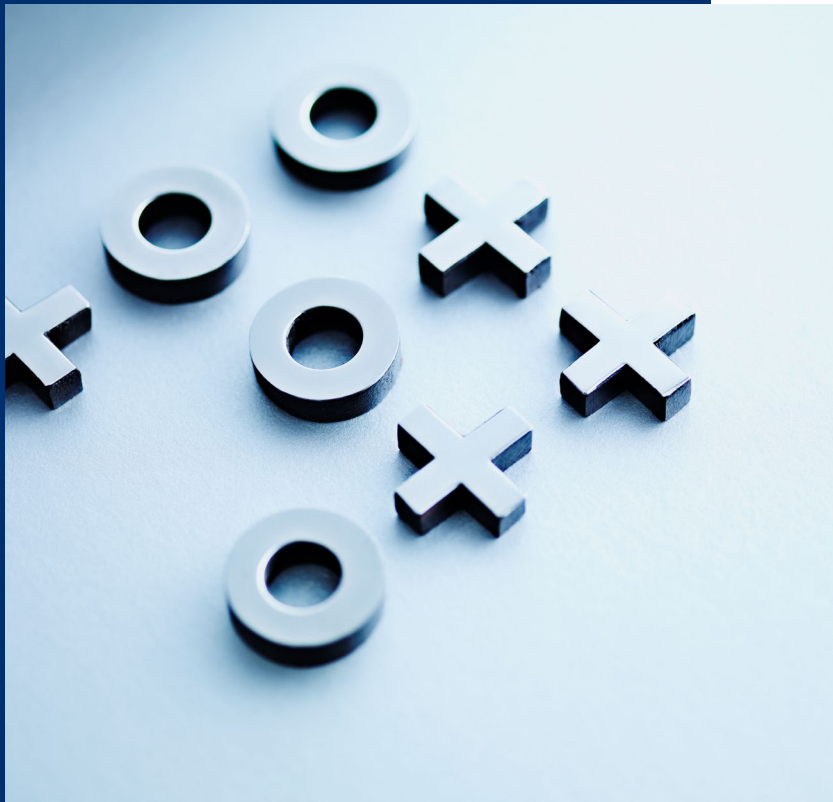# California Community Colleges

ZTC Degree Grant Program's New Phases

Acceleration II, Impact and OER Expansion Grants

April 25, 2024

Agenda:

- ZTC program to date

- New ZTC Grant Phases

- Upcoming ZTC news

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ZTC Degree Grant Program: General Overview

California Code, Education Code - EDC § 78052

(1) Develop and implement one or more of the following program pathways:

(A) An existing associate degree or career technical education certificate program, prioritizing existing associate degrees for transfer.

(B) A new associate degree or career technical education certificate program that meets one of the following conditions:

(i) Has a high value in the regional market.

(ii) Meets an emerging regional business industry need.

(iii) Has high textbook costs.

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ZTC Degree Grant Program: Duplication Issue

California Code, Education Code - EDC § 78052

(c) Of the funding appropriated in the annual Budget Act to develop and implement degrees, the chancellor shall distribute grants of up to two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) to a community college district for each degree developed and implemented within the district that contributes to the overall elimination, or significant lowering, of textbook costs for students and aligns with the conditions for receipt of funds specified in subdivision

(d). The chancellor's office shall ensure that a grant does not result in the development or implementation of duplicate degrees for a subject matter to avoid duplication of effort and ensure the development and implementation of the greatest number of degrees for the benefit of the greatest number of students.

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ZTC Grant Phases To Date

- July 2022, 115 colleges received a $20,000 in **Planning Grant** to begin preparation to develop and implement a ZTC program pathway.

- March 2023, 115 colleges received $180,000 in additional funds called the **Implementation Grant** to do the work of developing and implementing at least one ZTC program pathway at their institution.

- August 2023, the NOVA application opened for the ZTC **Acceleration Grant** which provided funding of up to $200K for each additional degree or CTE Certificate of Achievement developed and implemented.

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ZTC Grants Allocations and New ZTC Pathways Created

- $2,300,000 allocated in **Planning Grant** funds to 115 colleges.

- $20,700,000 allocated in **Implementation Grant** funds that generated 138 ZTC program pathways across 115 colleges.

- $22,185672 allocated in **Acceleration Grant** funds that generated 306 ZTC program pathways at 84 colleges.
  - *Collaboration Cohorts made this possible!*

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The Acceleration II Grant

- $200,000 capped per eligible program, not per college

- Academic program pathways that are unique to a college or region and that have not been awarded in prior phases

- Non-duplicative academic program pathways to make the program more accessible to a larger number of students

- Priority to colleges that did not submit an original Acceleration Grant program plan

- NOVA program plan will be open on April 29 and remain open until December 16
  - Colleges are not required to submit immediately; approvals will be on a rolling basis upon review

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ZTC Impact Grant

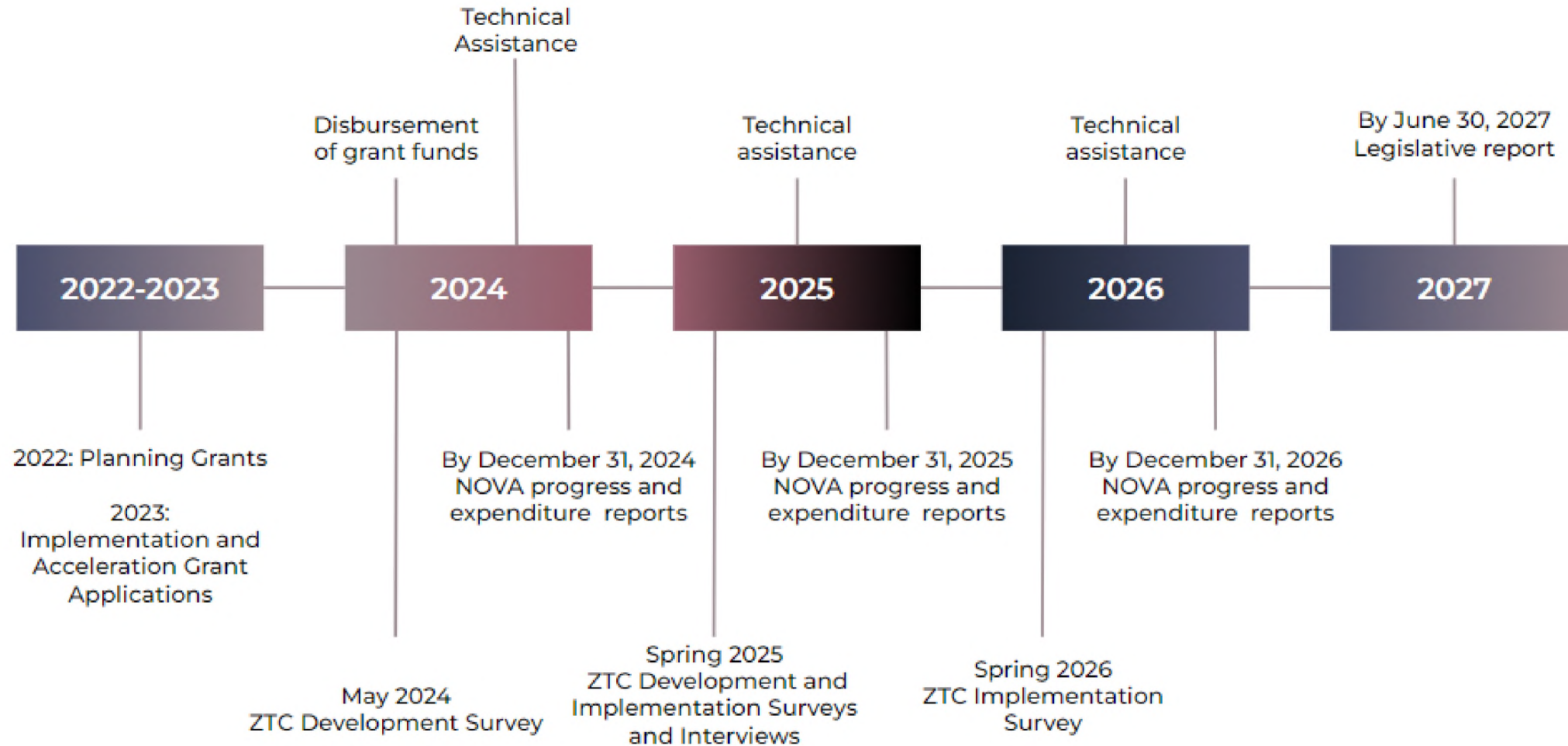
- $200,000 capped per eligible program, not per college

- Supports development and implementation of high impact programs that benefit large numbers of students at the institution

- Specific to subject matter areas that are high potential to be duplicative and are currently associated with Collaboration Cohorts

- Impact Grant program plans must leverage the efforts and materials from the ZTC Acceleration Grant's Coordination Cohorts
  - Use resources or provide explanation for differentiation from these resources to demonstrate non-duplication of effort

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ZTC Open Educational Resource (OER) Expansion Grant

- $20,000 capped per eligible course, not per program or college

- Courses must be specially converted to OER to meet ZTC requirements

- New proposed courses must apply to a ZTC pathway, but the course cannot have been funded in an associated Implementation or Acceleration Grant award

- Useful option for developing additional GE courses for students to complete their program of study in an expedited manner

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ZTC Degree Program Grant Timeline

Technical Assistance

Disbursement of grant funds

Technical assistance

Technical assistance

By June 30, 2027 Legislative report

2022-2023 — **2024** — **2025** — **2026** — **2027**

2022: Planning Grants

2023: Implementation and Acceleration Grant Applications

By December 31, 2024 NOVA progress and expenditure reports

By December 31, 2025 NOVA progress and expenditure reports

By December 31, 2026 NOVA progress and expenditure reports

May 2024 ZTC Development Survey

Spring 2025 ZTC Development and Implementation Surveys and Interviews

Spring 2026 ZTC Implementation Survey

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Additional Support and Resources for Colleges

- [ZTC Summit](#) on May 3rd at College of the Canyons

- [ZTC Data Reporting Session](#) on May 8th

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