

# No Excuses Amarillo College

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“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.





love the student  
you have ....



**our** student



**71% First-Generation**

**55% Part-Time**

**55% Minority**

**65% Female**

**54% Financial Aid**

**52% Transfer-Focus**

# What do our **students** need?

really, **really** need?

# focus on poverty

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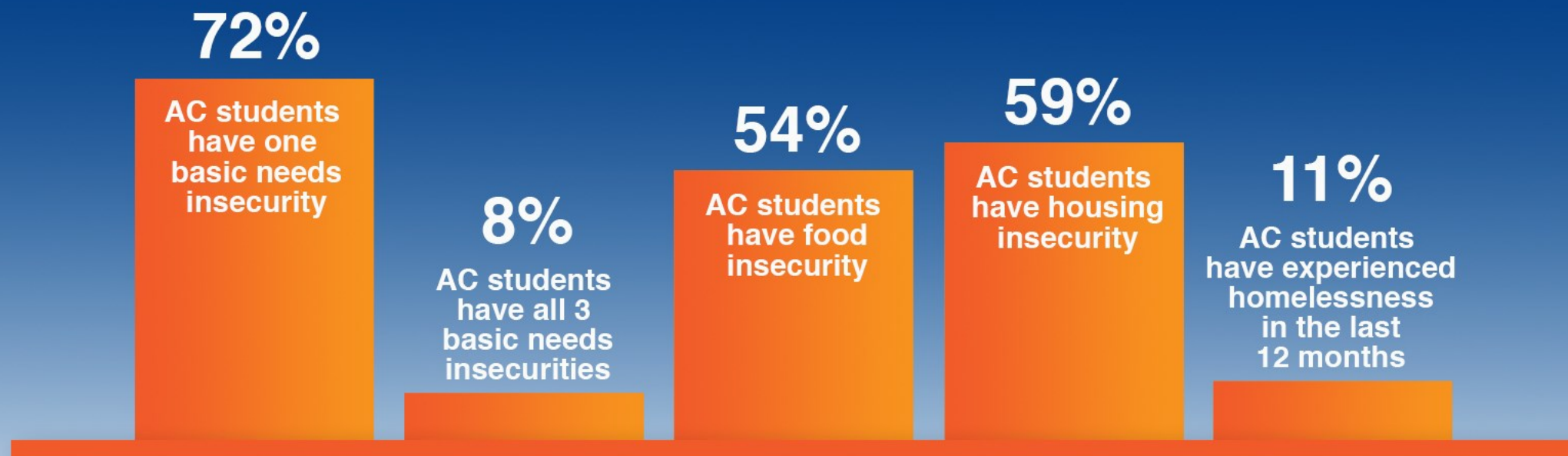
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# Top 10 Student Barriers

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



# AC Student Basic Needs Insecurities



# theory of change

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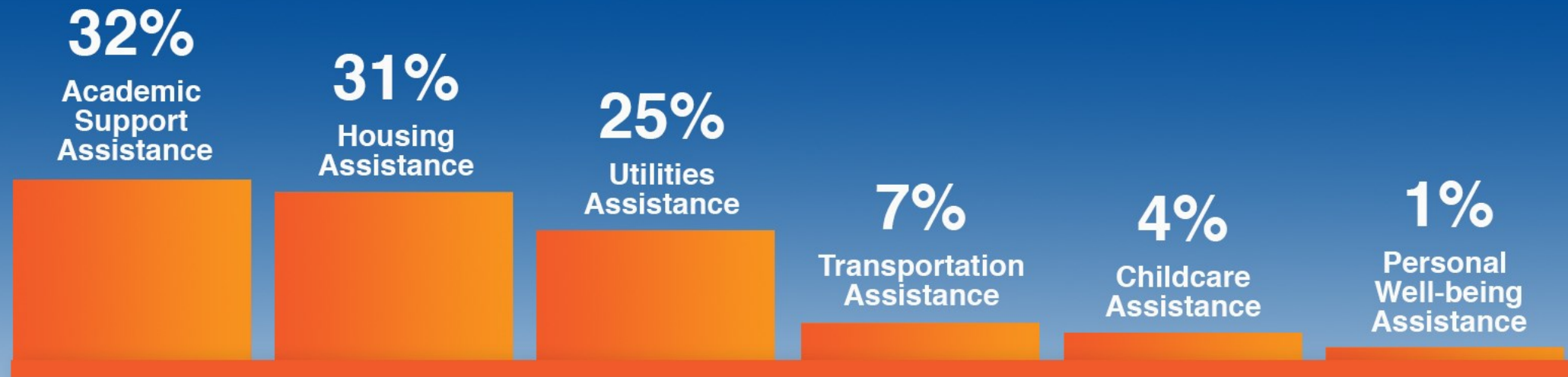
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# culture of caring

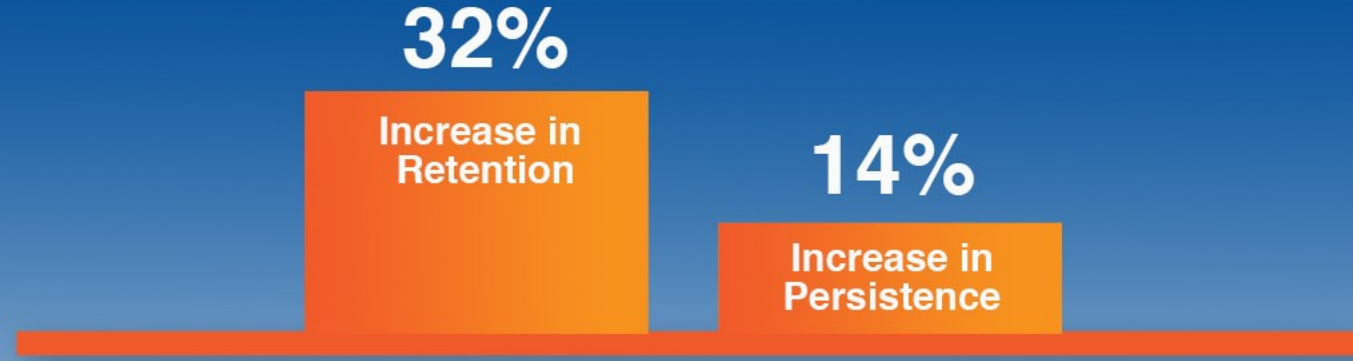
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# AC Foundation No Excuses Fund



# No Excuses Fund with ARC Support





it works ...

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