during April, May, and June.
 - ✓ The College received an additional **\$88,654** from the **Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund**, which is administered by the Illinois Community College Board. The funding is intended to help higher education institutions enroll and retain students of color, first-generation students, and high-need students who might otherwise not enroll or return to school due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - ✓ The U.S. Department of Education allocated the College **\$18,374,722** through its **Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III)** made available under the American Rescue Plan. Of the total, \$9,251,640 must be allocated to student emergency aid and \$9,123,082 may be used to cover institutional expenses incurred as a result of the pandemic.
 - ✓ The **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)** awarded Triton **\$22,314.82** in pandemic emergency relief funds. The award was used to pay for personal protective equipment, disinfection and cleaning protocol training for staff, and certain COVID-19-related cleaning supplies.
- ❖ The **Illinois Community College Board** awarded the College **\$713,565** in **Perkins V** grant funds. Perkins funding supports career and technical education (CTE) programs and activities designed to increase student retention and placement rates; credential, certificate, and degree completion rates; and the number of nontraditional students who participate in and complete CTE programs of study. Areas of the college that received grant funding include business and technology, arts and sciences, health careers and public services, and student affairs.
- ❖ The Department of **Adult Education** received **\$125,000** from the **Westlake Health Foundation** for the Health Careers Scholarship program. This is the second installment of a five-year grant award, which totals \$625,000.
- ❖ The **Illinois Secretary of State** awarded **Adult Education \$50,000** to support their Access to Literacy program. The program offers free tutoring services to adults whose reading, writing, and numeracy skills are below the fourth-grade level.

- ❖ The **Illinois Board of Higher Education** awarded **\$24,000** to the **Department of Career Services** to support their Internship Advantage Program, which provides students with apprenticeships and other work-based learning opportunities at local businesses.
- ❖ **Leyden Township** awarded **\$3,000** to the **Retired Seniors and Volunteer Program (RSVP)**, which recruits individuals aged 55 years and older to serve as volunteers in a variety of projects and settings in West Suburban Cook and Southern DuPage Counties.
- ❖ Triton has partnered with the Calumet Area Industrial Commission (CAIC) and the Chicago Federation of Labor Workforce & Community Initiative (CFL Initiative) on their **H-1B One Workforce Grant Program**, which is funded by the **U.S. Department of Labor**. As a subrecipient, Triton will receive up to **\$592,167** over four years to recruit students into grant-approved degree and certificate programs that lead to industry-recognized credentials in advanced manufacturing.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

STATE

Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO)

Apprenticeship Expansion Program

Deadline: September 15, 2021

Award: \$150,000–\$350,000

The purpose of this grant program is to increase apprenticeship opportunities for historically underrepresented populations, including individuals with disabilities, youth from underserved communities, older workers, citizens returning from incarceration, and workers in jobs that have been severely impacted by COVID-19. Organizations may apply under one of two program options: Apprenticeship Navigators and Apprenticeship Intermediaries. Navigators work directly with businesses to cultivate and launch new apprenticeships while Intermediaries sponsor and/or coordinate apprenticeship programs, work with employers to hire and mentor apprentices, facilitate program development and related technical instruction, and manage other components of an apprenticeship program. Expected outcomes include the number of new apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs created and the number of existing apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs expanded.

<https://www.illinoisworknet.com/apprenticeshipnofo2021>

FOUNDATION

MUFG Union Bank, N.A.

Deadline: Ongoing

Award: Unspecified

The MUFG Union Bank Foundation's mission is to expand access to economic opportunity in low- and moderate-income communities in the areas of affordable housing, community economic development, education, human services, and the environment. Within the area of economic development, the Foundation supports job training and career development, financial education, scholarships, and K-12 STEM programs. Within the environmental stewardship area, the Foundation supports food security, resource conservation, and clean water/energy programs.

<https://www.unionbank.com/about-us/social-responsibility>

General Motors (GM) Corporate Foundation

Deadline: September 30, 2021

Award: Unspecified

The GM Corporate Foundation considers proposals for projects in the areas of STEM education and community development. The Foundation is especially interested in supporting STEM projects that serve underrepresented youth and that incorporate immersive learning, computational thinking, artificial intelligence, digital tools and resources. Community development projects should provide individuals with the skills necessary to gain employment and advance economically. Proposals might include basic literacy, financial, and technical education; access to basic resources such as food, transportation, housing; or innovative and collaborative community improvements.

<https://www.gm.com/our-company/social-investment.html>

Ford Motor Company Fund

Deadline: Ongoing

Award: Unspecified

The Ford Motor Company Fund supports the company's vision of becoming the world's most trusted company by investing in programs that support education, promote safe driving, enrich community life, and encourage employee volunteering. The education programs the Fund supports range from a College Community Challenge to a First Gen project that is designed to increase graduation rates among first generation students. The Fund supports community programs that create entrepreneurial opportunities for women and girls, promote socio-economic mobility in Hispanic communities, and help veterans re-enter civilian life.

<https://www.fordfund.org/about>

Many of these opportunities are time-sensitive and require a quick response time. Please email christinaskasa@triton.edu, raquelcotuno@triton.edu, or normavillasenor@triton.edu (or contact us at ext. 3631) if you are interested in any of these funding opportunities.