

Massasoit Community College Receives \$50,000 @Scale Award

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BROCKTON – Massasoit Community College was notified by the Department of Higher Education that its proposal to the @Scale Project Initiative has received an award for \$50,000. This funding required a 3:1 match, which the recently awarded NSF ATE grant is providing along with funding from a separate NSF grant collaboration with Bridgewater State University as the lead institution. Massasoit's Science Transfer Initiative was recognized by the Governor's STEM Advisory Council last year, but that recognition had no funding attached. This @Scale award is the next step in that process, although for the \$50,000 we were required to demonstrate that we had at least \$150,000 in funding from other sources. Fortunately, we have that now.

Our partners in the @Scale initiative are BCC and CCCC – we are “scaling up” our Science Transfer Initiative by expanding some of its components both here and at BCC and CCCC. The funding will provide faculty stipends for enhanced advising, career awareness, and transfer activities. The goals are to increase student interest in STEM fields and student enrollment, graduation, and transfer in STEM disciplines.

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