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# SSAP 2.0 HELPS YOU BUILD A TALENT STRONG TEXAS:

UPLIFTING TEXAS STUDENTS TO **ACHIEVE** POSTSECONDARY  
CREDENTIALS FOR WORKFORCE SUCCESS

## Student Success Acceleration Program (SSAP 2.0)

# PURPOSE

**The goal of the SSAP 2.0 Grants is to support students' persistence and completion of credentials of value leading to successful career and labor market outcomes in Texas.**



**2022:**  
Student Success Planning  
Grants



**2023:**  
Student Success Acceleration  
Program (SSAP) Implementation  
Grants



**2024:**  
Student Success Acceleration  
Program (SSAP) 2.0

# SSAP 2.0 History

## Student Success Acceleration Program (SSAP 2.0)

# ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Texas public institutions or systems of higher education
- Three (3) or more eligible institutions may apply as a consortia
  - *(Sec 3.4 RFA correction: one applicant with three (3) or more additional applicants are allowed to apply.)*

# ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

- Applications submitted under this RFA shall focus on student success programs in at least one of the following Program Areas of an identified target student population:
  - Academic Supports
  - Advising
  - Basic Needs/Wrap-Around Services
  - Finances/Cost
  - Mental Health and Wellness
  - Some College, No Credential Reengagement
  - Underserved Populations, including First Generation and Economically Disadvantaged Student Initiatives

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# FUNDING INFORMATION



**NUMBER OF AWARDS:**  
Approximately 30



**UP TO \$6 MILLION DISTRIBUTED:**

- \$150,000 Initial Award
- Up to \$100,000 additional funding available
- \$250,000 Maximum total



**GRANT PERIOD:**  
Oct 1, 2024 – August 31, 2026

# FUNDING

# ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUESTS

- Student Engagement and Awareness Groups
  - Pregnant and Parenting Students
  - Foster Care
  - Intellectual and Developmental Disability
  - Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Students

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# FUNDING

<b><u>PROGRAM AREA</u></b>	<b><u>REQUESTED FUNDS</u></b>
<b>Mental Health &amp; Wellness</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
<b><u>ENGAGEMENT &amp; AWARENESS GROUPS</u></b>	
<b>Pregnant &amp; Parenting Students</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>
<b>Intellectual &amp; Developmental Disability</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>Total for Grant Period</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>

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# ALLOWABLE COST CATEGORIES



**Personnel  
Compensation**



**Travel**



**Equipment &  
Supplies**

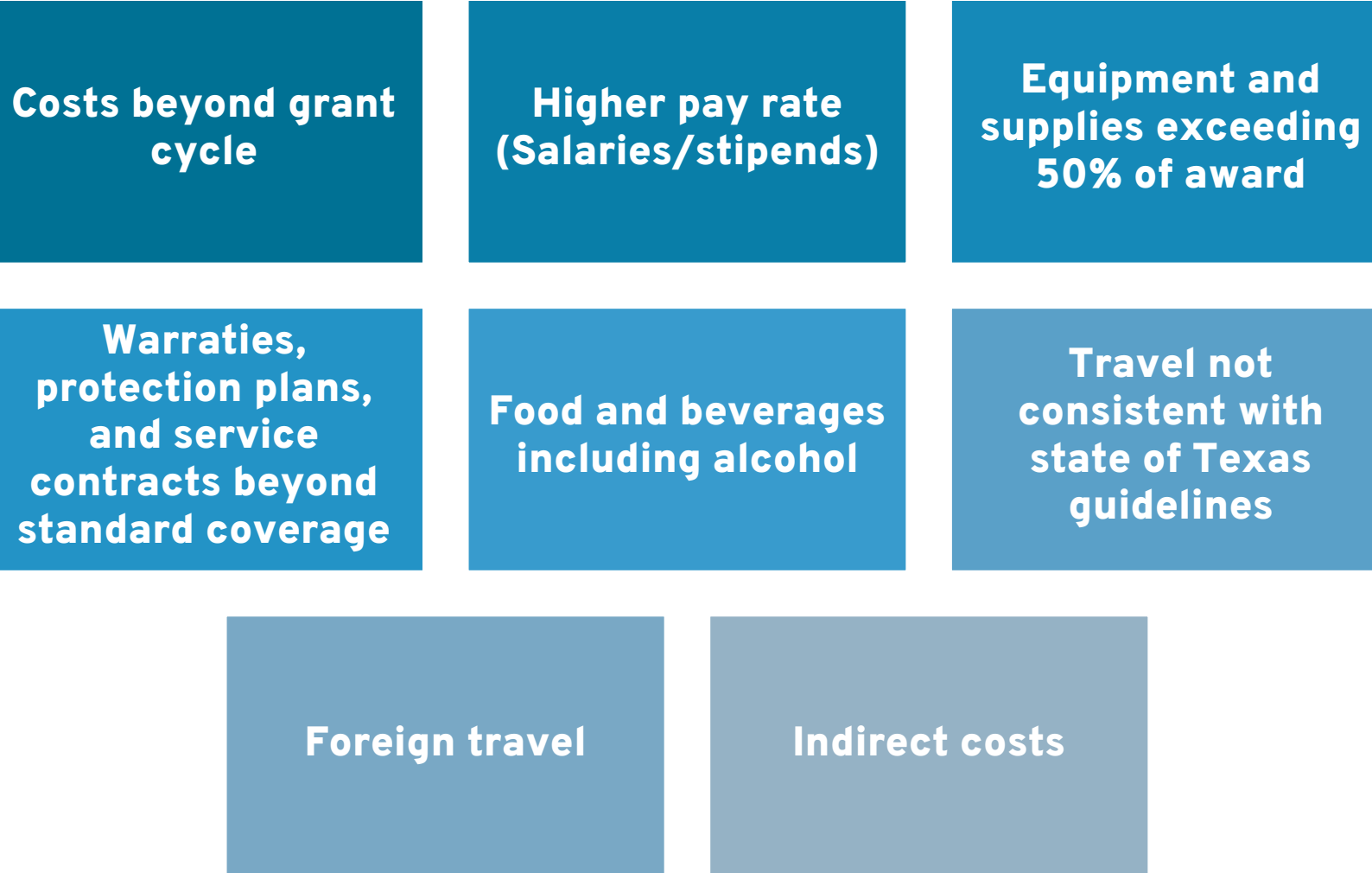


**Pre-Award  
Costs**



**Other Direct  
Costs**

# **PROHIBITED COST**



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# EVALUATION CRITERIA

# GENERAL CRITERIA

<b>Program Overview (5 points)</b>	
<b>Rationale for Funding (5 points each, 15)</b>	
<b>Goals and Main Activities (5 points each, 10)</b>	
<b>Budget (10 points)</b>	
<b>Overall Assessment (10 points)</b>	
<b>Additional Funding Request (5 points each, 15)</b>	

# GENERAL CRITERIA

## Program Overview (5 points)

- Provides a clear summary of the proposed program and relevant information that describes how the program is specifically aligned to the selected primary focus area.

# GENERAL CRITERIA

## Rationale for Funding (15, 5 points each)

- Rationale to scale, enhance, redesign, or implement the proposed program including information and data on target population(s), current outcomes, and other relevant information.
- Number of students served (baseline) and anticipated number to be served over the grant period.
- How program will impact persistence, completions, and workforce transitions for targeted student population(s).

# GENERAL CRITERIA

## Goals and Main Activities (10, 5 points each)

- Provide top 3 goals for the program. Should be reasonable, measurable, and have a strong connection to the program.
- Outline of key activities that support full implementation of the program.

# GENERAL CRITERIA

## Budget (10 points)

- Reasonable and cost effective and aligns with application
- Purpose and explanation for the line items provides a strong connection to the proposed work

# GENERAL CRITERIA

## Overall Assessment (10 points)

- **Professionally written, complies with word counts, comprehensive, and makes a persuasive case that funding will have a significant impact on furthering the IHE's work to achieve stated goals.**

# GENERAL CRITERIA

## Additional Funding Request (15 points)

- **Identify one or two Student Engagement and Awareness groups.**
- **Provide rationale for additional funding to serve identified population(s).**
- **Provide clear goals to serve the population(s) identified. Stated goals should be reasonable, measurable, and have a strong connection to the program with measurable outcomes.**

# PRIORITY CRITERIA

Categories are based on factors from THECB's research:

*\*Potential of 20 priority "bonus" points*

## Category One (5 points)

- Applicant's whose program/project includes 3+ interventions in Academic Supports, Advising, Basic Needs/Wrap-Around Services, Finances/Cost, Mental Health and Wellness, Some College, No Credential Reengagement, Underserved Populations.

## Category Two (5 points)

- Applicant's program/project interventions include of the following: Some College, No Credential Reengagement, Mental Health and Wellness, or Basic Needs/Wrap-Around Services

## Category Three (5 points)

- Applicant's program/project provides direct support; structured, targeted programs that offer services directly to students.

## Category Four (5 points)

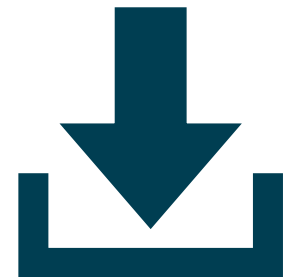
- Applicant received an Accelerating Student Success Planning Grant and/or SSAP – Implementation Grant

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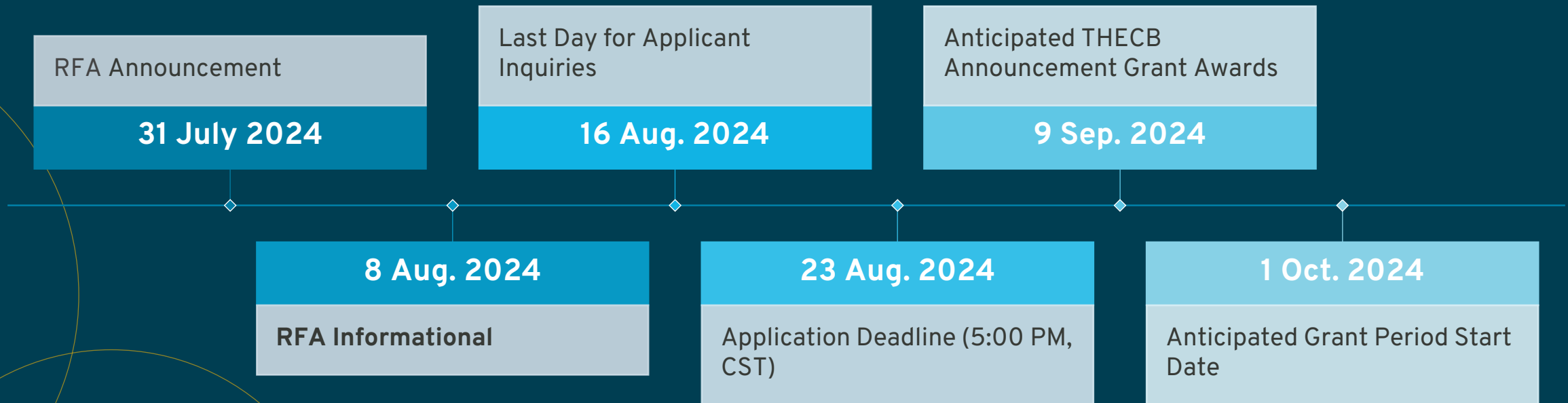
# SUBMISSION PROTOCOL

# APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- **Applicants must download and complete all required fields for forms 1-4.**
  - Form 1: Cover Sheet
  - Form 2: Certification and Leadership Commitment
  - Form 3: Application
  - Form 4: Proposed Budget
- **Save all documents as individual PDFs (e.g. IHE\_filename.pdf).**
- **Submit documents via the SSAP 2.0 Grant Application Submission Form link.**
- **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**



# APPLICATION TIMELINE



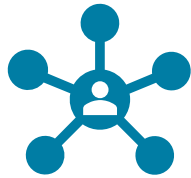
# PARTICIPATION & REPORTING

- **Narrative Reports**
  - Project Work Plan
  - One-pager
- **Financial Reports**
- **Texas Student Success Program Inventory**
- **Self-evaluation measuring programs' potential for impact**
- **Higher Edge pre-conference 12/11/2024**

# QUESTIONS?

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# INQUIRIES



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**THECB Institutional Grant Opportunities**  
**(SSAP 2.0 Grants)**

Today's Meeting is recorded and Answers to questions  
are posted on SSAP 2.0 Website



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