

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PROGRAM

Abstracts for Grants Awarded in June 2020

California Community Colleges System

Civic and Community

Los Angeles, CA

\$250,000

June 2020

Early Care & Education Pathways to Success (ECEPTS) is a fiscally sponsored project of the Foundation for California Community Colleges. In 2019, a youth apprenticeship program was piloted in Oakland in the field of early care and education. A Keck Foundation grant will support the adaptation of the model in the high-need, under-resourced Antelope Valley of Los Angeles County. The target occupations for the registered youth apprenticeship program will be early care and education (ECE) and the adjacent fields of human services and public health. The project team is partnering with Antelope Valley College, Antelope Valley Union High School District, and several community-based organizations and public agencies to implement the program. The apprenticeship will begin with a cohort of 25 high school juniors. The students will complete four college courses during their junior and senior years in high school and will be placed in paid on-the-job training experiences during the summers. Upon graduation from high school, the apprentices will have earned their California Child Development Associate Teacher Permit, qualifying them for entry level positions at ECE programs. As well, graduates will be able to continue their apprenticeship through Antelope Valley College, earning an associate degree and completing roughly 1000 on-the-job training hours. The youth apprenticeship will be registered with the California Division of Apprenticeship Standards and the U. S. Department of Labor. Funds will be used to support the project team, academic advisement, and on-the

committed to bring the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to more girls in underserved communities in both traditional and innovative ways. Since 2016, the number of girls served by GSGLA from low income zip codes increased from 10,000 to more than 17,000, and now comprises 37% of its total membership and continues to grow. To help meet the needs of this growing population and introduce girls to experiences that will help them to achieve their full potential, GSGLA committed to build the Inglewood Innovation Center, a learning lab for STEAM-based (science, technology, engineering, art and math) programming. The project is

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Education

Los Angeles, CA

\$200,000

June 2020

The K-8 STEM Network is an educational initiative of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' (ADLA) Department of Catholic Schools to develop a community of elementary schools committed to teaching science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The goal is to implement high-quality, project-based STEM instruction in elementary schools with a majority of low-income students of color to close the gap they experience in STEM learning opportunities. The initiative was launched in 2019-20 at three schools. Over the next two years, the ADLA will add four schools to the network, providing standards-based STEM instruction to a minimum of 1,000 students so that they are better prepared to be STEM-literate and fully equipped to handle rapid technological change. A Keck Foundation grant will support equipment, teacher training and curricular resources for the STEM Network schools.

Fulfillment Fund

Education

Los Angeles, CA

\$200,000

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The Fulfillment Fund (the Fund) provides college access and success services to students and alumni from its partner Title I high schools in Los Angeles. Since its launch, the College Success P

space, equipment, labs, technology, and administrative and financial support from the hospital, freeing doctors to focus on patients. A team-based model that includes nurses, care coordinators, and allied health professionals offers support. Increasing access to care for members of this historically underserved community is already improving patient health, lowering hospital re-admission rates and reducing the need for emergency department services among the medical group's cohort of patients suffering from complex, chronic conditions.