



▪ *In-Person Meeting* ▪

AGENDA
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, Rm. 103/ 104
1 Partnership Circle, Abingdon, Virginia 24212
Wednesday, May 17, 2023
1:00 P.M.

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Welcome and Call to Order	<i>Hon. Kathy Byron, Chair</i>
Call of the Roll	<i>Hon. James E. Campos, Acting Executive Director</i>
Demonstration of Virtual Cadaver Lab	<i>1:05 – 1:45 pm - Resume Regular Meeting @ 1:45 pm</i>
Approval of the <u>12/14/22</u> Minutes	<i>(published on website)</i>
Public Comment	
2023-24 WFA Applications	<i>Ms. Vicki Humphreys, Grants Director</i>
WFA RFP Category Review	<i>Ms. Vicki Humphreys, Grants Director</i>
Extensions & Modifications	
Other Business	<i>Mr. Andy Sorrell, Deputy Director</i>
Public Comment	
Adjournment	

Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission

Education Committee – May 17, 2023

Workforce Financial Aid for the FY2023-24 School Year

The Education Committee will meet at 1:00pm on May 17, 2023 to consider the following Workforce Financial Aid (WFA) proposals.

The FY23 Commission budget has \$2.2 million available to support Workforce Financial Aid grants in the 2023-24 school year. Staff requested that institutions apply for workforce financial aid needs based on two tier levels:

- Tier I Requests: Community Colleges where the majority of the student population is from TRRC localities may apply for up to \$240,000. Tier I institutions include the following Community Colleges: Central Virginia, Danville, Mountain Empire, Patrick & Henry, Southside Virginia, Southwest Virginia, Virginia Highlands, and Wytheville.
- Tier II Requests: Community Colleges without a majority of TRRC localities in service area, and Higher Education Centers in the region may apply for up to \$100,000. Tier II Community Colleges and Higher Education Centers include Brightpoint, New River, Virginia Western; New College Institute, Southern Virginia Higher Education Center, and Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center.

Staff received 11 applications totaling \$2,197,020 (\$1,137,020, Southern Virginia; \$1,060,000, Southwest Virginia).

Applicants were instructed to align their requests with the Commission's four funding priority areas. Below is an excerpt from the 2023-2024 WFA Guidelines:

Funding Priorities & Application Requirements: The Commission's four funding priorities for the WFA Program are listed on the next page in ranked order. Applicant institutions must use WFA funding for all eligible students in a higher priority category program before using WFA funding for other eligible students in a lower priority category.

Priority	Program	Definition	Required for Submission
1	Workforce Credentials*	Short term, non-credit certificates approved by VCCS under Fast Forward Training Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of all short-term, noncredit workforce credential training requested for scholarship support under Priority 1
2	Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	For Credit Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing fields not eligible for G3 program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of all Non-G3 STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing, requested for scholarship support under Priority 2 Total amount of scholarship funding requested for Non G3-Eligible Programs.
3	G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	For Credit Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing fields eligible for G3 program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of all G3-Eligible programs requested for scholarship support under Priority 3 Total amount of scholarship funding requested for G3-Eligible Programs.
4	High-demand occupations (to be approved by TRRC)	For Credit Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees. Non STEM-H or Advanced Manufacturing. Limited to two (2) specific areas of study (General Studies degrees not eligible).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of training under Priority 4 Total amount of scholarship funding requested for specified high demand programs. Must include documentation of employer demand.

*For Students receiving FastForward Workforce Credential funding, TRRC will support one-sixth of the cost of training program and certification (half of one-third share the student is responsible for), with the remainder to be covered by FFWC and potentially state FANTIC funds or other sources. However, TRRC will allow up to 50% tuition reimbursement for FFWC-eligible training cohorts conducted during periods when FFWC funding is not available due to state funding limitations. When requesting reimbursement, documentation should include the date FFWC funds were exhausted or limited by Virginia Community College System.

TRRC staff will recommend awards to applicant institutions that allocate funding to higher funding priority categories before allocating funding to lower priority categories. Staff will not recommend awarding funds for applications that allocate funds to lower priority categories without documented employer demand.

Eligible uses of WFA: WFA support shall be used only for tuition and mandatory fees. WFA funds may not be used for books, transportation and other expenses.

Staff Comments:

All requests comply with the Committee’s long-standing objectives of providing last-dollar assistance to students working to obtain a nationally-recognized workforce or academic credential. The schools that propose to use WFA funding for Priority #4 programs provided evidence of regional employer demand for certain types of jobs relevant to a corresponding credential/program.

The requests anticipate serving a total of 1,477 students and resulting in the issuance of 1,436 credentials being issued in the 2023-2024 school year. The proposals also estimate matching funds of more than \$5.7 million for students receiving TRRC support and students in TRRC scholarship priority areas.

Staff recommends approval of the requests as summarized on the following pages, for last-dollar Workforce Financial Aid for Tobacco Region residents in the 2023-24 school year, contingent on the following conditions:

- **Matching Funds:** Grantees must provide at least dollar-for-dollar matching funds.

- **Documentation Requirements:**
 - Grantees must report, on an individual student basis, the full distribution of all financial aid and/or other funding used to meet that student’s financial responsibility. This documentation may be marked “confidential” to protect student privacy, and the Commission asks that any other sensitive data (such as security numbers, student health or disability status, etc.) be redacted. Grantees are expected to work with the college’s financial aid office to track scholarship commitments through the People Soft system.
 - Grantees must report the program/major for each scholarship recipient in order for TRRC staff to validate eligibility under the approved priorities.
- **Dual Enrollment:** Dual Enrollment funding will be limited to regional high school program offerings at community college facilities. These scholarship funds will be limited to Advanced Manufacturing and Information Technology career programs. At least fifty percent 50% match must be provided toward Dual Enrollment tuition and fees.
- **Poverty Level Income Requirements:** Grantees will limit scholarships for G3 Eligible and Non-G3 Eligible for credit programs to students with family income up to 500% of Poverty Level for their family size (See below). Grantees must work with the college’s financial aid office in order to verify income eligibility and to track scholarship commitments through the People Soft system.
- **Final Reimbursement:** Grantees must submit final reimbursement request no later than 90 days after end of academic year.

Federal Poverty Guidelines:

TRRC utilizes the U.S. Federal Poverty Guidelines issued annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to determine financial eligibility for its WFA programs. HHS Poverty Guidelines for 2023 are below.

2023 Poverty Guidelines: 48 Contiguous States (for Virginia):

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline	500% of Poverty Guideline
1	\$ 14,580	\$ 72,900
2	\$ 19,720	\$ 98,600
3	\$ 24,860	\$ 124,300
4	\$ 30,000	\$ 150,000
5	\$ 35,140	\$ 175,700
6	\$ 40,280	\$ 201,400
7	\$ 45,420	\$ 227,100
8	\$ 50,560	\$ 252,800

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,140 for each additional person.

Req #	Organization	Project Title	Request Amount
Southern Virginia			
4143	Brightpoint Community College Foundation	2023-24 Tobacco Region Scholarship at Brightpoint Community College	\$77,020
4138	Central Virginia Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.	CVCC Workforce Financial Aid 2023-2024	\$240,000
4141	Danville Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.	DCC Educational Foundation Workforce Financial Aid 2023-2024	\$240,000
4137	Patrick & Henry Community College Foundation	P&HCC 2023-2024 Workforce Financial Aid	\$240,000
4145	Southside Virginia Community College Foundation	Investing in Southside Students	\$240,000
4136	Virginia Western Community College Educational Foundation	Workforce Financial Aid and Community College Access Program for Franklin County	\$100,000
Southwest Virginia			
4140	Mountain Empire Community College	MECC Works	\$240,000
4146	New River Community College Educational Foundation	Floyd County ACCE (Access to Community College Education) Program	\$100,000
4139	Southwest Virginia Community College	2023-2024 SWCC WFA Tobacco Scholarship Program	\$240,000
4142	Virginia Highlands Community College Educational Foundation	Virginia Highlands Community College - Workforce Financial Aid FY24	\$240,000
4144	Wytheville Community College	Wytheville Community College Forging Futures Scholarship Program	\$240,000

Total (11 Applications) \$2,197,020

Southern Virginia

Brightpoint Community College Foundation (#4143)

2023-24 Tobacco Region Scholarship at Brightpoint Community College

\$77,020 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$15,590	28	0	28	0	0	28
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$45,980	44	17	0	0	1	18
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$15,450	6	1	0	0	3	4
High-Demand Occupations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$77,020	78	18	28	0	4	50

Match: The college is pledging \$319,336 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

- Industrial Electricity CSC
- Basic Precision Machining CSC
- Welding CSC

Staff Comments: All required information was provided. Dual enrollment tuition assistance is populated under Priority #2 and budgeted at \$35,680. Advanced Manufacturing concurrent programs are offered to Amelia, Dinwiddie and Sussex County high school students at BCC’s campus in Chester.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$77,020 grant award.

Central Virginia Community College Educational Foundation (#4138)
CVCC Workforce Financial Aid 2023-2024
\$240,000 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$70,000	70	0	70	0	0	70
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$110,000	22	9	1	2	10	22
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$60,000	15	6	0	2	7	15
High-Demand Occupations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$240,000	107	15	71	4	17	107

Match: The college is pledging \$240,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

- Computer and Electronic Technology/Fundamentals CSCs
- Cyber Security /Fundamentals CSCs
- Electrical Technology Fundamentals/Plus CSCs
- HVAC/Fundamentals CSCs
- Industrial Maintenance Electrician/Mechanical/Fundamentals CSCs
- Information Systems Fundamentals/Plus CSCs
- Machine Technology /Fundamentals CSCs
- Mechatronics /Fundamentals/Plus CSCs
- Welding /Fundamentals CSCs

Staff Comments: Staff requested and received a revised list of programs to be supported under each category. (The original submittal was based on last year’s guidelines.) Dual enrollment will be offered in partnership with high schools in the region for students attending the Career Technical Center at CVCC’s main campus.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

**Danville Community College Educational Foundation (#4141)
DCC Educational Foundation Workforce Financial Aid 2023-2024
\$240,000 Requested**

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$50,000	50	50	0	0	0	50
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$100,000	40	0	0	10	30	40
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$90,000	36	0	3	30	3	36
High-Demand Occupations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$240,000	126	50	3	40	33	136

Match: The college is pledging \$240,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

Staff Comments: All required information was provided with the application.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

Patrick & Henry Community College Foundation (#4137)
P&HCC 2023-24 Workforce Financial Aid
\$240,000 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$15,000	20	0	18	0	0	18
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$30,000	25	0	0	0	32	32
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$180,000	111	24	34	0	31	89
High-Demand Occupations	\$15,000	18	0	0	0	15	15
Total	\$240,000	174	24	52	0	78	154

Match: The college is pledging \$357,654 in matching funds.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

- Precision Machining CSC
- Welding CSC
- Mechatronics CSC

High-Demand Occupations:

- General Studies Specialization: Teacher Education Preparation AA&S

Staff Comments: All required information was provided with the application. Dual enrollment tuition assistance is populated under Priority #3 and budgeted at \$53,807. Dual enrollment programs are offered in partnership with area high schools are held at the P&HCC Manufacturing Engineering & Technology Complex.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

Southside Virginia Community College Foundation (#4145)
Investing in Southside Students
\$240,000 Requested

Program Summary		Anticipated Results Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$30,000	40	0	40	0	0	40
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$114,500	57	49	8	0	0	57
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$75,000	24	0	12	0	12	24
High-Demand Occupations	\$20,500	15	15	0	0	0	15
Total	\$240,000	136	64	60	0	12	136

Match: The college is pledging \$240,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

- Welding
- Information Technology
- HVAC
- Electricity
- Precision Machining
- ~~Administration of Justice (does not qualify)~~
- ~~Emergency Medical Services (does not qualify)~~

High-Demand Occupations:

- Administration of Justice AAS, Criminal Justice CSC

Staff Comments: All required information was provided. Dual enrollment is populated under Priority #2 and budgeted at \$114,500, and per policy is limited to Advanced Manufacturing and Information Technology career programs. SsVCC’s Foundation agreed to remove the requested dual enrollment support for Emergency Medical Services and Administration of Justice given that these are ineligible. An occupational demand analysis was provided to support high-demand occupations for criminal justice careers under the fourth category.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

Virginia Western Community College Educational Foundation (#4136)
Workforce Financial Aid and Community College Access Program for Franklin County
\$100,000 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$10,152	21	0	31	0	0	31
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$37,110	25	0	0	0	2	2
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$43,445	33	0	0	0	5	5
High-Demand Occupations	\$9,283	8	2	0	0	4	6
Total	\$100,000	87	2	31	0	11	44

Match: The college is pledging \$140,581 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

High-Demand Occupations:

- Culinary Arts AAS
- Management AAS

Staff Comments: All required information was provided.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$100,000 grant award.

Southwest Virginia

Mountain Empire Community College (#4140)

MECC Works

\$240,000 Requested

Program Summary		Anticipated Results					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year: Total
Workforce Credentials	\$20,000	20	0	0	0	0	0
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$100,000	50	20	0	0	12	32
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$105,000	75	30	15	30	0	75
High-Demand Occupations	\$15,000	40	15	0	0	25	40
Total	\$240,000	185	65	15	30	37	147

Match: The college is pledging \$3,289,375 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources. The estimates provided for the use of matching funds are substantially larger compared to the other applications. This is likely the result of MECC pulling match from a much broader population of students however there is no question that adequate matching funds will be provided for this application.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

High-Demand Occupations:

- Police & Corrections Science Career Pathways
 - Law Enforcement Management and Supervision (CSC)
 - Administration of Justice (Certificate)
 - Corrections Management and Supervision (CSC)
 - Police Science (AAS)
 - Corrections Science (AAS)
- Education Career Pathways
 - Early Childhood Development - Early Childhood (CSC)
 - Early Childhood Development - Infant & Toddler (CSC)
 - Pre-Teacher Education (AAS)

Staff Comments: All required information was provided.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

**New River Community College Educational Foundation (#4146)
 Floyd County ACCE (Access to Community College Education) Program
 \$100,000 Requested**

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$40,000	20	0	5	0	15	20
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$40,000	20	0	5	0	15	20
High-Demand Occupations	\$20,000	10	0	3	0	7	10
Total	\$100,000	50	0	13	0	37	50

Match: The college is pledging \$100,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

High-Demand Occupations:

- Law Enforcement Career Pathway
 - Forensic Science (AAS)
 - Police Science (AAS)
 - Criminal Justice (CSC)
- Business Management/ Administration (AAS, CSC, Certificate)

Staff Comments: All required information was provided. Although it appears that the college offers several programs which could be supported under Priority 1, NRCC has chosen not to allocate funds for this use. For many years the College has chosen to use TRRC WFA support to serve only new high school graduates from Floyd County. Many of these students are enrolled in transfer programs and may not be participating in the shorter term training opportunities. Staff notes that this award could be used to serve any eligible student from Floyd County such as adult learners who may be interested in pursuing educational and training opportunities through NRCC.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$100,000 grant award.

Southwest Virginia Community College (#4139)
 2023-2024 SWCC WFA Tobacco Scholarship Program
 \$240,000 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$100,000	70	0	70	0	0	70
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$50,000	26	11	0	0	15	26
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$90,000	48	30	8	0	10	48
High-Demand Occupations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	\$240,000	144	41	78	0	25	144

Match: The college is pledging \$240,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

High-Demand Occupations:

n/a

Staff Comments: All required information was provided. Although SWCC allocated a large portion of last year’s WFA grant to serve students in Priority #4 programs (Education) the current application does not allocate any funding for this use. Instead the largest allocation of funding is under Priority #1. In a follow up discussion with the applicant, Staff was assured that the application reflects SWCC’s projections for enrollment and financial need.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

Virginia Highlands Community College Educational Foundation (#4142)
Virginia Highlands Community College – Workforce Financial Aid FY24
\$240,000 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$36,000	48	0	48	0	0	48
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$94,000	60	6	12	38	4	60
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$70,000	55	25	0	18	12	55
High-Demand Occupations	\$40,000	77	60	0	0	17	77
Total	\$240,000	240	91	60	56	33	240

Match: The college is pledging \$240,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

High-Demand Occupations:

- Administration of Justice (CSC, AAS)
- Law Enforcement Career Pathway
 - Education (AA&S)
 - Educational Specialization in Teacher Prep (AA&S)

Staff Comments: During review, Staff requested additional information describing the programs to be served with TRRC funds. There was particular concern that no funds had been allocated for Priority #2 which supports programs eligible for TRRC funds, but *not* eligible for G3. There are at least 8 of these programs offered at VHCC. In response, the College provided a revised program list and associated outcomes chart reflecting the allocation of \$94,000 to serve 60 students under Priority #2.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

Wytheville Community College (#4144)
Wytheville Community College Forging Futures Scholarship Program
\$240,000 Requested

Anticipated Results							
Program Summary		Unduplicated # of Students Completing in School Year:					
Sub-Program	TRRC \$ Requested	# of Students Served	Career Studies Certificates (CSC)	Certificates (CERT)	Diplomas (DIPL)	Associates (AAS)	Total
Workforce Credentials	\$30,000	30	0	60	0	0	60
Non-G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$130,000	75	20	40	0	45	105
G3 Eligible Programs in STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing	\$50,000	40	10	0	0	38	48
High-Demand Occupations	\$30,000	15	0	0	0	15	15
Total	\$240,000	160	30	100	0	98	228

Match: The college is pledging \$300,000 in matching funds from other state and federal financial aid sources.

Dual-Enrollment (Concurrent):

n/a

High-Demand Occupations:

- Education (AA&S)
- Law Enforcement Career Pathway
 - Administration of Justice (CSC, AAS)
 - Corrections Science (CSC, AAS)

Staff Comments: All required information was provided.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends a \$240,000 grant award.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Central Virginia Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.

New Radiography Overhead X-Ray System (#3629)

Current Project End Date: 5/18/2023

5th Year Extension Requested

Staff Comments: The Commission approved a \$91,667 grant in May 2020 to support 50% of the acquisition costs for a new X-Ray machine. CVCC is requesting a two-year grant extension to allow time for facility renovations to be completed and for the equipment to be purchased and installed. CVCC has the only regional Radiologic Technology Program and is the sole provider of radiologic technologists for a majority of the Tobacco Region footprint. The approval of this grant occurred at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, which caused both fundraising and state capital improvement projects to be put on hold. Also during this time, the cost of construction materials significantly increased, further extending the timeline for renovations to be completed. CVCC has secured the match for the X-Ray equipment from Centra Health; plans for the renovations are approved with initial renovations underway; and full funding of renovations are on the approval list of the VCCS for General Assembly funding. The additional two years will allow sufficient time for the required renovations to be completed that are necessary to accommodate the new X-Ray equipment in a permanent location.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of an extension to May 31, 2025.

Radford University Foundation

Counselor Education Program in SWVA (# 3514)

Current Project End Date: 6/30/2023

Request for one year extension

Staff Comments: This grant of \$325,000, approved in June 2019, supports operating costs for Radford's School of Counseling Master's Degree Program located at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center. TRRC funds are used to pay 50% of instructor and other operating expenses for the program which reduces the tuition burden for participants. The first cohort of students completed the program in spring 2022 with 18 graduates. A second cohort is underway, and the proposed one year extension will allow the cohort to complete the program.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of a one year extension through June 30, 2024.