About the college
Rainy River Community College (RRCC) offers high-quality academics, on-campus housing, athletics, student organizations, and the opportunity for lifelong friendships. Students appreciate the small class sizes and individual attention they get from instructors and staff.

Service to Minnesota
» Each year, as part of NHED, RRCC, HCC, ICC, Mesabi Range College, and VCC (Vermilion) generate $211.3 million in economic impact, as well as produce 1,100 graduates, and support and sustain 1,809 jobs.

» Partnered with Normandale Community College to host their hospitality management program. This provides world-class customer service and management training for local partners in the hotel and restaurant industry.

» Teaming with Koochiching Economic Development Authority, Koostasca Community Action, Inc., Independent School District No. 361, and Koochiching County Health and Human Services to create a solution to address the child care shortage.

» The only higher education provider for over 100 miles with the responsibility to prepare students for the next phase of their education or career.

Partnerships
» Rural Health Care Initiative: RRCC partners with Essentia Health, Rainy Lake Medical Center, City of International Falls, Koochiching County Economic Development Agency, and the United States Department of Agriculture to develop short- and long-term strategies addressing the health care worker shortage in rural Minnesota.

» Advanced MN: Providing a variety of training for employees at Packaging Corporation of America. In addition, in partnership with Hibbing Community College, bringing a condensed version of the CDL program to the community.

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Request Details
Amounts are estimates and subject to change
» $5.3 million (as part of NHED) of $169 million in campus support
» 533 students, faculty, and staff will use NextGen
» An estimated 20 students will receive grants

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