Minnesota State FY2020–FY2021 Legislative Request: Rochester Community and Technical College

LOCATION: Rochester

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FY18 STUDENT PROFILE: 7,057 Credit-seeking Students | 36.7% Pell Eligible | 27.1% Students of Color

Request Details

Amounts are estimates and subject to change

» $4.5 million of $169 million in campus support
» 7,512 students, faculty, and staff will use NextGen
» An estimated 470 students will receive grants

What’s At Stake?

A fully funded request will:

» Allow employers to continue to rely on RCTC for filling open positions in the growing southeastern Minnesota economy.
» Continue innovative, interactive learning styles to provide relevant, accessible, and affordable educational opportunities.

Not fully funding the request will:

» Cause course cancellations, possible program suspensions, or closures in high-demand areas.
» Increase deferred maintenance and cause energy efficiencies to be unrealized, causing safety and standards issues.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Rochester Community and Technical College (RCTC) is the oldest public two-year college in Minnesota, combining the best in liberal arts, technical, and lifelong learning with more than 70 credit-based programs and more than 100 credential options.

SERVICE TO MINNESOTA

» Each year, RCTC generates $231.9 million in economic impact, as well as produces 978 graduates, and supports and sustains 2,009 jobs.
» Provides skilled workers ready to enter the fast-growing, high-tech workforce.
» Works with students and area K–12, alternative learning providers and four-year institutions to map educational and career goals and create a plan to best achieve them.
» Programs that can be completed in one semester or one or two years. Students can be trained and enter the workforce with a smaller investment of time and money.

» Offers counseling, advising, financial assistance, health services, and tutoring all aimed at top priority of seeing students succeed.

PARTNERSHIPS

» Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences and Mayo Clinic: Provides clinical/internship experiences for students, offers annual financial program support, and serves on many program advisory committees.
» Destination Medical Center: RCTC leadership serves to align educational opportunities with planned community and economic growth.
» Rochester Chamber of Commerce: RCTC sponsors and supports initiatives including Leadership Greater Rochester and the STEAM summit (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) for high school juniors.

FROM A STUDENT:

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2019 Capital Request

» $3.6 million in asset preservation and replacement to repair exteriors, windows and door, replace roof

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