

BASIC AID FUNDS ALLOCATION PROCESS

Basic aid refers to local property tax receipts that exceed general purpose revenue entitlement derived from the State of California SB 361 (or successor funding bill) calculation. The process for identification and prioritization of basic aid allocations will follow this policy and is recognized to be an annual and dynamic process. Allocation of basic aid will be made based on district and college planning documents and supporting data. The Board will determine both the timing of allocation approval and how much of the annual collections will be allocated each year. A reasonable amount of basic aid funds will not be allocated until the end of the fiscal year when total annual receipts are certain, to ensure the availability of resources for potential unexpected needs of a significant nature.

In accordance with the vision, mission, strategic directions and planning documents of the District and colleges, the Board of Trustees will allocate basic aid funds for the following purposes:

1. Capital construction, major renovation, large infrastructure projects, and site development. These projects will follow district and college strategic plans, Education and Facilities Master Plan, 20-year Facility, Renovation and Scheduled Maintenance Plan and Five Year Construction Plan.
2. Retirees benefit trust fund and other long term obligations.
3. Trustee elections, legislative advocacy, major legal fees and judgments.
4. Major technology initiatives as identified in the District and College Technology Plans.
5. Fifty percent matching funds for scheduled maintenance and smaller renovation projects, including maintenance equipment, as identified in the 20-year Facility, Renovation and Scheduled Maintenance Plan. The other fifty percent will be funded by the site requesting the funds, whether district office or college, in receipt of the allocation. Allocations must be used within five years on the specific project for which funding was allocated. The allocation will be based on the distribution ratios used in the model established in the District Resource Allocation Council process.

The Chancellor shall establish Administrative Regulations regulating the use of basic aid funds.