

Tacoma Community College

# Workforce Grants & Application Workshop

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Virtual Lobby- Tuesday & Thursday 1pm-3pm

Link to Zoom: [https://tacomacc-  
edu.zoom.us/j/94203576830](https://tacomacc-edu.zoom.us/j/94203576830)



# Today's Agenda

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- Go over PowerPoint presentation to learn about Workforce programs

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- Complete and Submit the online Workforce Intake Application

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- Review the Workforce Student Checklist

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- Answer questions

# Meet Our Team



Tamara Piñero, Office Manager



Jena McNeley, Financial Aid Specialist



Tram Nguyen, Program Specialist



Shine Lee, Administrative Assistant

# Meet Our Navigators



**Adam Meyers- Business, Paralegal,  
Technology Pathways**  
Accounting, Business, Networking and  
Cyber Security, Paralegal, VIE 25,  
Medical Billing, HIT



**Angie Christoph- Education & Human  
Services Pathways**  
Early Childhood Education, Human Services,  
Chemical Dependency



**Lorrie Ann**  
Resource & Outreach Navigator



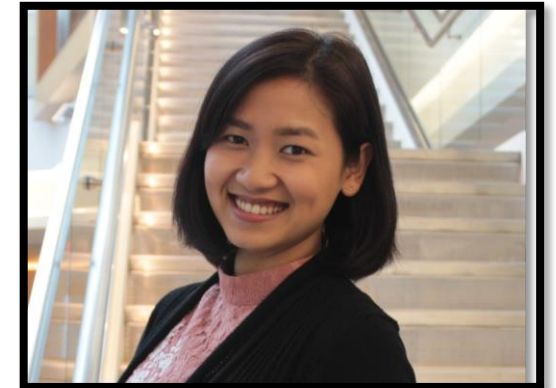
**Tuyen Huynh- Specific Academic  
Transfer & Transitional Studies**  
(ABE, ELA, HS+, Fresh Start, IBEST,  
CCPA)



**Dail Rodriguez- Healthcare Pathways  
(Students last name A- K )**  
Allied Health, Nursing, Respiratory  
Therapy, Radiologic Science, DMS,  
EMT, EMS



**Chanry Yann- Healthcare Pathways  
(Students last name L- Z )**  
Allied Health, Nursing, Respiratory  
Therapy, Radiologic Science, DMS,  
EMT, EMS



**Pwint KoKo- Bachelor Programs**

# What are the Workforce Education Grants?

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WorkFirst

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Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET)

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Worker Retraining

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Opportunity Grant

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Early Achievers Grant

# WorkFirst Eligibility Requirements

Must Be a Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) Recipient

Must Be Referred from a Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Case Manager

Attendance Must Be Reported Weekly Through Canvas

**Workfirst can assist with Professional- Technical Degrees, Certificates, and Academic Transfer Programs!**

# Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Eligibility Requirements



Must be Receiving Supplemental  
Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)



CANNOT BE RECEIVING TANF



MONTHLY CHECK-INS WITH YOUR  
WORKFORCE NAVIGATOR IN CANVAS  
ARE REQUIRED

**BFET can assist with Professional- Technical Degrees, Certificates, and specific Academic Transfer Programs!**

# Worker Retraining Eligibility Requirements

Currently Collecting Unemployment

Collected Unemployment in the Last 4 Years

Discharged from Military Service in the Last 4 Years

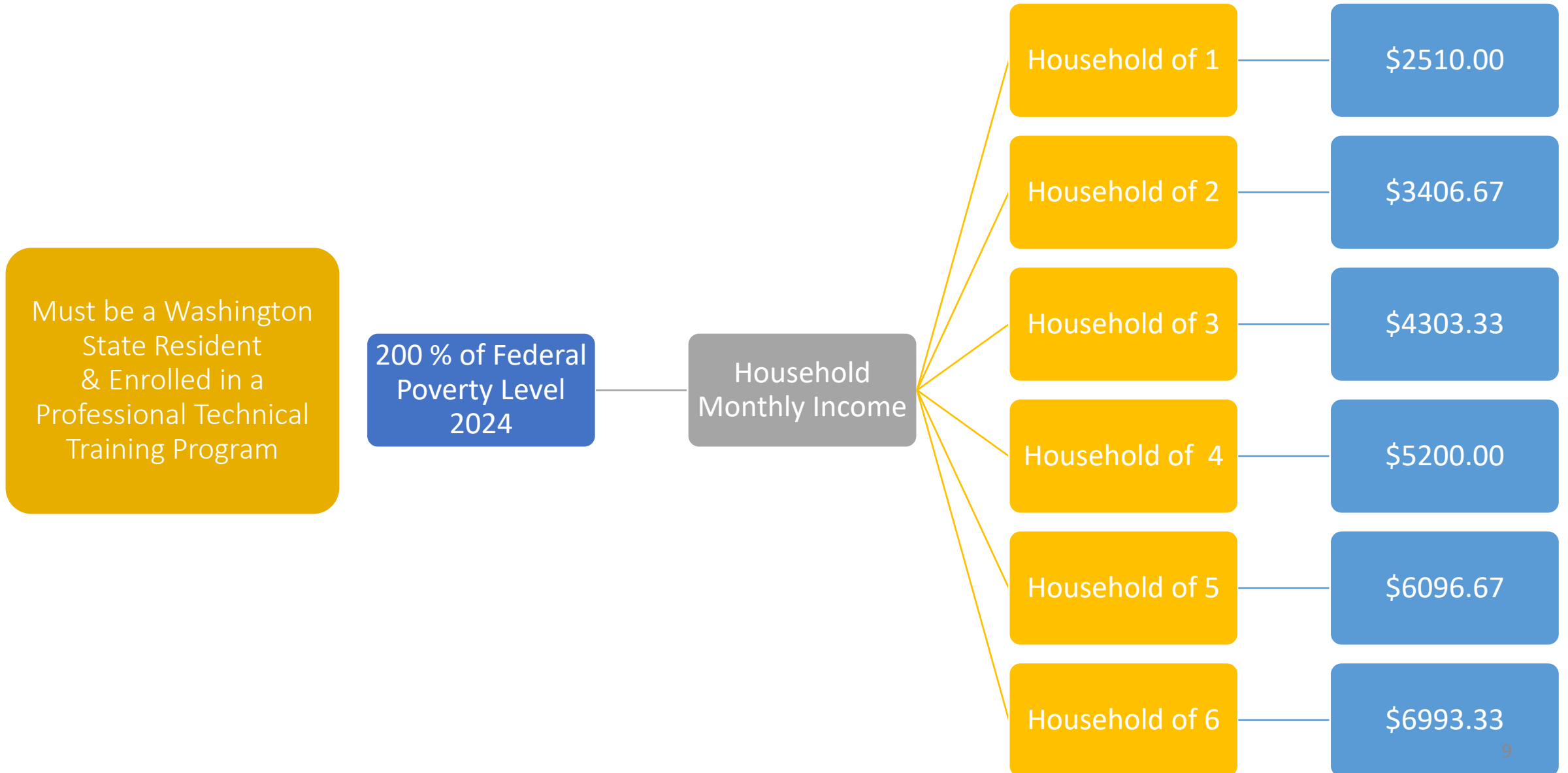
Closed a State-licensed Business within the Last 4 Years

Became a Displaced Homemaker in the Last 4 Years and are Low-Income

Worker in Need of Skills Upgrade



# Opportunity Grant Eligibility Requirements



# Early Achievers Grant Eligibility Requirements

State Grant for Early Childhood Education Students Who Are:

Working in a Daycare or Pre-school that is Early Achiever Certified

Worked at the Daycare or Preschool for the Last 3 Months

Worked at the Daycare or Preschool for the Last 3 Months for at least 40 Hours per Month

Significant Documentation and Monthly Contact with Workforce Navigator is Required

# What Do Workforce Funds Cover?



**Grants are Designed for Start-up & Fill in the Gap only,  
Funding Determined Quarterly**



**Tuition**



**Fees**



**Book**

# Workforce Education Funding

- **Purpose of Grants:** Workforce Education Grants are not intended to cover the entire cost of a degree. They are designed to provide start-up and fill-in-gap assistance for specific needs related to education and training.
- **Case-by-Case Basis:** Funding assistance for tuition and required textbooks is provided on a case-by-case basis, contingent upon the availability of funds and the identification of a funding gap. This emphasizes that not all students may receive this assistance.
- **Quarterly Determination:** The allocation of funds for subsequent quarters is not guaranteed. Each quarter's funding is assessed independently, and students should not assume ongoing support beyond the current quarter.
- **Request for Funding:** To be considered for workforce funding, students must request funding for each quarter. This ensures that students actively communicate their needs and allows for a more flexible approach to disbursement.

# Any questions?



# Programs of Study Supported by Workforce Education

<https://www.tacomacc.edu/help/ineedskillstofindaprofessionalcareer>



## **Business, Paralegal, Technology Pathways**

- Accounting, 5 certificates and AAS
- Business, 6 certificates and AAS
- Network and Cyber Security, AAS; Help Desk & Technical Support certificates
- Paralegal, AAS and Preferred Pro-cert



## **Healthcare Pathways**

- Allied Health, AAS-T
- Nursing, RN, AAS-T; LPN to RN; NAC
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography, AAS
- Radiologic Science, AAS
- Respiratory Therapy, AAS
- Emergency Medical & Health Services, AAS; EMT and Paramedic certificates
- Health Information Technology, AAS; Medical Billing Specialist & Medical Scribe Certificates



## **Education & Human Services Pathways**

- Early Childhood Education, 3 stackable certificates and AAS
- Human Services, AAS ; CDC certificate and Case Aid cert



**BFET and WorkFirst Grants are also available to help with specific academic transfer programs such as Business DTA, Computer Science, Biology, and more. More programs can be found at <https://www.tacomacc.edu/help/transfertocollege>**

# Attend a Business, Paralegal, & Technology Information Session to learn more about programs!

[www.tacomacc.edu/bus-para-tech](http://www.tacomacc.edu/bus-para-tech)



Scan to join  
zoom and  
save link

Pathway Specialist Flyer.png

**BUSINESS  
PARALEGAL &  
TECHNOLOGY**

## **PATHWAY SPECIALISTS**

DrewMckay Tripp & Kelia Cady

**What do we do?**

- Answer Program Questions
- Career/Internship Resources
- Create events for BPT Students
- Direct to Campus Resources
- Direct to Funding Resources

**COME VISIT!**

Building 16 Room 312  
**8 am- 4:00 pm**

**CAN'T VISIT? CONTACT ACCORDINGLY:**

- BusPrograms@tacomacc.edu
- ISPrograms@tacomacc.edu
- Accounting@tacomacc.edu
- PLST@tacomacc.edu
- HealthTechPrograms@tacomacc.edu

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COLLEGE**

DrewMckay Tripp

# Attend a Healthcare Pathways Information Session to learn more about programs!

**Virtual Option** - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 3:30PM ([link to join](#))

**In-Person Option** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 11:30AM; Tacoma Campus, location varies on date

## Any Other Questions?

Contact us to help you navigate your pathway to a career in Healthcare.

Email: [healthprograms@tacomacc.edu](mailto:healthprograms@tacomacc.edu)

Phone: (253) 460 2368

[www.tacomacc.edu/healthcareers](http://www.tacomacc.edu/healthcareers)



The poster features a large background image of a modern university building with a green lawn and cherry blossom trees. Two circular inset images show a pharmacy shelf and a healthcare professional attending to a patient in a hospital bed. The text is arranged in a clean, professional layout with blue and white colors.

## HEALTHCARE PATHWAYS INFORMATION SESSIONS

**Join Us**

Do you want to know more about our health programs at TCC? Would you benefit from expert insight into this pathway? If the answer is yes, then this information session is for you! Attend to hear a high-level overview of all the healthcare programs offered at TCC!

**Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday**

**Sign Up Here!**

Virtual Option on the 1st Wednesday at 3:30pm

In-person option on the 3rd Wednesday at 11:30am location varies on date



## Workforce Education also Supports

### Basic Education for Adults and ELA

<https://www.tacomacc.edu/academics-programs/basic-education/>

High School  
Completion  
Programs

Adult Basic  
Education Classes

English Language  
Acquisition

Career and College  
Pathway Academy

# Financial Aid

## FAFSA

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

All Workforce Students Must Complete The Free Application for Federal Student Aid Each Year

## FAFSA Tips

Complete Application By Priority Deadline, or as Soon as Possible

FAFSA completion is based off of completion of FAFSA, application to TCC, and all requested documents being submitted.

Make sure you have a profile created for yourself and spouse if you are married.

## Helpful Hints

Check Out Important Information About Financial Aid at TCC Website

Self- enrollment in Financial Aid and Planning Canvas is essential for success, you can self-enroll from the [TCC Financial Aid Page](#)

Check Your Student Email and CTCLink, "To Do" Box Closely Follow-up with any Additional Needed Actions

## Be Aware

Avoiding Loans Can Be the Key to Success

Ask Your Navigator About Financial Literacy Community Resources

# Working While Attending School

## Options to Consider

- Request for Federal or State Work Study from the Financial Aid Office, then apply for a Workstudy Position
- Recommend to check the Box on Your FAFSA about Workstudy
- Look for Part-time Work in Your Field of Study if Possible

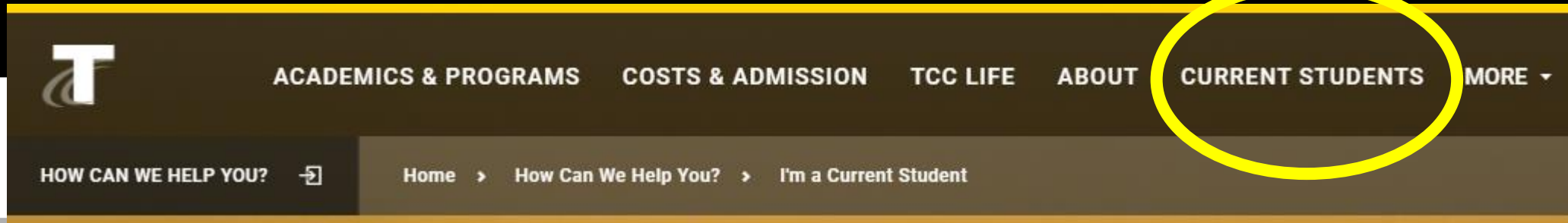
## Employment Resources

- TCC career center ( [https://www.tacomacc.edu/tcc-life/career\\_center](https://www.tacomacc.edu/tcc-life/career_center) )
- Worksource Pierce ( <https://worksource-pierce.org/> )

# Student Services

TCC Makes a Commitment to Every Student that No Matter Where You Start or What You Hope to Achieve, We Will Educate and Support You, and Provide You with Opportunities to Help Meet Your Goals

<https://www.tacomacc.edu/help/im-a-current-student>



## TCC Help Center Website

- Academic Advising
  - Counseling
  - Food Pantry
- Technical Assistance
  - Laptops
  - Hot Spots
- Access Services Support for Those Needing Accommodations
- Tutoring virtual and In-Person
  - Workforce Navigators

Putting together the puzzle pieces to meet all of your needs to achieve your goal!

Learn about campus, community and government resources, receive guidance with applying for food and health benefits, get direct referral to community programs.

Contact:

Lorrie Ann, Resource Navigator

253-566-5247

[lann@tacomacc.edu](mailto:lann@tacomacc.edu)

[Click here to schedule an appointment with me](#)

Visit Resources Page

[www.tacomacc.edu/workforce/resources](http://www.tacomacc.edu/workforce/resources)

# Time to Begin Your Workforce Intake Application & Checklist



[Click Here To Complete The Workforce Intake Application](#)

Contact The Workforce Education Department If You Need any Assistance

 253.566.5188 Email: [tccworkforce@tacomacc.edu](mailto:tccworkforce@tacomacc.edu)

[www.tacomacc.edu/workforce](http://www.tacomacc.edu/workforce)

**Note: Please be aware that the Workforce Education Grants are not designed to pay for entire degrees. Students who are eligible for Workforce Education Grants may get first-quarter funding assistance to cover tuition and/or required textbooks on a case-by-case basis if funds are available and a gap in funding is identified. Funding for subsequent quarters is determined on a quarter-by-quarter basis and is not guaranteed. If you would like to be considered for the Workforce funding you must request funding every quarter.**