

**Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants (SCCTG)  
FY27 Letter to Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, and Education**

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Dear Chair Aderholt and Ranking Member DeLauro,

Thank you for your continued bipartisan support for the Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants (SCCTG) program in the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). SCCTG provides competitive grants for community colleges to work with employers to meet critical local workforce needs, while helping students earn high-wage jobs in high-demand industries. As you work to develop your fiscal year 2027 (FY27) appropriations bill, we respectfully request you again provide robust funding for SCCTG.

To date, the Appropriations Committee has provided funding for multiple rounds of SCCTG. Since the Trump Administration ran the first SCCTG competition in 2020, DOL has provided five rounds of SCCTG grants across 35 states to 207 colleges, including leads and consortium members. A map and summaries of grantees are available [here](#). Many more colleges have applied, but have been unable to win grants due to limited funding. Thus far, SCCTG grants have supported workforce development in agriculture, advanced manufacturing, information technology (including cybersecurity), healthcare, infrastructure, broadband, transportation, energy, education, artificial intelligence, and other fields.

This spring, the Trump Administration is running the competition for the sixth round of SCCTG, with a focus this year on helping implement Workforce Pell Grants, a bipartisan program helping low-income students enter high-quality short-term programs in high-demand, high-wage fields.

In 2024, Reps. Virginia Foxx and Bobby Scott included long-term authorization for SCCTG in their bipartisan Stronger Workforce for America Act, which passed the House with an overwhelming vote of 378-26.

In FY27, we request your continued support of annual appropriations for SCCTG, which provides workers with life-changing skills to rise up the economic ladder, and helps businesses keep good jobs in the local economy.

Sincerely,

Rep. Lucy McBath (D-GA)

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