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Community Colleges Support Community College Opportunity Grant Program

TRENTON, N.J.—Today, the New Jersey Council of County Colleges, the state association that strengthens and supports New Jersey’s community colleges, released the following statement regarding the Community College Opportunity Grant Program:

New Jersey’s community colleges support Governor Murphy’s vision and leadership to expand economic opportunity for New Jerseyans through the Community College Opportunity Grant (CCOG) Program.

We commend the state legislature for passing a budget that significantly expands eligibility for the CCOG program, especially by increasing the income eligibility to students in households earning up to \$65,000.

We are hopeful that the Governor and the legislature will reach a final budget agreement that will include additional resources for community college students through the CCOG program. This investment will help the state meet its goal of having 65% of our residents hold a college degree or credential by 2025 and will promote the transformative power of community colleges to secure a bright future for all New Jerseyans.

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