



We Already Have Community College


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- **services are not
comprehensive and much
more expensive**





We Are at a Competitive Disadvantage

- **our lowest education achievement metric**
 - **investors choose places where talent and training are less limited and more affordable**
 - **we are the largest county without a CC**
 - **we can better meet our own talent needs**
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We Are Failing to Leverage Resources

- **State and Federal
education allocations**
 - **unclaimed PELL grants**
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An Investment with a Return

- **better wages=higher
standard of living**
- **earnings nurture
economic growth**



It's About Equity and Opportunity

- **families in poverty cannot access and are trapped below ALICE**
 - **employers are burdened with higher cost for training and workforce development**
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