No Excuses Poverty Initiative:
Building Systemic Support for Low-Income Students

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Welcome!

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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 postsecondary degree or credential by the year 2025
Local College Access Networks in Florida
FCAN’s Research, Data, & Policy Work

- Produce student-centered research & policy analysis
- Clearinghouse for college and career readiness, access and completion data
- Develop local, state and national partnerships and policy alignment around degree attainment
College Ready Florida
Poverty in College
44.2% of Florida Undergraduates are Low-Income¹

These students enroll in college at rates 10.9% lower than their non-low-income peers.²

Source: 1. TICAS College InSight 2015-16
2. FL Dept. of Education
**Good News:** Florida Outperforms the Nation in On-Time Pell Grant Recipient Graduation

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<td>Pell grant recipient 6-year graduation rate</td>
<td>57%</td>
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<td>Graduation gap between non-Pell and Pell recipients</td>
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*Source:* The Third Way Report – The Pell Divide
National Study Looked at Hunger and Homelessness in College:

Findings:

• 2/3 of community college students were food insecure

• About ½ of community college students are housing insecure

• 13-14% were homeless
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70% completion 2020
“As population with college degrees increases by 10%, per capita gross product Rises by 22%.”

Edward Glaeser, Triumph of the City (2011)
Communities need Community Colleges differently now.
our student

- 71% First-Generation
- 60% Part-Time
- 54% Minority
- 65% Female
- 60% Financial Aid
- 67% Designated Developmental Education
- 21% Enrolled in Developmental Education
- 51% Transfer-Focus
focus on poverty
What do our students need? really, really need?
Top 10 Student Barriers

- Career & Employment Services
- Childcare
- Counseling
- Financial Literacy
- Food
- Housing
- Legal Services
- School Needs (Tuition, Books)
- Transportation
- Utility Assistance
AC Student Basic Needs Insecurities

72% AC students have one basic needs insecurity

8% AC students have all 3 basic needs insecurities

54% AC students have food insecurity

59% AC students have housing insecurity

11% AC students have experienced homelessness in the last 12 months

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When you love the student you have ....
theory of change
culture of caring
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Create a Culture of Caring Across the Campus

Accelerated Learning Systems
   Academic & Non-Academic

Data Analytics & Predictive Modeling

Eradicate Student Poverty Barriers

Reform Developmental Education & General Education
   Mandatory Tutoring
   Accelerated Pathways to College Readiness

Communities/Career Pathways
   8-Week Courses
   Scheduling for Student Success

AC Foundation: Emergency Aid
   Academic & Career Advising

ARC: Food Pantry & Clothing Closet
   Connect to Campus Resources

ARC: Social Services
   Connect to Community Resources

AC Counseling Center & AC Legal Aid Clinic
   Connect to Community Resources

AC Career & Employment Center

poverty certification
focus on actionable data
build YOUR arc
**ARC Usage**

- **226%**: Increase in students using ARC
- **222%**: Increase in students visits to ARC
- **412%**: Increase in students needing social services assistance
- **192%**: Increase in students receiving Adult Student Program assistance
- **192%**: Increase in food pantry usage
- **124%**: Increase in clothing closet usage

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70% completion 2020
emergency aid in ACTION
it works ...
Data Results (2012 – 2017)

INCREASE

13% Developmental Education
11% Gateway
12% FA to FA Retention
12% 3-Year Graduation Rate
5% Transfer
22% 3-Year Completion Rate
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