

Action Item***California Student Aid Commission***

Consideration of an amendment to the Executive Director's authority to sign 2011-12 California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) contracts to include \$216,083 in additional federal funds (Action)

At its August 11, 2011 meeting, the Commission approved the following action:

Authorize the Executive Director to execute the 2011-12 Cal-SOAP contracts totaling \$6,673,317 at the allocation levels recommended by Commission staff and authorize the Executive Director to reallocate funds as equitably as possible if a project cannot utilize all of its allocated funds.

This action was taken based on the expectation that the 2011-12 Federal College Access Challenge Grant (Challenge Grant) award for California would be \$14,363,185. This funding was allocated as follows:

- \$ 7,227,000 Assumption Program of Loans for Education
- \$ 462,868 Cash for College
- \$ 6,673,317 Cal-SOAP

The actual 2011-12 Challenge Grant award amount was increased by \$216,083. The additional funding will be allocated to Cal-SOAP, increasing the total Cal-SOAP allocation to \$6,889,400.

We are in discussion with the northern California Cal-SOAP Project Directors to determine if these additional funds can be used to provide services to the students previously served by the North Valley Cal-SOAP, which has been defunded.

The previous Commission action limited the Executive Director's 2011-12 Cal-SOAP contract authority to \$6,673,317. We recommend an amendment authorizing the additional funding and allowing flexibility in allocating the increased funding, but with priority given to the greatest extent possible to providing services to students in the area previously served by the North Valley Cal-SOAP.

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director to execute the 2011-12 Cal-SOAP contracts totaling \$6,889,400 at the allocation levels recommended by Commission staff and authorize the Executive Director flexibility in allocating the increased funding but with priority given to the greatest extent possible to providing services to students in the area previously served by the North Valley Cal-SOAP.

Responsible Person(s): Janet McDuffie, Chief
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**Commission Staff Recommendation for
2011-12 Cal-SOAP Allocations**

	2010-11 Baseline	Baseline Funding Adjustment	Revised Baseline	CTE Phase I	Revised CTE Phase II	Total Proposed Allocation
Central Coast	299,998	(23,682)	276,316	-	55,834	332,150
Central Valley	299,998	(23,682)	276,316	-	55,834	332,150
East Bay & Solano	784,484	(47,367)	737,117	125,000	149,158	1,011,275
Greater Long Beach	299,998	(23,682)	276,316	-	55,834	332,150
Los Angeles	604,548	(23,682)	580,866	-	55,834	636,700
Merced	299,998	(23,682)	276,316	-	55,834	332,150
North Coast	361,843	(23,682)	338,161	-	55,834	393,995
North Valley	320,412	(320,412)	0	-	(52,344)	0
Sacramento	328,102	(23,682)	304,420	-	55,834	360,254
San Diego/Imperial Counties	908,007	(23,682)	884,325	-	55,834	940,159
San Francisco	299,998	(23,682)	276,316	-	55,834	332,150
San Jose	444,986	(23,682)	421,304	-	55,834	477,138
Santa Barbara	461,571	(23,682)	437,889	-	55,834	493,723
South County Gilroy	335,021	(23,682)	311,339	-	55,834	367,173
South San Joaquin	299,998	(23,682)	276,316	-	55,834	332,150
Additional Funds*				-		216,083
Total	\$6,348,962	(\$675,645)	\$5,673,317	\$125,000	\$875,000	\$6,889,400

**The additional funds will be reallocated with priority given to the greatest extent possible to providing services to students in the area previously served by the North Valley Cal-SOAP.*