



Moving Triton College Forward



Grants Development Office

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2016
(July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016)

Executive Summary

The Triton College Grants Development Office provides assistance to faculty, staff and administrators in securing funding for special projects, research and general operating expenses related to the overall mission and vision of Triton College. The office works collaboratively with all departments to identify and pursue external funding opportunities that will help to develop, enhance and enrich the educational programs and services available to Triton students and the community at-large.

The Grants Development Office (GDO) was restructured and expanded in FY 2015 with strong support from the Triton Board of Trustees in an effort to increase the institution's grants portfolio and to create a centralized repository for all grants. The GDO is charged with helping to diversify Triton's funding streams to include more federal, private and corporate grant support for college priorities and initiatives. This charge was in direct response to the decreased funding support from the State of Illinois, which continues to be a trend for public institutions of higher learning.

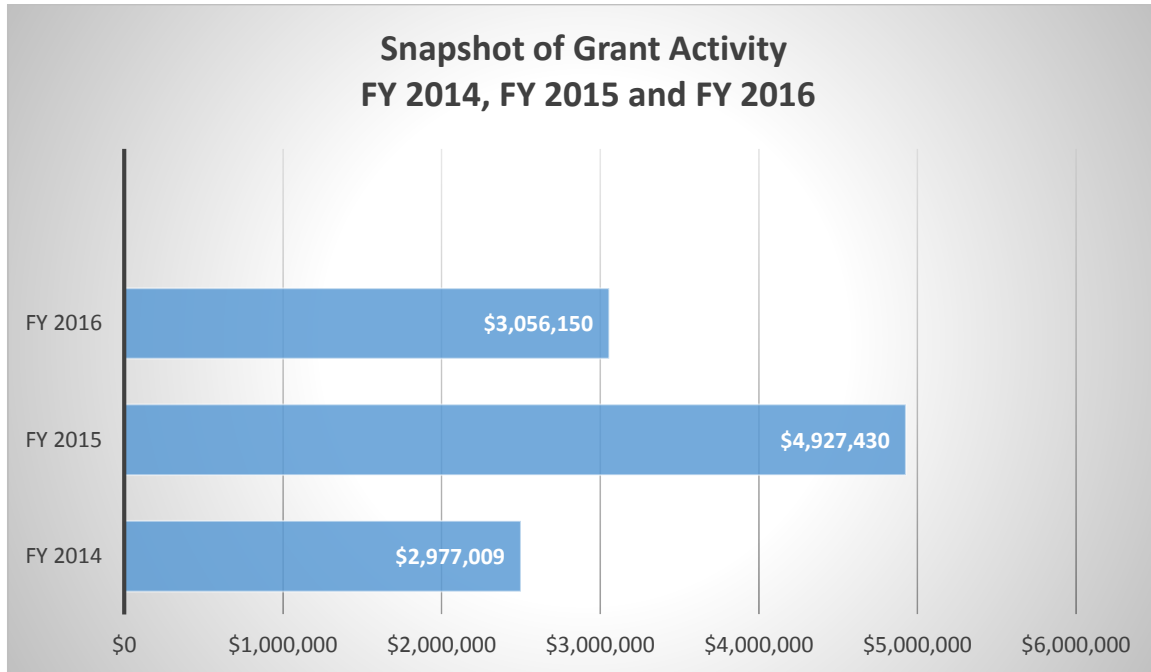
The Grants Development Office strives to:

- ✓ Foster an environment of transparency, cohesiveness and continuity to ensure cross departmental collaboration and communication;
- ✓ Engage Triton College in funding opportunities with local, state, federal, corporate and private sectors;
- ✓ Facilitate the proposal development process by working collaboratively with faculty, staff and administrators to produce highly competitive and successful proposals;
- ✓ Provide workshops and trainings on grants and the grant making process campus-wide;
- ✓ Ensure accuracy in grant reporting, grants compliance and the development of program materials for submission to funding agencies.

Grant Awards FY 2016 (July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016)

The annual grant report is a comprehensive report of awards received by Triton in FY 2016 (July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016).

- \$3,056,150 total grant funds received
- 40 grant applications submitted
- 31 grants awarded
- 32 private foundation Letters of Inquiry (LOI's) submitted

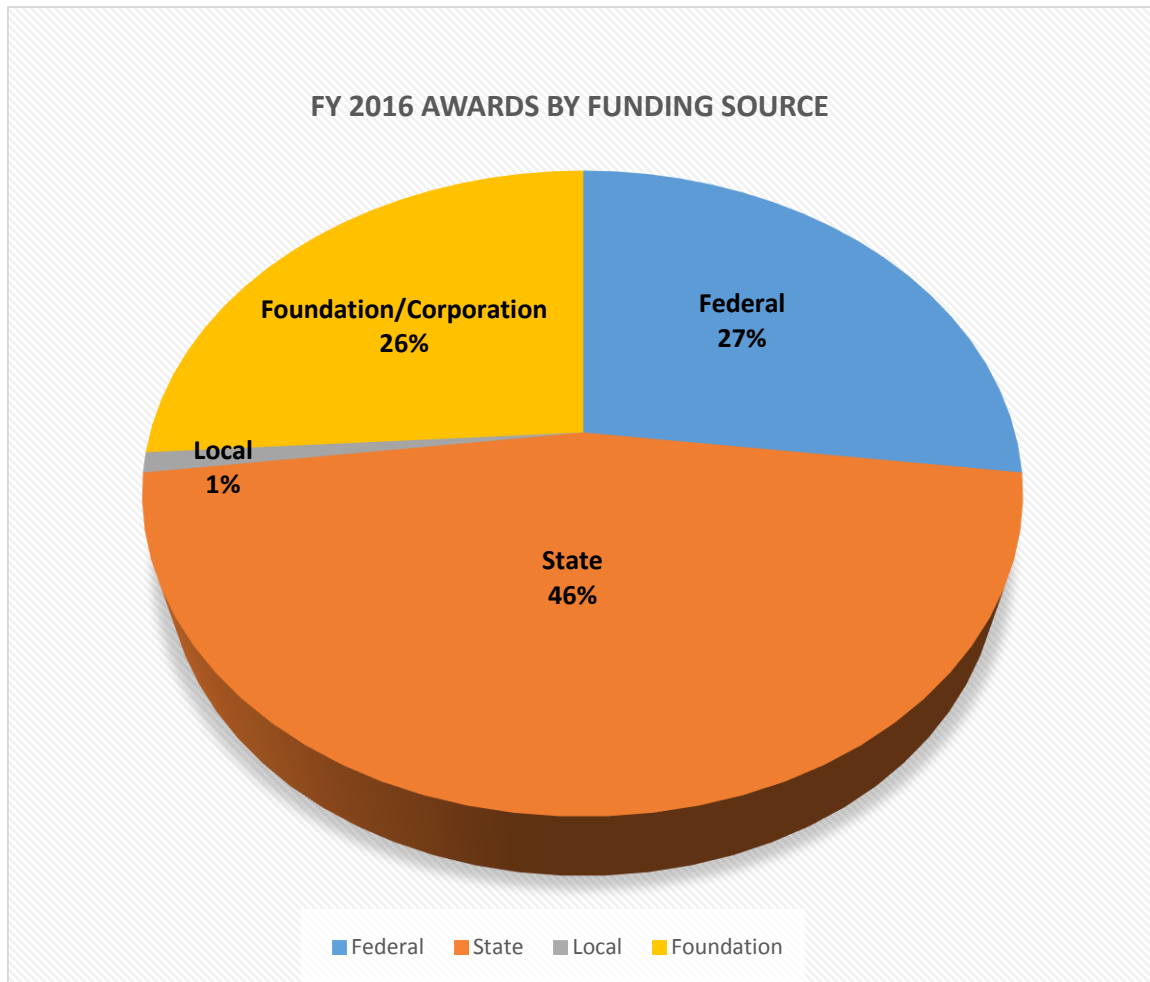


Grants Development Office Highlights - FY 2016 (July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016)

- ✓ Initiated partnership and collaborated with Northeastern Illinois University on the U.S. Department of Education's Title III Part F, Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI)-STEM grant. The five-year project aims to increase the number of Hispanic and other low-income students in the attainment of degrees in the STEM fields and to develop model transfer and articulation agreements between the institutions;
- ✓ Facilitated two Grants 101 workshops which provided faculty and staff a high level overview of the grant development process from pre-award services (grant planning, writing, editing and proposal submission) to post-award services (grant implementation, project reporting, compliance and expenditure tracking activities);
- ✓ Facilitated a "Grants Ideas Summit" which focused on understanding the anatomy of a grant idea and connecting the idea to Triton's institutional Mission and Strategic Goals;
- ✓ Facilitated, coordinated and assisted with the U.S. Department of Education's TRIO-Talent Search grant application. The GDO was instrumental in collaborating with community partners to garner support for the application;
- ✓ Commended by the Illinois Community College Board for Triton's FY 2016 Carl D. Perkins Annual Plan for establishing clear goals, benchmarks and outcomes in comparison to prior fiscal years ;
- ✓ Secured 12 private foundation grants. The GDO hosted two site visits: Chicago Foundation for Women and the Paul M. Angell Foundation.

FY 2016 Grants Received by Funding Source

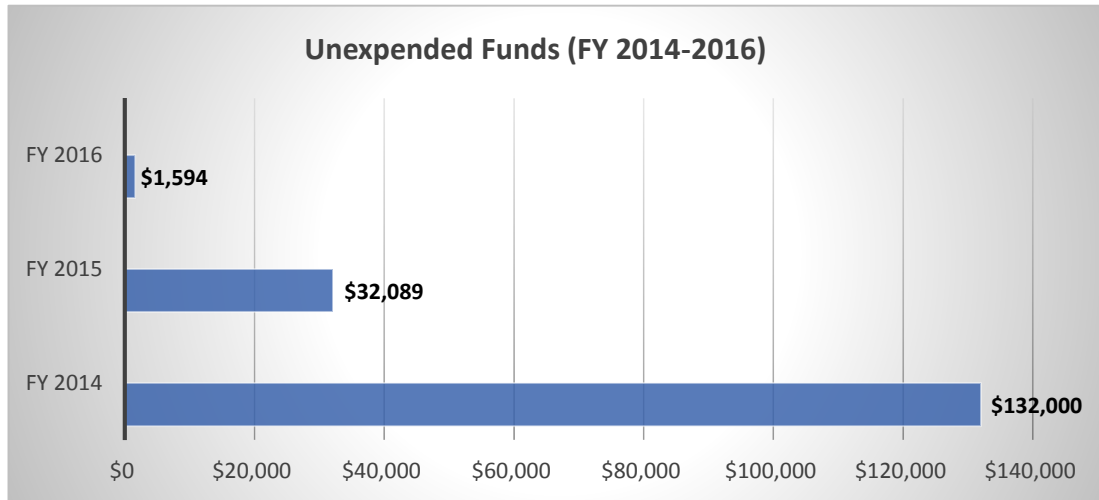
Funding Source	Amount
Federal	\$838,462
State	\$1,404,764
Local	\$30,223
Foundation/Corporation	\$782,701
Total	\$3,056,150



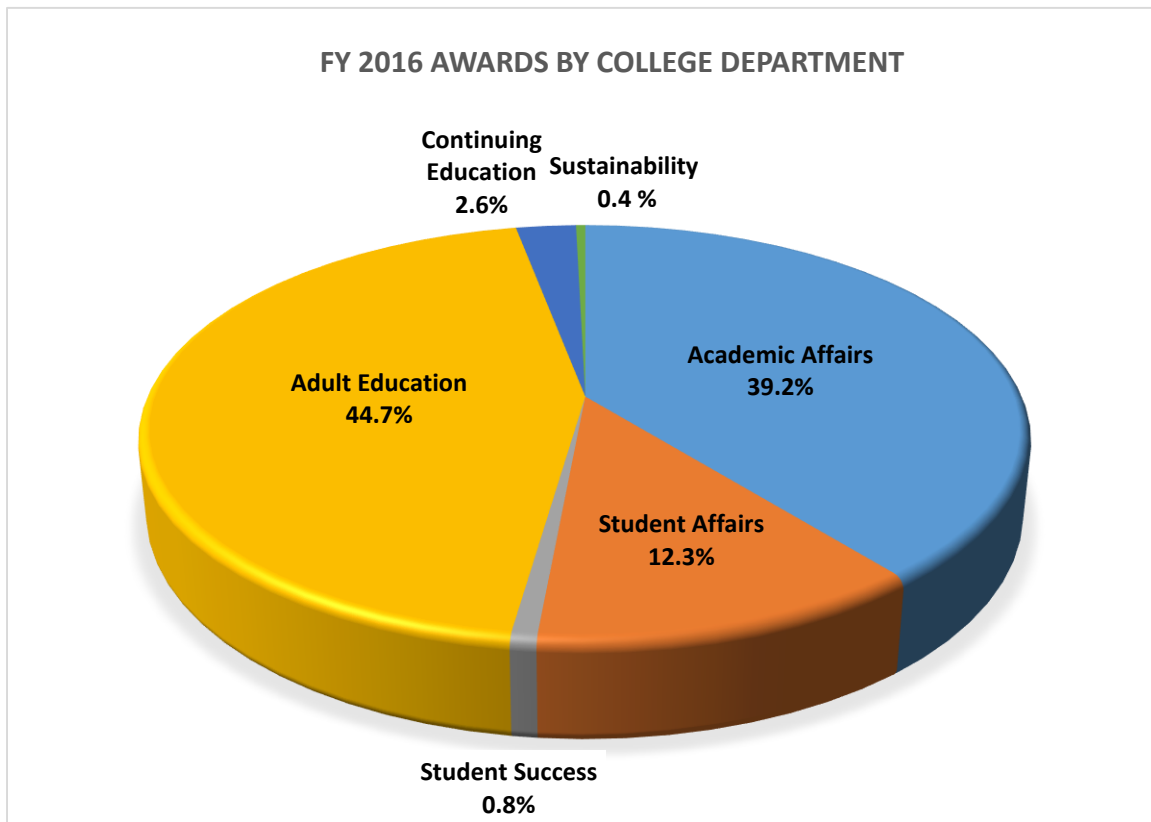
The State of Illinois Budget impasse impacted the state funding levels for existing and new grants in FY 2016 leading to the pursuit of alternative funding sources. In FY 2016, Triton had **31 grant funded staff positions** (approximately \$1,014,973) with more than 70% of salaries supported by State of Illinois grants.

Unexpended Funds

Through intensive grants management and monitoring activities, the Grants Development Office has made a significant impact in decreasing the amount of unexpended/returned funds resulting in a 98% change in comparison to FY 2014.



Grants Awarded (By College Department)



FY16 Grants Awarded to Triton College	\$3,056,150
Achieving the Dream/ One Main Financial	\$25,000
American Chemical Society	\$750
Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership	\$27,223
Chicago Foundation for Women	\$10,000
Corporation for National and Community Service	\$52,416
Illinois Community College Board - Adult Education and Family Literacy	\$1,266,860
Illinois Community College Board - Carl D. Perkins	\$397,803
Illinois Community College Board - Early Childhood Education	\$3,000
Illinois Community College Board - Integrated Career & Academic Preparation System	\$20,000
Illinois Department of Aging	\$23,589
Illinois Department of Human Services - Supplemental Nutrition Program	\$116,675
Illinois Green Economy Network	\$4,750
Illinois Green Economy Network - Illinois Science & Energy Innovation Foundation	\$7,500
Illinois State Board of Education - Des Plaines Valley Region	\$11,212
Legacy Foundation - The Truth Initiative	\$5,000
Leyden Township	\$3,000
National Fluid Power Association	\$25,000
Nicor Gas	\$5,000
Nuts, Bolts and Thingamajigs - The Foundation of the Fabricators & Manufacturers Association	\$1,000
Office of Community College Research and Leadership - Illinois Community College Board	\$6,000
Paul M. Angell Foundation	\$20,000
United States Department of Agriculture - North Central Region - Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education	\$2,000
United States Department of Education - TRIO StudentSupport Services	\$226,262
United States Department of Labor - American Apprenticeship	\$15,000
United States Department of Labor - Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training 1	\$71,943
United States Department of Labor - Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training 2	\$18,216
Westinghouse Charitable Giving Program	\$2,500
Westlake Health Foundation - Adult Education	\$100,000
Westlake Health Foundation - Health Careers	\$588,451

*FY16 (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016)

FY 2016 Annual Report Grants Summary (By Department)

Academic Success

Program: TRIO- Student Support Services
Funding Agency: Department of Education
FY 2016 Amount: \$226,262 (Multi-year grant)
Grant Project Director: Dr. Debbie Baness King

The TRIO- Student Support Services program provides academic and other support services to 160 low-income, first-generation and/or disabled college students to increase student retention and graduation rates, and facilitate their transfer from two-year to four-year colleges (5 year grant project).

Adult Education

Program: Health Careers - Adult Education Students
Funding Agency: Westlake Health Foundation
FY 2016 Amount: \$100,000
Grant Project Director: Antoinette Stella

The Adult Education program provides scholarships to students eager to develop skills and earn a certificate or degree in an Allied Health field. The program assists students as they make the transition from the Adult Education program into a health career program of study. As students prepare for completion, the program also provides job placement assistance in high-demand fields.

Program: Adult Education and Family Literacy
Funding Agency: Illinois Community College Board
FY 2016 Amount: \$1,266,860
Grant Project Director: Dr. Virginia Cabasa-Hess

The purpose of this program is to assist adults with improving their literacy and knowledge skills in order to obtain employment and achieve self-sufficiency. The program provides adult parents with educational skills assistance, including the attainment of a secondary school diploma and support for the transition to postsecondary education. It also assists immigrants and other English language learners with improving reading, writing, speaking and comprehension skills.

Facilities- Sustainability

Program: Smart Grid Consumer Education
Funding Agency: Illinois Green Economy Network (IGEN) - Illinois Science and Energy Innovation Foundation
FY 2016 Amount: \$12,250
Grant Project Director: Adrian Fisher

The IGEN Smart Grid Consumer Education Program is designed to deliver smart grid and smart meter education to consumers through the Illinois community college system, with a focus on hard- to-reach populations, including low-income and senior populations. The program is funded by the Illinois Science and Energy Innovation Foundation (ISEIF), with a mission to empower consumers to understand and adopt smart grid technologies and related programs, to create positive changes in consumer behavior related to patterns of energy use, and to transform cultural norms regarding the relationship between the consumer, the utility and energy consumption.

School of Arts and Sciences

Program: Chemistry Club - TritonC4
Funding Agency: American Chemical Society
FY 2016 Amount: \$750
Grant Project Director: Dr. Rudy Gostowski

The Triton College Chemistry Club (TritonC4), focuses on chemistry and science outreach by conducting demonstrations and hands-on activities at the college and local K-12 school districts.

Program: Early Childhood Education Alignment Project
Funding Agency: Illinois Community College Board
FY 2016 Amount: \$3,000
Grant Project Directors: Mary Rinchiuso, Mary Ann Olson

To align early childhood programs with the Gateways ECE Credential Levels and to expand the offering of stackable certificates and degrees. The primary goal of the project was to create a transparent, seamless educational pathway for candidates and working professionals to complete aligned certificates, degrees and credentials.

Program: Pathways to Results - Partnership and Planning for Student Success
Funding Agency: Office of Community College Research and Leadership
FY 2016 Amount: \$6,000 - (Technical Assistance)
Grant Project Director: Dr. Renee Wright

Pathways to Results (PTR) is aimed at improving student transitions to and through postsecondary education and into employment. It empowers organizations to use methods, templates and tools to continuously improve pathways and programs of study by addressing inequities in student outcomes. Enhanced outcomes for students, programs, organizations, and systems is the ultimate goal of PTR.

School of Business and Technology

Program: Girls Adventuring in Design, Engineering and Technology (GADgET)
Funding Agencies: Chicago Foundation for Women- \$10,000
 Nicor Gas - \$5,000
 Nuts, Bolts and Thingamajigs - \$1,000
 Westinghouse Charitable Giving Program - \$2,500
 Paul M. Angell Foundation - \$20,000
FY 2016 Amount: \$38,500
Grant Project Directors: Dr. Henry Bohleke, Antigone Sharris, Andrea Blaylock

Triton's GADgET program (Girls Adventuring in Design, Engineering and Technology) empowers and introduces girls to STEM related fields. Triton's innovative and unique STEM program, is open to girls only, ages 12-16. GADgET is designed to strengthen each participant's sense of self-efficacy through the ownership of an idea, from concept to build, and in employing practices, methods, and tools used in a variety of STEM careers. Peer and college-age female mentors, as well as female Engineering Technology faculty, provide training and support to program participants. STEM career awareness is further achieved through site visits to women-owned manufacturing companies and on-campus presentations by women leaders in the STEM industry.

Program: Carl D. Perkins - Career and Technical Education
Funding Agency: Illinois Community College Board
FY 2016 Amount: \$397,803
Grant Project Directors: Dr. Henry Bohleke, Dr. Peter Jaswilko, Kevin Li, Dr. Debbie Baness King, Dr. Amanda Turner, Corey Williams

The Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 (Perkins IV) focuses state and local efforts on continuously improving programs to facilitate the academic achievement of CTE students by strengthening the connections between secondary and postsecondary education and restructuring the way stakeholders, high schools, community colleges, universities, business and parents work together. The program also increases state and local accountability standards.

Program: DVR-CTEI - Des Plaines Valley Region - Career and Technical Education Improvement
Funding Agency: Illinois State Board of Education
FY 2016 Amount: \$11,212
Grant Project Director: Dr. Henry Bohleke

Triton College hosted a Dual Credit Summit to provide an opportunity for dual credit stakeholders, including high school faculty, college faculty and administrators, to participate in presentations and discussions related to dual credit requirements, assessing barriers to dual credit, and identifying opportunities to increase enrollment in dual credit courses including those within programs of study.

Program: ICAPS- Integrated Career & Academic Preparation System
Funding Agency: Illinois Community College Board
FY 2016 Amount: \$20,000
Grant Project Directors: Dr. Henry Bohleke, Dr. Virginia Cabasa-Hess, Dr. Luisa Hernandez, Antigone Sharris

The Integrated Career & Academic Preparation System (ICAPS), is the implementation of the Accelerating Opportunity (AO) initiative in Illinois. ICAPS aims to provide an integrated pathway in Career and Technical Education (CTE) for college credit and program certificate opportunities for Adult Education and Family Literacy (AEFL) students that lack basic skills. Triton College faculty from both Adult Education and Engineering partnered together to provide opportunities for Adult Education students preparing to enter an Engineering program of study.

Program: Trade Adjustment Act Community College Training Program (TAACCT) - Illinois Green Economy Network (IGEN)
Funding Agency: United States Department of Labor
FY 2016 Amount: \$71,943 (Final year of multi-year project)
Grant Project Directors: Ben Newton, Dr. Henry Bohleke

The TAACCT 1 – grant supports a consortium of colleges in Illinois that provide courses and programs within important sectors of the Illinois Green Economy. College of Lake County Consortium (5-year grant project).

Program: Trade Adjustment Act Community College Training Program (TAACCT) - Illinois Network for Advanced Manufacturing (INAM)
Funding Agency: United States Department of Labor
FY 2016 Amount: \$18,216 (Final year of multi-year project)
Grant Project Director: Antigone Sharris

The TAACCT 2- grant supports the Advanced Manufacturing Consortium – Illinois Network of Advanced Manufacturing (INAM). Courses and programs were developed and implemented at consortia institutions. Harper College Consortium (4-year grant project).

Program: Fluid Power Lab
Funding Agency: National Fluid Power Association (NFPA)
FY 2016 Amount: \$25,000
Grant Project Director: Antigone Sharris

Triton College's Engineering Technology program has a proven track record and history of success in preparing students in Fluid Power via a series of theoretical and practical experiences they will encounter in the field. The support from NFPA will allow Triton to build a Fluid Power Lab that will expand the knowledge base of hundreds of students served each school year.

Program: Youth Educator Program - Sustainable Agriculture Technology Summer Camp
Funding Agency: United State Department of Agriculture
 North Central Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (NCR-SARE)
FY 2016 Amount: \$2,000
Grant Project Director: Dr. Henry Bohleke

Triton's Sustainable Agriculture Technology Summer Camp is a collaborative project designed to engage youth in growing their own food through sustainable methods, and increase awareness of Chicago's emerging urban agriculture economy.

Program: The Illinois Consortium for Advanced Technical Training (ICATT)
Funding Agency: United States Department of Labor- American Apprenticeship Initiative
FY 2016 Amount: \$15,000
Grant Project Director: Antigone Sharris

The ICATT program is an innovative and industry-led approach to education. Benchmarked by the German Dual Education system, this is an educational model developed in conjunction with technology leaders, and will combine practice, theory and work to train a globally competitive workforce (5-year grant project).

School of Continuing Education

Program: Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
Funding Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service - \$52,416
 Illinois Department on Aging - \$23,589
 Leyden Township - \$3000
FY 2016 Amount: \$79,005
Grant Project Director: Kay Frey

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of West Suburban Cook and Southern DuPage Counties is a program that recruits individuals who are 55 and older who want to volunteer in the community. RSVP has been sponsored by Triton College for 32 years. RSVP is a national program that also works with public agencies, secular or faith-based, private nonprofit organizations and proprietary health care organizations in the community.

School of Health Careers and Public Service Programs

Program: Health Careers - Proviso Township High Schools
Funding Agency: Westlake Health Foundation
FY 2016 Amount: \$588,451 (Multi-year grant)
Grant Project Director: Rosa Preston

The Westlake Health Careers program provides scholarships to multiple cohorts of students pursuing Health Career degrees. The grant supports 20 junior high school students each year for four years providing workshops on healthcare issues, academic and remedial support for students with low placement skills and developmental courses for those with low placement scores.

Student Services

Program: Dislocated Worker Program
Funding Agency: Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership
FY 2016 Amount: \$27,223
Grant Project Director: Ralph Richard Williams

Triton College provides training to dislocated workers and assists with their placement into living wage jobs upon completion of their training period. Triton College currently serves dislocated workers who experienced job loss due to a plant closing or lay off, currently collecting unemployment benefits or have exhausted their unemployment benefits. Both credit and non-credit certificate programs are represented in the menu of training programs offered to dislocated workers which include health care, technology, and hospitality among other fields.

Program: Supplemental Nutrition Program Employment & Training (SNAP) - Educational & Training Program (E&T)
Funding Agency: Illinois Department of Human Services
FY 2016 Amount: \$116,675
Grant Project Director: Ralph Richard Williams

Triton College's SNAP E&T program is a self-support program to help individuals acquire work skills and find employment. The program also helps individuals with work-related expenses for the first 30 days on the job. Participants receive vocational training, access to work-based learning experiences, job search and job readiness training as well as job coaching.

Program: Smoke-Free Campus
Funding Agency: Legacy Foundation - The Truth Initiative
FY 2016 Amount: \$5,000
Grant Project Director: Jacqueline Marx

Triton College became a smoke-free campus in 2015 due to the recently enacted State of Illinois law. Through the support of the Truth Initiative, Triton College has successfully leveraged the State of Illinois requirement. The institution's Smoke Free Task Force, which was strengthened through the initiative, played an instrumental role in building capacity to fully implement a multi-generational effort to educate Triton stakeholders and to eliminate cigarette and tobacco use on campus. The task force included high engagement from student affairs, Triton College Student Association (TCSA), faculty members, human resources, public affairs, campus police and the health services department.

Student Success

Program: Student Financial Empowerment Project
Funding Agency: Achieving the Dream/One Main Financial
FY 2016 Amount: \$25,000
Grant Project Director: Shelley Tiwari

The Financial Empowerment Project aims to expand the reach of its financial literacy efforts under the umbrella of Triton's First Year Experience which is designed to deliver critical services and interventions to new students in their first year of enrollment at Triton. The First Year Experience will combine discreet services such as New Student Orientation, Academic Planning, Financial Planning and COL-102 into a cohesive student experience. The college plans to launch a revised New Student Orientation with the new financial literacy component as part of the First Year Experience, followed by an expansion of financial literacy embedded within the COL-102 course.

Acknowledgement of FY 2016 Grant Team Members (Triton's Grants Warriors)

*"If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself."
-Henry Ford*

The success of the newly restructured Grants Development Office during the past two fiscal years can also be attributed to the joint efforts of those who work collaboratively with the GDO. We would like to acknowledge the administrators, faculty and staff members who served as grant project directors, worked on proposals and/or served on grant teams in FY 2016.

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