

Fact Sheet



Our commitment today, tomorrow, and beyond:



Virginia's Community Colleges are the **solution** to Virginia's workforce needs.



Our 23 community colleges across 40 campuses ensure there is a **community college** within reach.



With additional funding, we are **expanding programs** to increase the talent pipeline.

Lowest Funded in Higher Education

Virginia's Community Colleges are the best positioned to train and skill up community members to fill open jobs; even so, our colleges are the lowest-funded higher education institutions in Virginia, while continuing to be one of the most affordable options in higher education.

\$0.57 on the Dollar

Virginia's Community Colleges receive fewer than 57 cents for every one dollar that goes to support a full-time equivalent student at a public Virginia university.

23rd Percentile on Spending

Looking at expenditures per full-time equivalent student, we are in the 23rd percentile in the nation, meaning 77% of community colleges spend more per student.

What We're Doing



Aligning to GO Virginia Regions



Convening Industry Summits



Funding pay-for-performance models



Scaling programs regionally

Sector Focuses

With additional funding, Virginia's Community Colleges will expand programs to increase the supply of trained workers to meet business and industry demand across in-demand sectors. These are the programs that are **the costliest to scale, but are the most critical** to filling Virginia's talent pipeline.



Healthcare



Information Technology



Skilled Trades



Logistics



Manufacturing



Infrastructure



Energy

Impact

Virginia's Community Colleges enroll 46% of all public undergraduate students in Virginia, and 81% of our students stay local and contribute back to their communities and economies.

For every \$1...



Students gain **\$5.70**
in lifetime earnings



Taxpayers gain **\$2.70**
in added tax revenue and
public sector savings



Society gains **\$8.80**
in added income and
social savings

Successes

\$3.9 Billion

Wages earned from FastForward graduates, a result of a multi-year, cumulative \$55 million investment.

52,900 Credentials

Over 52,900 credentials earned through FastForward since 2016.

230,000 Students Served

In 2022, we served about 230,000 students through credit, noncredit, transfer, CTE, and dual enrollment educational programs.

\$20.5 Million

In 2023, 12,600 students received \$20.5 million in G3 tuition assistance, with an additional \$29 million in federal and state grant aid.

93,798 Minority Students

Just over 46% of enrolled credit students identified as a minority (35,681 as Black/African American; 28,949 as Hispanic/Latin; 17,621 as Asian).

Bottom Line

Adequate funds



Increased ability to
scale training in high-
demand sectors



More trained workers
meeting the needs of
business and industry