

2023-25 Operating and Capital Budget Requests

Legislative Districts: 25, 26, 27, 28, 29



Overview

With campuses in Tacoma and Gig Harbor, Washington, Tacoma Community College offers in-person, hybrid, and online learning options close to home at an affordable cost. TCC offers transfer degrees, professional degrees and certificates, Bachelor of Applied Science degrees, and continuing education classes tailored to meet the needs of both students and local employers. Committed to Guided Pathways and to anti-racist work, TCC seeks to continually improve the student experience while positioning graduates for success at transfer institutions and in the workplace.

Meet Michele Hart



2022 Transforming Lives Award Nominee Michele Hart first encountered TCC at the Washington Corrections Center for Women (WCCW), where she completed a Technical Design Certificate. She is currently completing an associate degree in Allied Health at TCC’s Tacoma campus and plans to complete TCC’s Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) in Applied Management program.

“I need the in-person, human-to-human contact,” Michele said. “That’s what school’s all about; you learn from one another. When I walk onto campus, I feel a sense of camaraderie, of connection. I’m not the only one going through what I’m going through.”

Legislative Priority: Expand Opportunity for Students and Employers

Fully funding our budget requests will have real returns for students like Michele Hart and for the communities and employers in our area. Students will learn from competitively-paid experts who choose to work at Tacoma Community College rather than pursue higher paying positions with private employers or K-12 schools. Our students will train for careers in robust workforce programs, with modern equipment and learning spaces that mirror their future work environments. We will be able to expand technology to bring a college education to more people in more ways, which is especially important for working adults. And, all our students will benefit from an inclusive environment where they are valued, supported and equipped to reach their goals.

Tacoma Community College will also receive funding to operate and maintain existing facilities, build its Center for Innovative Learning and Engagement, and design and build its Student Support Center.



Our Students

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| Total headcount..... | 9,245 |
| Total full-time equivalent (FTE)..... | 4,863 |
| Full-time | 57% |
| Part-time | 43% |
| Students of color..... | 51% |

Operating Budget Estimate

If the system’s operating budget request of \$353 million is fully funded, Tacoma Community College would receive approximately \$7.9 million in additional funding.

Capital Budget Estimate

If the system’s request is fully funded, Tacoma Community College will receive approximately \$9,024,000 for operation, maintenance, infrastructure, repairs and minor improvements of its existing facilities, \$39,313,000 in state funds and \$1,000,000 in local funds for construction of the Center for Innovative Learning and Engagement, and \$35,421,000 for design and construction of the Student Support Center.

