EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (EOPS)

EOPS is a state funded California College Pathway program established in 1969 to provide academic support services to financially and educationally disadvantaged students. CARE and NextUp are supplemental categorical components of EOPS.

RCC EOPS services include:

- Personal, academic, and career counseling
- Career exploration
- Comprehensive educational planning
- Priority registration
- Supplemental book services
- One-to-one tutoring
- Transfer information and assistance

To be eligible for RCC EOPS a student must:

- 1. Identify RCC as their "Home College"
- 2. Be a California resident (AB540 students accepted)
- 3. Have completed the FAFSA
- 4. Enroll in at least 12 units
- 5. Have completed fewer than 45 degree applicable units
- 6. Qualify for the California College Promise Grant (CCPG) "A" or "B"
- 7. Have an educational disadvantage (as determined by RCC placement scores and other factors)

For more information, contact the EOPS/CARE/NextUp program at eops@rcc.edu or (951) 222-8045

Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE)

CARE is a supplemental categorical component of EOPS designed to recruit and assist recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) to increase their educational skills, enhance their employability, become more confident and self-sufficient, and transition from welfare-dependency to independence.

To be eligible for CARE a student must:

- 1. Be an eligible and accepted EOPS student
- 2. Enroll in at least 12 units
- 3. Be a current recipient of CalWORKs/TANF cash aid for yourself, or for your dependent child/children under the age of 18, designated as single head of household

RCC CARE Services include:

- EOPS services, including counseling and priority registration
- Child care stipends
- Books and educational supplies assistance
- Transportation assistance
- Food assistance

For more information, contact the CARE program at eops@rcc.edu, or (951) 222-8045

NextUp

(also known as Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support Program)

NextUp is a supplemental, categorical component of EOPS designed to strengthen the capacity to support the college success, health, and well-being of current and former foster youth who are enrolled at RCC.

To be eligible for NextUp a student must:

- 1. Be an eligible and accepted EOPS student
- 2. Be under the age of 26
- 3. Be a current, or former, foster youth in California whose dependency was established, or continued, by the court on, or after, the student's 16th birthday
- 4. Enroll in at least 9 units

RCC NextUp services include:

- EOPS services, including counseling and priority registration
- Book services
- Educational supply assistance
- Food assistance
- Unmet need grants
- Specialized support workshops
- Transportation assistance

For more information, contact the NextUp program at eops@rcc.edu, or (951) 222-8045