



FY 2020 Recommended Budget Budget Question

Board Question #: 20

BUDGET QUESTION: Why is Spotsylvania County being asked to provide capital funding to Germanna for the new Allied Health Campus to be constructed in Orange County?

RESPONDING DEPARTMENT/OFFICE: County Administration

RESPONSE: Please see the message below received from Dr. John Davis, Vice President of Administrative Services, Germanna Community College:

Mr. Taylor,

As a follow-up to Germanna Community College's (GCC) recent funding request of Spotsylvania County, I would like to provide some additional information specifically regarding the request for construction funds. As with other publicly-funded construction projects, those undertaken by the Virginia Community College System (VCCS) are expensive and sometimes complicated endeavors. Per VCCS policy, in order for capital outlay projects, such as the new Allied Health Campus, to move forward, colleges are required to solicit non-general fund revenue for all construction related costs beyond five feet from the actual building (see Policy 10.0.1.3 a.—attached). Additionally, colleges are required to demonstrate the availability of local funds to complete the capital project (see sections g. and h.).

It should be noted that, in addition to the requests made to our respective localities, Germanna is also aggressively soliciting support from individual and corporate donor bases to enhance this project's needed funding stream. GCC's desire is to build a state-of-the-art Allied Health Campus in Locust Grove which, in turn, will enable us to meet the critical need for healthcare workers in our region. Funding from localities will not only assist us with complying with VCCS policy in moving forward with construction but also provide us with the ability to appropriately furnish our new building with the most modern technological equipment in allied health education. As you are likely aware, such equipment is quite expensive. For example, a six-bed hospital simulation laboratory equipped with high-fidelity mannequins and other current technology can exceed \$400,000.

GCC prides itself on being the preferred higher education provider for residents of Spotsylvania County. As of Fall 2018, GCC enrolled the largest share of Spotsylvania residents (31%) attending higher education institutions in Virginia (see table below). GCC is most grateful for the assistance provided by Spotsylvania County in the past and looks forward to serving its residents in the future. Should you be in need of additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

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Colleges Attended by Residents in the Germanna Service Region			
Fall 2018 Headcount			
Spotsylvania County			
Location	College	Enrolled	Pct
Spotsylvania County	Averett College	9	0
	Blue Ridge Community College	4	0
	Bluefield College	11	0
	Bridgewater College	27	1
	CHRV - College of Health Sciences	5	0
	Christopher Newport University	115	2
	College of William and Mary	71	1
	Eastern Mennonite University	9	0
	Emory and Henry College	7	0
	Ferrum College	12	0
	George Mason University	243	5
	Germanna Community College	1608	31
	Hampden-Sydney College	6	0
	Hampton University	7	0
	Hollins College	5	0
	J. Sargeant Reynolds Community Coll	34	1
	James Madison University	244	5
	John Tyler Community College	12	0
	Liberty University	333	6
	Longwood College	70	1
	Lord Fairfax Community College	5	0
	Lynchburg College	26	0
	Mary Baldwin College	10	0
	Mary Washington College	534	10
	Marymount University	6	0
	New River Community College	4	0
	Norfolk State University	15	0
	Northern Virginia Community College	135	3
	Old Dominion University	276	5
	Other	14	0
	Piedmont Virginia Community College	9	0
Radford University	92	2	
Randolph-Macon College	38	1	
Randolph-Macon Womens College	7	0	
Rappahannock Community College	5	0	
Regent University	18	0	
Richard Bland College	65	1	
Roanoke College	9	0	

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Shenandoah University	50	1
Thomas Nelson Community College	4	0
Tidewater Community College	8	0
University of Richmond	7	0
University of Virginia	154	3
University of Virginia College at W	17	0
Unknown	15	0
Virginia Commonwealth University	542	10
Virginia Military Institute	16	0
Virginia Polytechnic Institute	276	5
Virginia State University	12	0
Washington and Lee University	5	0
Spotsylvania County	5206	100

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ESTIMATE OF STAFF TIME SPENT ON RESPONSE: 5 minutes, as the answer was obtained from staff at Germanna.

P10.0.1.3 General Policies for Funding, Construction, and Maintenance of Site Development and Parking and Other Non-general Fund Projects

- a. Expenditures for land acquisition, site preparation beyond five feet from a building, and the construction of additional outdoor lighting, sidewalks, outdoor athletic and recreational facilities, and parking lots in the Virginia Community College System shall be made only from appropriated federal funds, Trust and Agency funds, including local government allocations or appropriations, or the proceeds of indebtedness authorized by the General Assembly.
- b. Unless expressly and specifically permitted otherwise by the State Board, funding for the construction of a new workforce center shall include at least \$1,000,000 in additional non-general funds for the construction of this building. Funding requirements for site costs identified in the subsection (a) immediately above apply to workforce centers as well.
- c. According to state policy Auxiliary Enterprise projects, must be constructed, operated, and maintained with non-state funds. This includes, without limitation, projects for food and/or beverage service,, parking, bookstore, student housing, athletics facilities, day care centers and student center facilities.
- d. On-site parking is to be operated as an Auxiliary Enterprise in accordance with Section 4.3.1.5 of the VCCS Policy Manual.
- e. Expenditures for maintenance, replacement, and repair of outdoor lighting, sidewalks, and other infrastructure facilities may be made from any appropriated funds. Auxiliary enterprise funds may be used for site improvements other than for construction and maintenance of parking facilities when approved by the college board and the State Board (see Section 4.3.1.5 of the VCCS Policy Manual).
- f. Expenditures for operations, maintenance, and repair of Auxiliary Enterprise should be from nongeneral funds. However, this condition shall not apply to any indoor recreational facility existing as of July 1, 1988.
- g. Prior to the award of a capital project design contract, the college must demonstrate the availability of the local funds required to complete the Capital Project in the VCCS Local Commitment letter. The college president or designee and the chairman of the college board must certify this requirement to the VCCS Chancellor.
- h. Prior to the awarding of a contract to initiate planning, design or construction phase services, or modifications to an existing contract that is funded in whole or in part from non-general funds (trust & agency/local/private gifts/auxiliary) pursuant to the requirements of this

Section, such non-general funds required for each phase must be on deposit either in the State Treasury or in local college accounts under the control of the local college board as authorized by the State Board . The college must maintain all non-general funds held locally in dedicated local departments that clearly identify the project in the VCCS Administrative Information System. The VCCS will not execute contracts or process invoices requiring non-general funds until the college demonstrates sufficient cash is on hand per the requirements above.

- i. An exception to these requirements may be made for non-general funds committed to the college under written contract with a college foundation, local and federal governments, or other private donor if the balance of the funds is held in a legally escrowed, separately identified account for the named project. The arrangement must be pre-approved by the Chancellor and appropriate documentation provided to validate the availability of funds. Funds held under escrow must still be transferred to the college and reflected in accordance with the requirements above prior to having a related invoice processed. In cases of funding from localities with regard to site development, exceptions to this policy may be granted by the Chancellor.
- j. On-site campus roads shall be designed to meet requirements of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). Approval of plans should be secured in writing from the Resident Engineer to allow acceptance of the road into the State Highway System for maintenance purposes in accordance with the Code of Virginia. When on-site campus roads do not connect with State maintained highways, but into city streets, it is desired that the VDOT or appropriate locality remains responsible for the on-site road maintenance. The VDOT may arrange to have such maintenance performed by the city.