



# 2022 | COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Serving students, businesses & communities through Iowa's 15 Community Colleges

# INVEST IN COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Iowa's Community Colleges rely on State General Aid and local property tax funding for core operations and staffing needed to sustain strong programs. We support increasing this critical funding to keep up with rising costs.

**EVERY \$1 STUDENTS  
INVEST = \$6.30 IN  
FUTURE EARNINGS**

**TOTAL ECONOMIC  
IMPACT  
\$5.5 BILLION**

## PROGRAMS AND POLICIES TO BOOST ENROLLMENT

Nationally, Community College enrollment is down. While Iowa's numbers beat national trends, we are still seeing declines that need to be addressed. We support funding and policies to boost enrollment into the future. This includes strategies for supporting high school student exploration in post-secondary education and training options and making education accessible to everyone, in any stage of life.



**272,827  
STUDENTS IN  
CREDIT &  
NON-CREDIT  
PROGRAMS**



**MINORITY  
ENROLLMENT  
UP 23.7%**

## COLLABORATION TO MEET WORKFORCE TRAINING NEEDS



**IOWA'S  
COMMUNITY  
COLLEGES**



**SUPPORT  
1 OUT OF EVERY 23  
JOBS IN IOWA**

Iowa's Community Colleges play a critical role in education, training and re-training for Iowa's workforce. We support policies that maintain local decision-making so that Community Colleges can continue to support their communities and business partners in meeting their needs. We also support the adequate, ongoing funding of the Iowa Skilled Workforce and Job Creation Fund and New Jobs Training programs.