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California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris statement on Gov. Brown's revised budget plan

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris issued the following statement on Gov. Jerry Brown's revised state budget plan, which was released today:

"Community colleges offer a pathway to economic opportunity—and a path out of poverty for millions of Californians. Recent improvements in the state's financial condition have enabled us to serve more students and add back classes, but our colleges are still dealing with the consequences of recession-era cuts that forced us to ration education. The governor's revised budget proposal will aid our recovery and provide more access and support for students to pursue their educational goals."

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.1 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills education and prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. For more information about the community colleges, please visit https://www.facebook.com/CACommColleges, or https://twitter.com/CalCommColleges.

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