

CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

Governing Board Agenda

Meeting Date: September 22, 2009

<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Item Title</u>	<u>Responsible Agents</u>
	U.S. Department of Education Grant Award for Student Support Services TRIO Program at South Mountain Community College	Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick Dr. Ken Atwater

Recommendation

It is recommended that the MCCCCD Governing Board accept the U.S. Department of Education grant award in the amount of \$252,200 for the Student Support Services TRIO program at South Mountain Community College. Funds were awarded for year five of a five-year SSS-TRIO grant, beginning 9/1/2005 and ending 8/31/2010.

Justification

The Student Support Services program will serve 160 college students attending South Mountain Community College. The program provides opportunities for academic development, assists students with basic college requirements, and serves to motivate students towards the successful completion of their post-secondary education. The goal of the Student Support Services program is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants and facilitate the process of transition from one level of higher education to the next.

Student Support Services programs serve students who are any combination of: first generation college, low-income and/or disabled. Through the Student Support Services program at South Mountain Community College, students will participate in college orientations, Mathematics enrichment with supplemental instruction, tutoring, study skills, academic advising and personal counseling, cultural fieldtrips, campus tours and support in the areas of financial aid, grant aid, career and educational planning. The FY2009-2010 continuation grant award provided a One-time Grant Aid Supplement.

Funding	Approvals/Certifications
<p><u>Source:</u> U.S. Department of Education, TRIO Programs - Student Support Services</p> <p><u>Account Identification:</u> 350-400-351465-49061</p>	<p>Chancellor _____</p> <p>Academic & Student Affairs _____</p> <p>Business Services _____</p> <p>Human Resources _____ ITS _____</p> <p>Res Dev & Community Affairs _____</p> <p>College President _____</p>