

Grants and Resource Development Department Annual Report Fiscal Year 2013

Historical Snapshot of Grant Activity

Mission Statement

The Grants and Resource Development Department furthers the strategic initiatives of GRCC by providing institutional leadership and support for departments and teams engaging in grant development efforts.

Executive Summary

The Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC) Grants and Resource Development Department provides leadership, support, coordination and development of all grant activities in association with faculty, staff and students in order to advance the Mission, Vision, and Strategic Ends of the college.

The Grants and Resource Development Department is staffed by Judith Larsen, Director, Lisa Dopke, Associate Director, and Delicia Wilondja, Educational Support Personnel. The department reports to the Provost/ Executive Vice President for Academic & Student Affairs, Gilda Gely, Ph.D.

This Annual Report reflects the accomplishments of the GRCC Grants Department during FY 2013, which covers the period from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

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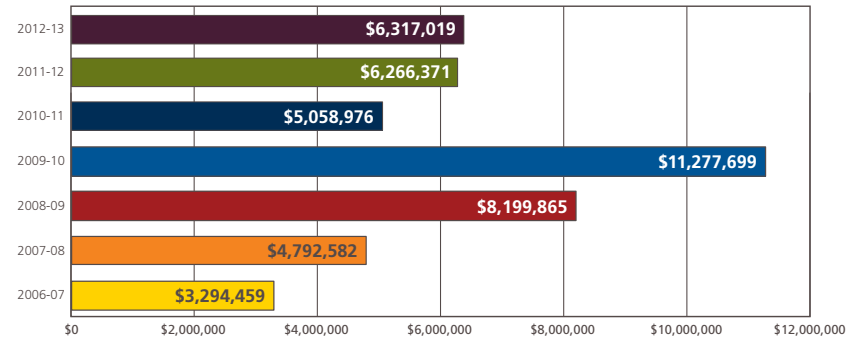
Grant Awards: 2012-2013

In FY 2013, \$6,317,019 in grant revenues were awarded to GRCC. A breakdown of grants awarded as of 06/30/13 shows support for both new and existing programs:

- \$3,258,022 in grant funding was received for 15 new grants.
- \$3,058,997 was received for the continuation or modification of 10 existing grants.

Total Grant Awards 2006-2013

A total of \$45,206,971 in grant funding has been received by GRCC in the last seven years from federal, state, and local government entities, as well as from public and private foundations and corporate and professional organizations.



National Benchmarks

Despite state and federal grant funding cuts in the last several years, the GRCC Grants Department continues to exceed national benchmarks for funding success rates. The 2010-2011 National Grants Survey conducted by the Clements Group of 133 community technical colleges in 34 states and 11 state-wide community college systems provides comparative benchmark data as does the 2009 American Association of Grant Professionals Survey of 583 grant professionals in the U.S.

Grants Office Benchmarks	National Rates	GRCC FY 2013
Number of grant proposals written to federal, state, local, non-government or private agencies	Average of 1-9 per year	17
Amount of funding received each year in competitive grant funds	Majority raised between \$2 million - \$4.9 million	\$6,317,019
Percentage of grants submitted that were funded	50% - 60%	75%

Notable Grant Awards in FY 2013

Academic Outreach: Lakeshore Campus and Regional Centers

- A total of \$1,625,959 was awarded by the Ottawa County Michigan Works! Agency for the Workforce Investment Act and Trade Assistance Act (TAA) OneStop Services programs.

Student Success and Retention

- \$387,564 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Education, Student Support Services program was provided for support services to first generation, low income students.
- \$133,500 was awarded from the State of Michigan Workforce Development Agency, Office of Adult Education: WIA Core Programs for GED, English as a Second Language and Adult Basic Education at the GRCC Learning Corners.

Arts and Sciences

- A grant in the amount of \$166,214 was provided by the National Science Foundation, Transforming Undergraduate Education in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics program for the acquisition of a new gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) instrument, and to provide learning opportunities for GRCC faculty and high school teachers and their students.
- \$217,600 in grant funds were awarded by the Michigan Department of Education, Great Start School Readiness program for early childhood programs of educational excellence. This program is conducted in partnership with the Kent Intermediate School District and Grand Rapids Public Schools.

Instructional Support and Interdisciplinary Studies

- A *Muslim Journeys Bookshelf* was awarded to GRCC's Library and Learning Commons by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The bookshelf included a set of 25 hardcover books, a collection of short videos on Islamic arts (on DVD), two films with public performance rights, a one-year subscription to Oxford Islamic Studies Online, and supplementary materials for program promotion that included bookplates, bookmarks, and posters.

Student Affairs

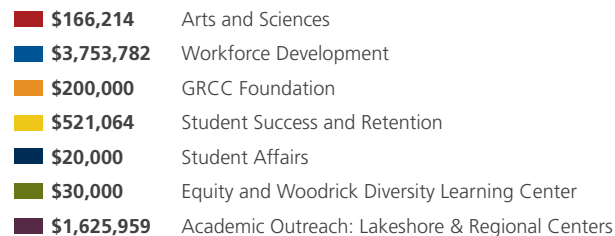
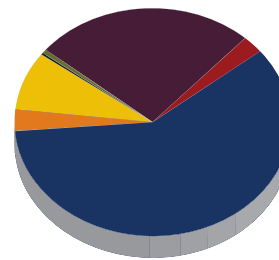
- AT&T awarded \$20,000 to GRCC's Upward Bound (UB) program to support UB Success Clubs, designed to provide structured leadership development activities and career exploration for at-risk high school students. An AmeriCorps*VISTA member, appointed by the Michigan Nonprofit Association, will assist UB staff in coordinating the Success Clubs.

Workforce Development

- The Area Community Services Employment and Training Council provided grants for the following programs: \$233,877 for JET Training Clearinghouse and \$2,684,883 for Employment Service Labor Exchange Services in Kent and Allegan Counties.
- \$75,000 was awarded by the Michigan Center for Student Success, Pathways to Credentials program for further development of career pathway programs.
- A grant in the amount of \$700,000 was provided by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation to expand the *Pathways to Prosperity* program which provides resources to promote postsecondary achievement leading to gainful employment.

Grant Awards to College Departments

Grant awards to college departments supported a range of academic and student support programs, as well as local and regional workforce development. Programming was supported in the following college departments: Arts and Sciences (2.6%), Student Success and Retention (8.2%), Student Affairs (.3%), Workforce Development (59.4%), Academic Outreach: Lakeshore Campus and Regional Centers (25.7%), GRCC Foundation (3.2%), and Equity and Woodrick Diversity Learning Center (.5%).



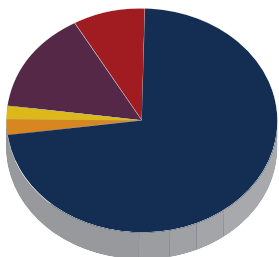
Source: Department Manager/IT Works Grant Database for the period of 7/1/2012 thru 6/30/2013.

As a community college, GRCC is uniquely committed to enriching its community through grant-supported educational and civic programming that enhances the quality of life for West Michigan residents. In FY 2013, the National Endowment for the Humanities selected GRCC's Library & Learning Commons to receive a *Muslim Journeys Bookshelf* as part of their Bridging Cultures initiative. This award provided books, films, and other resources to inform the public about Muslim culture through the delivery of cross-college collaborative offerings that seek to engage student and community audiences in reflection and conversation.

GRCC seeks grants for programs that provide all learners with access to a variety of educational opportunities to prepare them for success in the local and regional workforce. As the result of a generous grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, for example, GRCC will expand its successful *Pathways to Prosperity* program that seeks to improve the economic mobility of vulnerable families by promoting postsecondary achievement leading to gainful employment.

Total Grants Received by Funding Source

Grant funds were allocated from a variety of funding sources: Federal (8.8%), State (2.1%), County (72.6%), Corporate and Professional Entities (1.8%), and Public or Private Foundations (14.7%).

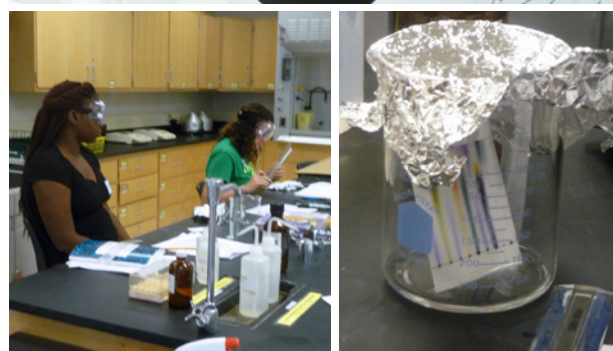


■	\$553,778	Federal
■	\$4,584,941	County
■	\$133,500	State
■	\$114,800	Corporate & Professional
■	\$930,000	Public/Private Foundation

Source: Department Manager/IT Works Grant Database for the period of 7/1/2012 thru 6/30/2013.

GRCC Department Highlights

Physical Sciences: Chemistry



In FY 2013, GRCC's Chemistry Department was awarded its first National Science Foundation grant through the Transforming Undergraduate Education in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics program. The project provided funds for the purchase of a gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) instrument to complete GRCC's state-of-the-art laboratory, and supported professional development for GRCC faculty and local high school science teachers. Two forensic chemistry summer camps were conducted for high school students to help them understand the GC-MS instrument and recognize the practical connections between science and technology. The camps provided students the opportunity to use analytical instrumentation in an inquiry-based forensic chemistry experience.

Shown: High school students participating in the forensic chemistry summer camps during July 2013.

Internal Grant Awards

In FY 2013, the GRCC Foundation allocated \$60,000 for professional development to support the participation of faculty and staff in a variety of learning opportunities. Professional development grants are administered by the Grants and Resource Development Department through the Instructional Improvement & Professional Development (IIPD) and Support Staff Professional Development (SSPD) programs. Grant recipients and their respective activities are listed below.

Instructional Improvement & Professional Development (IIPD) Grants

The purpose of the IIPD Grant program is to support faculty professional development to ensure continued growth, develop new avenues of instruction and curriculum, and to enhance the professional lives of faculty for increased student learning, achievement and success. During FY 2013, the following IIPD grants were awarded:

School Program/Department	Grantee	Activity	Amount
School of Arts and Sciences			
Language & Thought	Hillery Haney	Travel France and Switzerland to support the development of GRCC's Study Away program.	\$3,651
Mathematics	Shanna Goff	Advanced Kellogg Institute at Appalachia State University	\$1,710
Performing Arts/Music	Brian Morris	2013 Avatar® Wizard Course	\$1,905
Biological Sciences	Mike DeVivo	International Geographical Union 2013	\$5,000
Social Sciences	Robert Hendershot	National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Institute on India: "India's Past and the Making of the Present"	\$3,060
Psychology	Kate Byerwalter	Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)	\$1,462
School of Workforce Development			
Automotive	Chad Lodenstein	NC3 – National Coalition of Certification Centers, Train-the-Trainer 9, Snap-on Diagnostics	\$2,051
Job Training	Keith Ferguson	National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) International Builders' Show and Continuing Education Course	\$1,478
Student Success & Retention			
Counseling & Career Center	Terri Tillford-Tilman	Certification in Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI®)	\$2,966
	Emily Nisley	2012 Annual Conference of the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (NaBITA)	\$1,441
Occupational/Disability Support Services	Karen Murphy	25th Annual Postsecondary Disability Training Institute	\$2,200
	Sarah Rose	Accessing Higher Ground: Accessible Media, Web & Technology Conference	\$2,379
Health Sciences Resource and Tutorial Lab	Jolene Boelens	National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (N-OADN) Annual Convention 2012	\$2,369

Internal Grant Awards (continued)

Support Staff Professional Development (SSPD) Grants

The purpose of the SSPD Grant program is to encourage support staff to improve their professional skills as related to their GRCC assignments. During FY 2013, the following SSPD grants were awarded:

School Program/Department	Grantee	Activity	Amount
ATC Banquets	Tara Reitsma	Culinary Institute of America, Garde Manger: The Art and Craft of the Cold Kitchen Course	\$2,260
Disability Support Services	Nicole Marshall	2012 Postsecondary Disability Training Institute	\$1,150
	Rebecca Allington	Accessing Higher Ground: Accessible Media, Web & Technology Conference	\$2,252
Facilities	Marty DeVries	Backflow Preventer Recertification Course	\$650
Information Technology	Gary Tidd	Inspire 2013, the ImageNow User Conference	\$1,250
	Patrick LaPenna	DrupalCon Portland 2013	\$1,000
	William Frikken	BbWorld 2013 Conference	\$1,370
	Mary Jo Chisholm	2013 CollegeNET User Conference	\$1,795
	Ian Riley	Annual Conference of the International Association of Internet Asset Managers	\$3,000
	Edward Walker	10th Annual VMworld US Conference	\$1,295
Job Training	Chiquital Clay	37th Annual Conference of the National Association of Veteran's Program Administrators (NAVPA)	\$1,780
Laboratory Preschool	Claudia Jones	National Coalition for Campus Children's Centers Annual Early Childhood Conference	\$680
	Kristen Spoelman	National Coalition for Campus Children's Centers Annual Early Childhood Conference	\$680
Library & Learning Commons	Janelle Yahne	Association of College and Research Libraries Conference	\$500
	Kathy Schoen	2013 ILLiad International Conference	\$1,370
Media Technologies	Noah DeSmit	Future Media Concepts Course	\$1,350
Provost's Office	Arthur Johnson	48th Annual International Conference of the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP)	\$1,000
Staff Development	Julie Otte	American Council on Exercise, Health Coach Certification Course	\$840
Student Records	Erin Busscher	Presenter at the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Annual Conference	\$1,400

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