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To: Chief Business Officers
FROM: ERIK SKINNER, Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Services
SUBJECT: ARRA and State Categorical Funding By District

To help with your budget planning, I have attached two spreadsheets (one for the flexible categorical programs and one for the non-flexible programs) showing the allocation, by college district, of both American Recovery and Reinvestment Act State Stabilization (ARRA) funding and state categorical program funding that will be disbursed through apportionment schedules published by the fiscal services unit during the 2009-10 fiscal year. These spreadsheets only include categorical funds that will flow to districts through the apportionment process. Grants, contracts and any other funds that flow to districts by invoice are not included.

State categorical funds have been, and will continue to be, disbursed to districts using each categorical program's usual disbursement method (either through the monthly apportionment payment process or through the invoice process). In contrast, federal ARRA funds will be disbursed to districts in a separate, lump sum payment. The disbursement of federal ARRA funds will occur upon completion of the paperwork necessary for the state to release these funds, which should occur before the end of October.

The *2009-10 State Budget* provided community college districts with \$35 million in one-time ARRA funding. The Legislature's intent in providing these one-time funds was to allow districts to partially mitigate the deep cuts categorical programs experienced in the state budget. Pursuant to legislative intent, the funding formula used to determine each district's ARRA allocation is based on the cuts the district experienced in state funding for categorical programs, as shown in the attached spreadsheets. However, under federal law those funds are general purpose and are not required to be spent on categorical programs.

Note that some of the categorical program allocations for 2009-10, shown on the attached spreadsheet, may change at the 2009-10 First Principal Apportionment (P1) once calculations are updated using final 2008-09 figures. Those programs that may change at the P1 include: Part-Time Faculty Compensation; Basic Skills; Part-Time Faculty Office Hours and Health Benefits; Disabled Students Programs and Services; and Apprenticeship. Any adjustments that need to be made at P1 will be made to a district's share of state dollars; the allocation of the federal ARRA funds will not change from the

amounts shown on the attached spreadsheet. Please also note that the CalWORKs figures do not include federal TANF funds; those allocations will be communicated under separate cover. Also, due to special circumstances involving the Economic Development grants, those funding allocations are not identified at this time. Economic Development program staff will send those figures to districts as soon as possible.

At this time we are still working with the Governor's Office on the Interagency Agreement that will provide us with the authority to disburse the ARRA funds, so many details regarding reporting, certifying, and timing of expenditures are not yet known. Further guidance regarding these matters will be forthcoming.

If you have specific program questions related to the funding levels identified on the attached spreadsheet for your district for a specific categorical program, please contact the appropriate Chancellor's Office staff. Contact information for program staff is listed below.

Sincerely,

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