

GRCC

Learning Resource Center
Capital Outlay Project Request

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GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

GRCC is nationally recognized for the quality of its academic and workforce programs, as evidenced by the number of accredited programs and state and federal awards for innovative workforce and job training offerings.

GRCC is Michigan's first community college, and one of the top five largest in the state, with **21,480** students in credit-seeking and career certificate programs in 2021-2022.

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GRCC is one of the top colleges in the state for Michigan Reconnect students.

9.5 percent of all Reconnect and Futures for Frontliners students served at GRCC.

We partner with the Grand Rapids Public Schools and the Promise Zone Board to administer the Grand Rapids Promise Zone Scholarship.

More than 1,000 Promise Zone students attended GRCC since inception in the Fall of 2020

We partner with six K12 districts to offer middle college programs, currently serving more than 900 students.

Students in our middle college programs recently participated in a NASA competition in packaging innovation and food service categories.

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THE LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

GRCC's Learning Resource Center was built in 1972.

The building now houses the GRCC Library, Tutoring Services, Media Technologies and the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

It served us well for decades. But it needs considerable updates for accessibility, repairs, and to better serve the next generations of GRCC students.

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THE VISION

We propose transforming the traditional academic library model to one that supports active learning for ALL students.

- Teaching and learning have changed dramatically.
- Hyflex, virtual reality and AI technologies, experiences and skills are necessary
- Flexible delivery is an expectation from our students.

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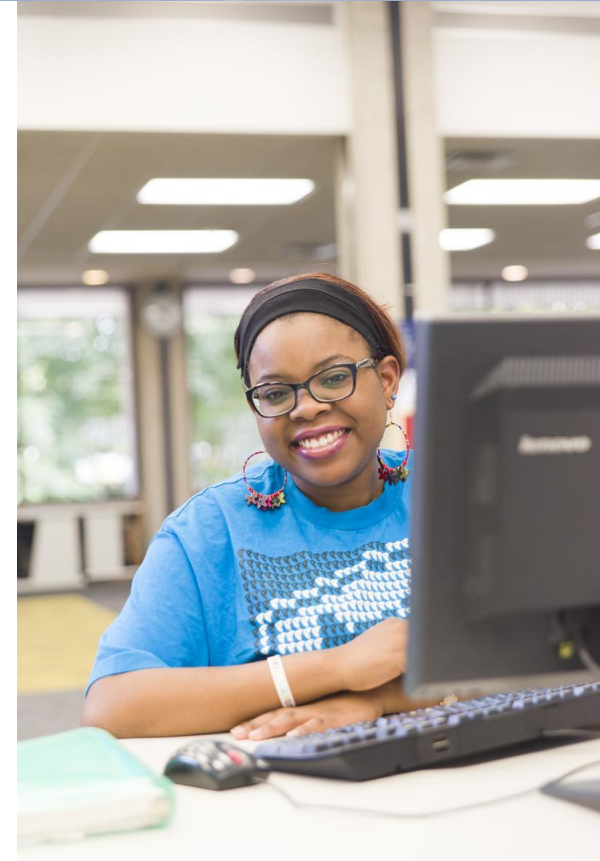


OUR PROPOSED PROJECT

The estimated \$33.6 million project will support GRCC's ongoing commitment to student success through graduation, transfer to a four-year institution, and entry into the workforce.

- Modernized library and research facilities to meet the needs of all 21,480 GRCC learners as well as our community members.
- Student support services including tutoring, DEI support, a DHHS employee on site, and other services to support student retention.
- Student learning and study spaces to support individual study, participation in on-line learning, hyflex spaces to support group online participation, and more.

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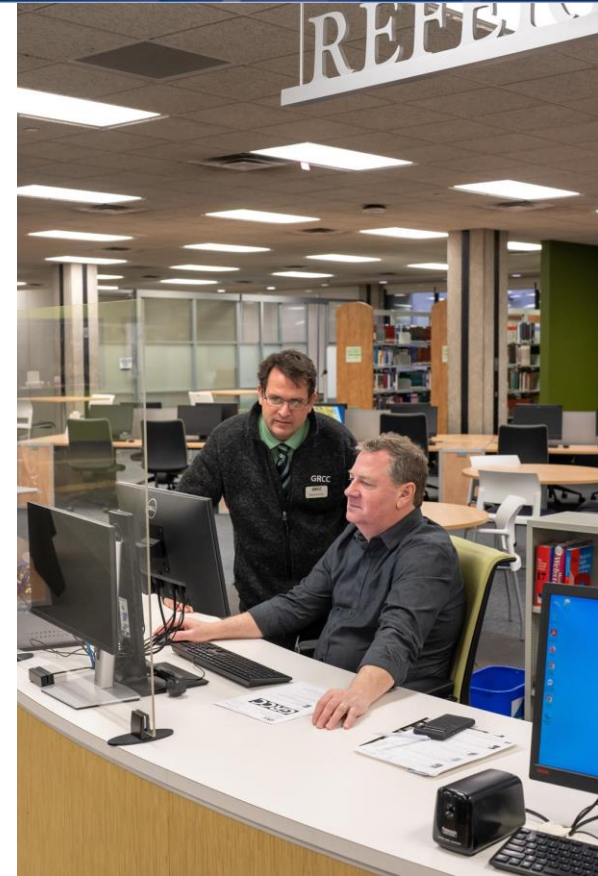


STUDENT IMPACT

The transformation will expand access to a quality education for students of all ages, meeting them where they are in life and helping them move forward.

It brings all support services under one roof, conveniently connecting students with resources to help them overcome obstacles to success.

It will support the State's goal of 60 by 30 with an enhanced focus on student persistence and completion.



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Thank you!

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