ABSTRACT

Pitt Community College (PCC), a two-year, public educational institution located in Greenville, NC, proposes to offer a new HEP Program that will improve participants' social, emotional, academic, and career development (Invitational Priority 1). PCC will create a supportive, positive, identity-safe, and inclusive climate for participants (IP1a) and foster partnerships to provide comprehensive services to participants (IP1b) by using PCC's 20+ partner network to provide comprehensive services and utilizing our established apprenticeship partners. Objective 1: To provide instruction to support academic success, English proficiency, math skills proficiency, financial literacy, and digital literacy. Objective 2: To provide resources through partnership referrals and increase awareness of available resources including food, housing, clothing, utilities, child care, and legal assistance through extended partnerships. Objective 3: To provide culturally enriched recruitment activities and outreach. Objective 4: To provide job placement opportunities, higher education opportunities, or military opportunities. **Project** activities will include bilingual orientation, instruction and tutoring, contextualized instruction, counseling, peer mentoring, culturally inclusive events, student support services, apprenticeships, work-based learning, transportation, childcare and housing assists, career services, and competency training. Outcomes: 70% HSE completion rate, with 80% of program completers enrolling in higher education, military service or obtaining employment. Number of Participants to be served annually: 50 students will enroll per project year, for a total of 250 enrolled students; commuter students only. Proposed sites: Pitt Community College, Main Campus and three established remote learning sites, and online. Hotspots and laptops will be provided for students to participate online.