

Resource Development and Administration



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Hurricane Harvey Recovery



RDA and LSC-Kingwood are working feverishly to assist the Kingwood campus with rebuilding needs following Hurricane Harvey. The Medallion Foundation awarded \$28,250 to purchase a twelve-passenger van for use as a shuttle to transport students. The library received a \$4,800 grant from the

Texas Library Association to assist with collections, technology, and facilities. The Texas State Library and Archives Commission awarded \$5,000 for the purchase of e-books. As a result of grant funding, the library may serve as a mentor institution following future disasters.

Additional Harvey Relief came in the form of scholarships. Scholarship America selected Lone Star College to receive \$20,000 to assist students impacted by the storm. Forty students were awarded \$500 each for immediate financial support.

LSC Leading Efforts to Rebuild Houston

TWC has awarded LSC \$1,024,942 in a “Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts Short Term, Fast-Track Training Courses for Dislocated Workers” grant. The award will support the LSC Rebuild Houston project to provide tuition, books, uniforms, and training in the construction trades to 3,000 students negatively impacted by Hurricane Harvey. This project seeks to meet the needs of employers as well as students as the construction industry continues to face pre-existing labor shortages that were exacerbated by the \$190 billion in damage caused by the hurricane. The funds will allow Lone Star College to expand training opportunities to add OSHA, First Line Supervision, Framing, Drywall, Painting, Flooring, Glazing, Plumbing, and Masonry to their current Pipefitting and HVAC offerings. Interested students should contact Chernette Abbs (281-618-5602, Chernette.Y.Abbs@LoneStar.edu) or Jessica Olsen (281-765-7923, Jessica.Olsen@LoneStar.edu) to learn more.



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LSC to Host NSF Community College Day



LSC is honored to host NSF Community College Day on March 23 in the LSC Conference Center @ LSC-University Park. Dr. V. Celeste Carter, Lead Program Director for the Division of Undergraduate Education, National Science Foundation is the special guest. Colleges from the Gulf Coast area will be invited. There are spaces for three potential principal investigators from each LSC campus. The goal of the day is to learn strategies for developing a robust proposal and to become familiar with the NSF merit review process. Dr. Carter will facilitate the day, including a panel of NSF principal investigators and a mock review panel using a currently funded NSF grant proposal.

LSC-Tomball and LSC-CyFair Establish Grants Councils

Dr. Jackie Thomas began the LSC-Tomball Grants Council in the spring of 2017 to research and prioritize grant opportunities that align with LSC’s values and strategic goals and support Tomball community needs. The Tomball Grants Council is also a mechanism to engage all campus departments and stakeholders and coordinate grant development and implementation. To get faculty and staff involved, the Council hosted the summit “There’s a Grant for That!” in September.

Dr. Mark Curtis-Chavez realized that the needs and resources at CyFair are unique. Following the Tomball model, Dr. Curtis-Chavez created the LSC-CyFair Grants Council in the fall of 2017 with the same mission and purpose. There will be a CyFair Faculty Symposium on April 6th focused on grants and grant development.

While RDA Grant Writers do not lead Grants Councils, they do play a vital role. Contact your campus Grant Writer today to explore the idea of a Grants Council on your campus!

Grant Opportunity Clearinghouse



RDA has developed a central collection of grants that can be used to sort and distribute grant opportunities according to campus priorities. Known as the RDA Grant Clearinghouse, this internal tool is designed to sort by funder, keyword, target population, and date (“forecast report”) to assist RDA in matching LSC needs to potential funding opportunities.

The tool will provide one location to house grant opportunity research and will assist RDA in developing timely grant forecast reports and tracking grant opportunity trends. The RDA Grant Clearinghouse will also produce the updated RDA Grant Summary page for consideration of new opportunities.

A special thank you to LSC Grant Writer Laura Wittel who developed the RDA Grant Clearinghouse and is its administrator.

RDA Staff Leading the Way



RDA is proud to announce that Patricia Mayo-Bravo, RDA Department Assistant, is now a graduate of Leadership Education Advancement Program, LEAP. LEAP is a leadership and career development program for non-exempt staff members across Lone Star College. Twenty participants were selected from applicants representing all colleges and system office. Congratulations, Patricia!

Several RDA staff were selected for LSC leadership development programs. Cyndi Drummond, Director Grant Development is currently a member of the Next Generation cohort. Alisa McLendon, Analyst, and Elizabeth Thompson, Executive Director, were selected for the 2018 Cohort of The Leadership Academy.

Congratulations are in Order!

Please congratulate the recipients of these grants recently awarded to LSC:

LSC Workforce Education, TWC Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts Short Term, Fast-Track Training Courses for Dislocated Workers, \$1,024,942

LSC Workforce Education, TWC Skills for Transition Operation Welcome Home, \$50,000

LSC Corporate College, TWC Skills Development Fund, A Manufacturing Consortium, \$968,537

LSC-Kingwood, Medallion Foundation, \$28,250

LSC-All Campuses, Scholarship America, \$20,000

