

Same goals, Different Perspectives:

Urban and Rural Strategies for Wrap around Supports



Edison State at a Glance

- Rural Institution with Four Campuses
 - Piqua
 - Greenville
 - Troy
 - Eaton
- Enrollment Fall 2021: 4,053 unduplicated headcount
- Large CCP population: 2,194
- Increasing enrollment throughout the pandemic

Comprehensive Wrap Around Services

- Charger Station Food Pantries
- Student Emergency Grant
- Online and phone mental health support through Impact Solutions
 - Online ended June 30, phone calls still available
- CARE Team
- Student Needs Team
- Partnership with Piqua Compassion Network
 - On-campus hours 2 days/week

Demonstrating the Need

- In Fall 2021 Edison State students participated in the Trellis Student Financial Wellness Survey

50%

of students would have **TROUBLE GETTING \$500 IN CASH OR CREDIT** in an emergency.



11% of students **WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GET THAT AMOUNT FROM ANY RESOURCE.**

21%

of students **RAN OUT OF MONEY 6 OR MORE TIMES** in the past year.

35%

of students **REPORTED BEING HOUSING INSECURE.**



14%

of students had **VERY LOW FOOD SECURITY.**



44%

of students indicated **EXPERIENCING GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER.**



Highlights of the program to date...

- Developed MOU's and partnerships with community agencies
 - Piqua Compassion Network holds office hours on campus two days per week-conducts intake and assessment and refers students to other local organizations when needed
 - Tri-county Board offers training for students, staff and faculty
 - Dean of Student Engagement is member of Continuum of Care, local social services agencies information group
- Applied for and received numerous local grants to continue to stock the Charger Station Food Pantries at all campus locations
- Established Resource Centers at all campus locations to provide information on local events and services that students may benefit from-moving online Fall 2022

Highlights Continued...

- Worked through our Foundation to apply for mini-grants and to increase the funding for the Student Emergency Fund
- Our campus community is much more aware of student needs and has donated money and supplies to our Student Needs Team for distribution to our students
- Student Needs Team – won Team of the Semester Spring 2022
- All syllabi have a Student Support statement providing a list of services available and how to reach out for help
- Blackboard has an Assist Page that lists support services available

Testimonials from the 2022 Student Satisfaction Survey

- I greatly appreciate being able to go down and get a granola bar and drink from the Charger Station Food Pantry during my long, grueling nursing classes. When I am starving and can't focus, I walk down and feel so much better after my snack, thank you for offering this service! I always pick up a chocolate milk for my daughter and she appreciates it as well!
- I haven't used the student resource center or food pantry but I feel supported and cared about as a student just knowing that it is provided
- Having the pantry is an amazing addition to campus
- One thing that really stands out to me is the Charger Station food pantry. I have never seen a college do this and I think it is absolutely amazing.
- I am online but I enjoy the mental health provisions as well and constant updates from campus
- The best thing about Edison State is there are lots of resources. The fact that the school is willing to help a student with bills, snacks and anything in the pantry.

Future Plans & Possibilities

- Bring a NAMI chapter to campus to continue to support student mental health
- Designate a landing page on the website to build on the “You Matter” campaign that addresses all aspects of student support, eliminates jargon and removes stigma from asking for help
- Continue to explore additional resources as an improvement plan that can expand services to more students
- Expanding Student Needs Team membership to all regional campus locations
- Edison State Angel Tree at the Holidays to help student parents provide gifts for their families

Questions?

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Sinclair at a Glance

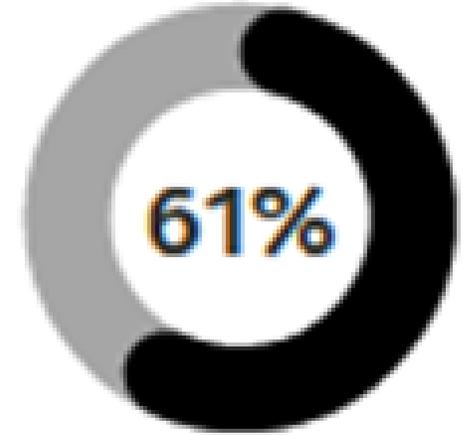
- Downtown Dayton Campus with 4 suburban regional centers
- Enrollment Fall 2021: 18,544
- Significantly Growing CCP student population
- Growing prison and re-entry program

Demonstrating the Need

- In Fall 2021, Sinclair students participated in a Student Financial Wellness Survey, deployed by Trellis Research. 1027 Sinclair students participated in the survey.
- The Trellis survey showed that students who face Basic Needs Insecurity are also significantly more likely to face depression and anxiety.



Of the students stated **they would have trouble getting \$500 in cash or credit** to meet an unexpected need within the next month



Of the students identified as either **food insecure** and/or **housing insecure** and/or **homeless**.

Comprehensive Wrap Around Services

- Food Pantry
 - Social Worker & Case manager
 - Lunchtime Hunger program
 - Emergency Grant
 - Childcare center on site
 - Homefull Mobile Grocery on campus weekly
- 2 Mental Health Counselors
 - 24/7 Counseling support through IMPACT solutions
 - JEDCampus Member
 - Additional Supports available through IMPACT solutions:
 - Legal Assistance
 - Financial Counseling
 - Medical Advocacy

Highlights of the program to date

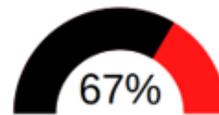
Development of stronger partnerships with community agencies (35+ to date)

Served 1100+ students to date

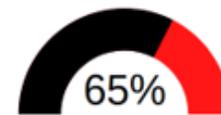
Assists in connecting to resources so that student's financial and life stressors are minimized

Provides application assistance for resources such as SNAP and WIC

Increasing awareness of Basic Needs Insecurity in campus community



Of those students successfully completed coursework during Fall 2021



Of those students were retained to Spring 2022

Testimonials:

- *...she confided in me today that you assisted her with some grant opportunities, and she happily reported she was able to get some significant help. She was coming in today to tell me she was going to have to withdraw from our program, but the news of grant success gave her the hope she was looking for and she decided she could stay at school. I know that her life will be better once she completes her degree and I felt compelled to let you know just how much this service means. Your assistance went a long way to allowing her to achieve her dreams. Thank you! P.C.*
- *I am emailing you to express my gratitude for you always being available and willing to assist me whenever you are needed. I am extremely grateful and appreciative for you and all that you do. Until Next Time. C.D*
- *Thank you so much! I feel a little more hopeful now, thank you so much. Worrying carries the worst weight on your shoulders. Have a great evening, N. R.*
- *I am happy to let you know I will move into my apartment soon. Thank you again for everything you have done for me .I am so thankful. Best, I.M.*
- *... was very helpful, and I recommend that students who need help reach out to her because her services are very helpful. M.M.*
- *Hello again, thank you so much for the info, you have no idea how much you are helping. Best wishes, A.L.*
- *I have been a student since 2019 right before the pandemic started. Sinclair has been my backbone and support through the toughest times and the Coronavirus was rough on me especially with me being from Oklahoma. All my family and loved ones reside in Oklahoma so I had to heavily rely on my resources here in Dayton. Most of which came from Sinclair, I have used and will still use the food pantry as needed and I also have really good mentors such as you. – C.S.*

Future Plans

- JEDCampus strategic plan & expanding mental health support
- Ongoing analysis of our work & campus community connections with the goal of developing and expanding partnerships with community agencies
- Expanding lunchtime hunger program
- Focus on Equity through wider selection of personal hygiene and hair care products
- Building a pipeline of faculty/staff volunteers

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