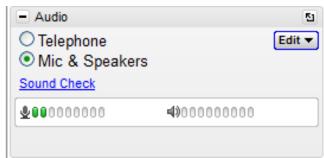
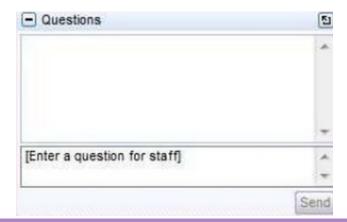
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# Supporting Florida's Undocumented Students

FLORIDA COLLEGE ACCESS NETWORK





# About the Florida College Access Network



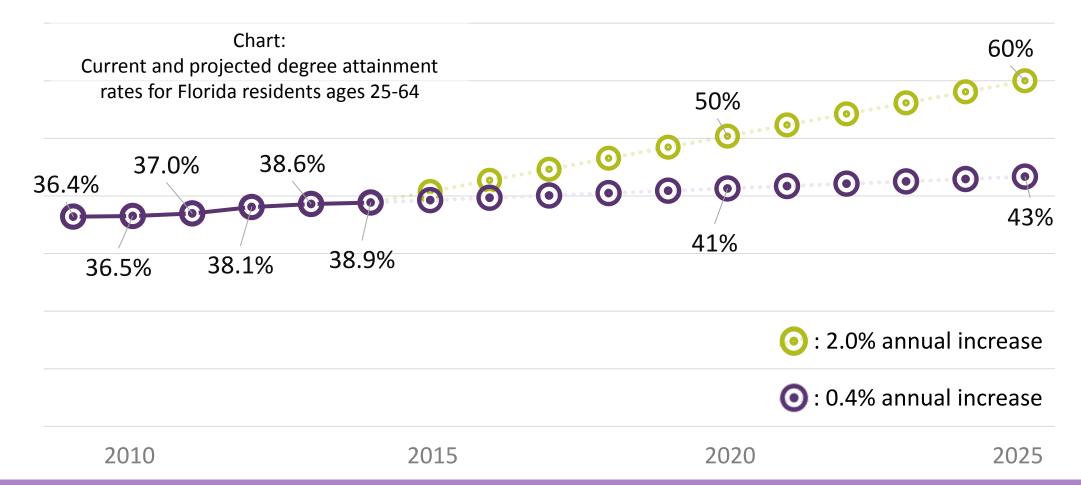
Our Mission: To create and strengthen a statewide network that catalyzes and supports communities to improve college and career readiness, access, and completion for all students.

Our Vision: At least 60% of working-age Floridians will hold a high-quality post-secondary degree or credential by the year 2025.



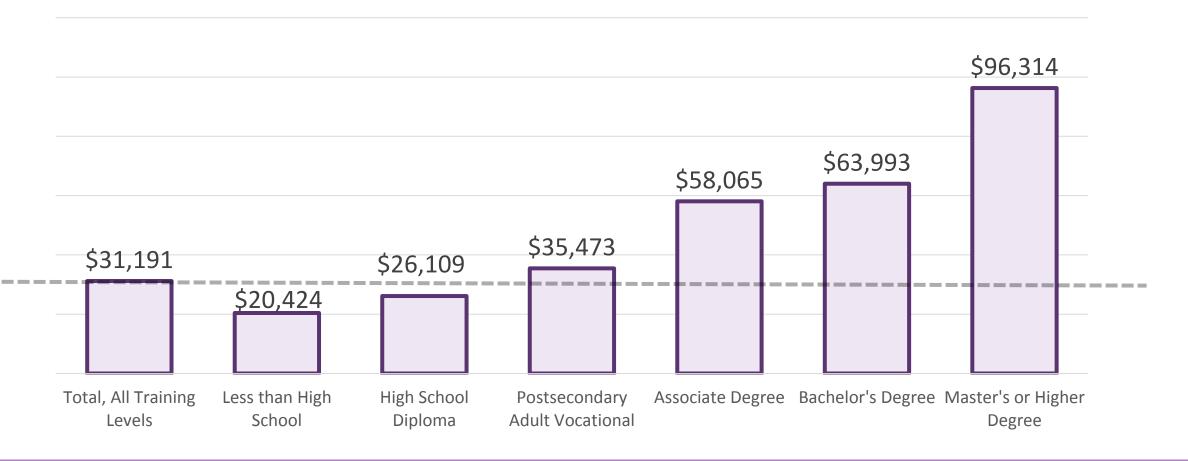
# College Access Network research • communication • advocacy • support

### Where are we now?





## Economic Opportunities through Education



# Covering tuition equity for undocumented students in Florida since 2007



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First tuition equity bill in Florida introduced in 2003

Out-of-state tuition rates over 200% more than in-state tuition rates

"Up to 5,000 undocumented students graduate from Florida's school system each year"





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# HB 851 signed into law in July 2014

### **Eligibility requirements:**

- 1. Attend a Florida secondary school for three consecutive years immediately preceding graduation from Florida school
- 2. Apply to college within 24 months after high school graduation, and
- 3. Submit an official high school transcript
  - 2,475 students used HB 851 waiver during summer 2014, fall 2014 and spring 2015 semesters





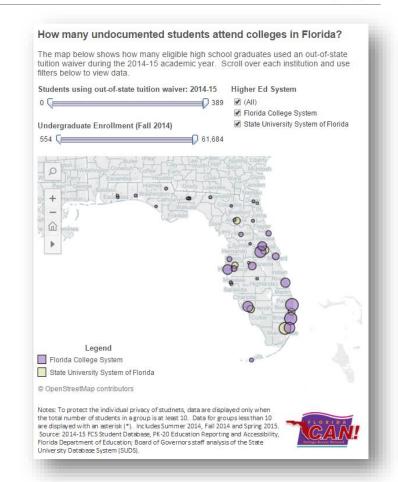
# First year of tuition waiver in place...

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# 2,475 students used HB 851 waiver during summer 2014, fall 2014 and spring 2015 semesters

76.8% of students using waiver attended Florida College System institutions

Colleges where students utilized waiver the most were Palm Beach State College (389), Broward College (370), Florida International University (370), Valencia College (309) and Miami Dade College (243)\*





# Considerations moving forward...

- 1. Simplify the process for using the out-of-state tuition waiver
- 2. Share best practices in recruiting, receiving and retaining undocumented students at Florida higher education institutions
- Look beyond access for Florida's undocumented students
- 4. Increase awareness and provide training for school counselors, advisors, mentors and others on how to support Florida's undocumented students





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### Our Work

- Legal support for undocumented youth with DACA
  - Assisted over 3,000 Immigrant youth with DACA
  - Informed over 10,000 on DACA
- Workshops & information for students and educators
  - Hosted first educator/student conference in Florida



### What is DACA and Why it's Important?

- DACA Requirements
  - Arrive before the age of 16
  - Be under the age of 31 on June 15, 2012
  - Show physical presence from June 15, 2007 current
  - Currently in school or, HS or GED graduate
  - No felony or significant misdemeanor convictions
- Importance of DACA
  - Personal protection from deportation
  - Work and financial opportunities
  - Educational opportunities



### Seeking Legal Help

- How do I seek the right legal help?
  - Make sure to pick a legal professional that focuses on immigration and understands DACA
- Make sure that person is:
  - a licensed immigration attorney or
  - BIA Accredited representative
- Make sure to keep and store away all copies of applications and paperwork
- Where to look for help:
  - http://WeOwnTheDream.org
  - http://FLDream.org



### Resources & Support

- Information websites:
  - E4FC.org
  - UnitedWeDream.org
  - TheDream.US
  - http://www2.ed.gov/about/overview/focus/immigration-resources.html
  - FLDream.org
- Creating Awareness on college campus
  - Presentations
  - Workshops
  - Conferences



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## HB-851 Implementation

- High Schools
- Are teachers/counselors trained?
- Do students know about it?

- Colleges/ Universities
- Do they have a waiver?
- Are they accessible?

## High Schools

# -Identify schools with largest Undocumented Population (Broward only)



PME Priority Highschools (Priority Highschools 23 in total)									
High Schools	ADDRESS	Phone Number	Student Population	Classroom size average	Expected population				
Cypress Bay	18600 Vista Park Blvd., Weston 33332	754-323-0350	4416		White 37.9% Black 3.53% Hispanic 52.0% Asian 4.5% Multi-Racial 1.65%				
Everglades	17100 SW 48th Court, Miramar 33027	754-323-0500	2437		White 8.37% Black 35.9% Hispanic 44.8% Asian 8.12% Multi-Racial 2.29				
Flanagan, Charles W.	12800 Taft St., Pembroke Pines 33028	754-323-0650	2917		White 20% Black 29.8% Hispanic 42.2% Asian 4.49% Multi-Racial 2.84%				
McArthur	6501 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood 33024	754-323-1200	2202		White 16.5% Black 26.7% Hispanic 50.0% Asian 4.08% Multi- Racial 1.72%				
West Broward	500 NW 209th Ave., Pembroke Pines 33029	754-323-2600	2725		White 34% Black 11% Hispanic 47.3% Asian 4.25% Multi-Racial 2.82%				

<sup>\*</sup> After schools are identified we contact teachers/ advisors by email or walk-ins. Email response is very low. Teachers or counselors then decide whatever they think is best to educate students.



## How are Universities implementing HB-851?

University	In-State: Per Credit Hour	Out of State: Per Credit Hour	Where to find waiver	Changes for the waiver
University of Central Florida	Lower \$105.75 upper \$288.16	lower \$641.68 upper \$1,112.56	Admissions Office	No changes.
Universtiy of South Floirda	Lower \$211.19 upper \$431.43	lower \$575.01 upper \$877.17	Admissions Office	No changes.
Florida Atlantic University	\$201.29 PCH	\$719.84 PCH	Undergraduate Admissions Office	No Changes.
Florida Gulf Coast University	203.94 PCH	\$838.73 PCH	Undergraduate Admissions Office	No Changes.
Florida International University	\$203.59 PCH	\$616.89 PCH	One Stop Office	No Changes.
University of North Florida	\$175.50 PCH	\$655.63 PCH	One Stop Office	No Changes
University of West Florida	\$218.98 PCH	\$648.37 PCH	Students Financial Services Office	No Changes
University of Florida	\$129.18 PCH	\$552.62 PCH	Office of the University Registrar	No Changes

The universities mentioned on the left are the ones with a waiver for HB-851 accessible online.

Remember:
Just because the
university has a waiver
doesn't necessarily
means it is accessible.



## How about colleges?

	Colleges	In State: Per Credit Hour:	Out of State: Per Credit Hour:	Where to Find Waiver	Changes for the Waiver
1	Polk State College	\$82.78 PCH	\$248.73 PCH	Student Services	No Changes
2	Florida SouthWestern State College	\$123.70 PCH	\$795.33 PCH	Admissions Office	No Changes.
3	Valencia College	\$99.06 PCH	\$375.22 PCH	Admissions- Residency requirements	They need to provide in-State to students who also applied to a vocational or technical school
4	Miami Dade College	A.A: \$82.78 BAS: 91.79	A.A: \$248.33 BAS: \$357.00		They also need to include those that applied to technical or vocational schools.
5	Broward College	A.A: \$113.50 BAS: \$128.89	AA on campus: \$368.60 BAS: \$587.45		Students need to proof that they applied to a Florida College System. They don't recognized Universities and or technical and vocational schools.
6	Tallahassee Community College	\$100.83 PCH	\$387.27 PCH	Admissions Office	Need to include students that applied to Vocational and Technical schools.

- -There are only 2 Universities with the right language for the waiver.
- 9 others have a waiver online and about 17 were not found to have a waiver online.



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# Our Vision, Mission, and Goal

#### Our Vision – What We Believe

All DREAMers should have the opportunity to realize the American Dream of obtaining a college education and contributing to the prosperity of this nation.

#### Our Mission – Who We Are and What We Do

We provide college scholarships to highly motivated DREAMers who, without financial aid, cannot afford to a college education that will enable them to participate in the American workforce.

We are the "Pell Grant" for DREAMers.

#### Our Goal: A Decade of DREAMer Scholars

To provide college scholarships to enable over 3,500 highly motivated, low-income, DREAMers to graduate with career-ready degrees over the course of the next decade



# Our Approach



"Building the American dream one student at a time."

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College

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Engage national philanthropies and business leaders to support college access for DREAMers

Partner with community organizations to support DREAMer Scholars

Partner with quality colleges that provide affordable, career ready degrees

Provide scholarships to highly motivated DREAMers who cannot otherwise access a college education Advocacy

Community Partners

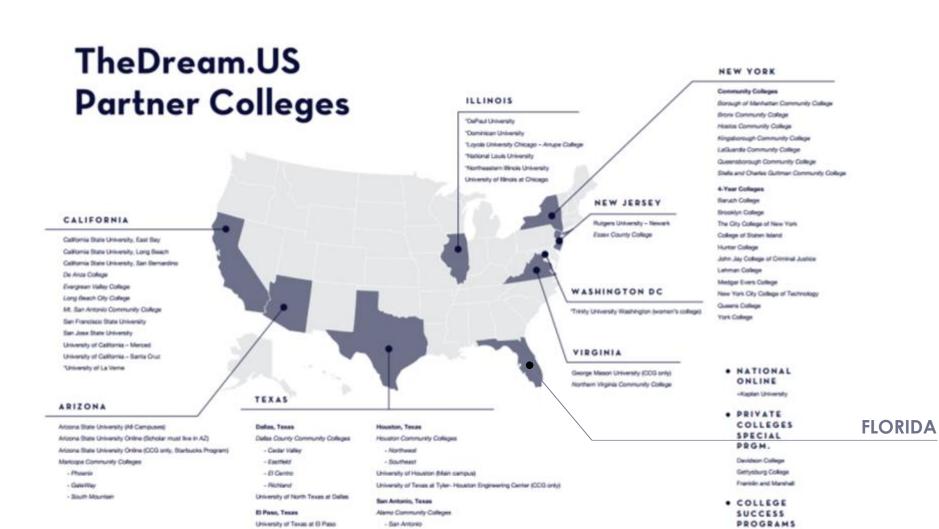
Collegiate Partners

Provide
Access
Through
Scholarships

# Partner College Responsibilities

- ✓Provide an affordable career-ready associate's or bachelor's degree
- ✓Aspire to recruit, admit, and enroll 7-10 Scholars each academic year
- ✓Improve college persistence and completion
  - Dreamer friendly environment
  - Student Advisor
  - Support Services





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College Track

College Match



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# Types of Scholarships

### FIRST TIME COLLEGE STUDENTS

- Associate Degree
   Seeking Scholar
- Bachelor's DegreeSeeking Scholar

### **COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRADUATES**

Bachelor's DegreeSeeking Scholar



# Eligibility for Community College Graduate Scholarship



 Must be DACA / TPS eligible and have applied for or received DACA / TPS approval



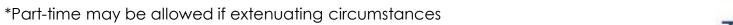
- Community College Graduate with 3.0 GPA or greater
- Not currently enrolled in bachelor degree program



• Be eligible for in-state tuition (if public institution) at Partner College



• Be accepted to and enroll full-time\* at Partner College in 2016-2017 academic year



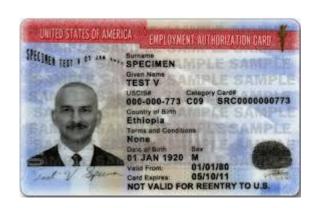
## The Application – Supporting Documents

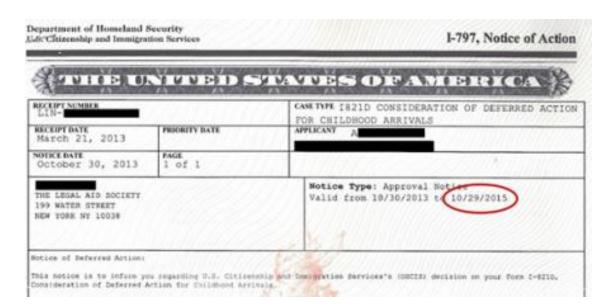
#### Supporting Documents – Uploaded Online

- DACA or TPS reapplication or approval
- Financial Documents (if available)
- Transcripts High School (or GED scores) or Community College



## Acceptable DACA/TPS Documentation











# Selection Criteria

### Significant Financial Need

- Do not have resources to finance an education without substantial financial support
- Must apply for all other available forms of financial aid

#### **Academic Promise**

- Consider GPA and test scores
- PLUS demonstrated a commitment to learning and have clear education and career goals and a plan to achieve them

#### **Determination to Succeed in College and Life**

- Determination and perseverance in the face of challenges
- Ability to set and remain focused on goals and to put in the effort needed to meet those goals in the face of obstacles



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### Dr. Katheryn W. Davis Global Education Center





### A One-Stop Education & Resource Center

- English language programs
- Information sessions (on campus and in the community)
- Civics, leadership, and service learning
- Holistic student support services
- Acculturation thorough workshops and guest speakers
- First-year mentoring
- Partnerships with diverse service providers

# Since 2007, G.E.C. has helped immigrant students:



**Acclimate** to the U.S. culture thru ed/info sessions and referrals to community services

Navigate application, advising, testing, course selection, financial assistance and registration into college courses

Succeed in college, thru part-time scholarships and peer mentoring



## Who does G.E.C. serve?

- First-generation college students
- New immigrants—various ed/skill levels
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
- Multi-generational Immigrant family members

Number of students in database: 2,158

### CENTER'S REGISTRANTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN (N = 2,158) ■ Haiti (327) ■ Colombia (319) Mexico (275) ■ Cuba (109) ■ Peru (104) ■ Venezuela (102) **Guatemala** (88) ■ Honduras (85) ■Jamaica (75) Equador (63) **™** Dominican Rep (36) ■ Brazil (34) ■ Argentina (27) ■ Salvador (26) ■ Puerto Rico (25) ■ Nicaraqua (22) ■ Bolivia (19) ■ Chile (15) ■ Trinidad (13) ■ Uruguay (12) \* From countries with < 5 (170) ■ Not Reported (212) 2%



# Scholar Accomplishments:

**Graduates by Spring 2015: AA degree (64), AS degree (3)** 

College Credit Certificates: Multimedia Arts (4), Web design (1) CSI certificate (1)

Vocational programs: Cosmetology (1). Automotive (1)

**Graduating in < than 2 years: 20** 

**Graduating in 2 or > years: 12** 

ESOL scholars who continued on to work or pursue higher education: 66

Non credit-labor center scholars: Frame carpentry, Solar Panels, Job readiness,

Computer clerk and Cake decorating: 122

Children who attended Summer Youth college: 32



### Other measures of success...

### Average GPA: 3.62 in the fall semester 2014

- 59 Graduates have transferred to a university
- 6 Graduates continued PBSC BAS or Nursing program
- 10 Graduates are working in their field of study
- 32 Scholars are engaged in peer mentoring pairs
- 4,606 Volunteer or mentoring hours completed
- 9,928 Persons served via phone calls, email, postal correspondence, community partner referrals, and outreach to high school college and parent nights or other community events such as health fairs or churches.

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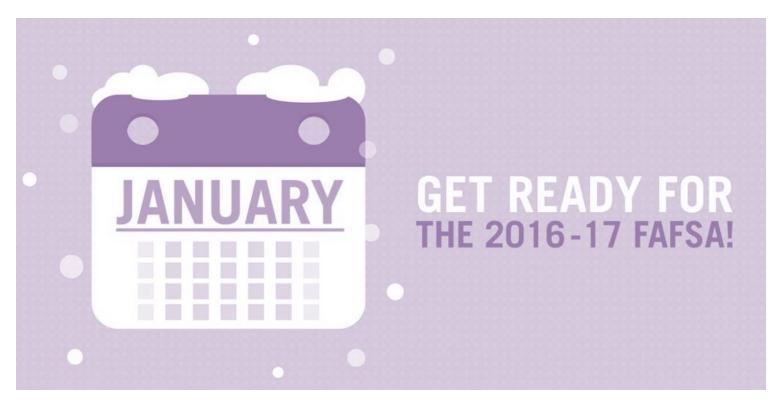
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