



# Government Relations Update

January 2021 Update

# Items for Discussion

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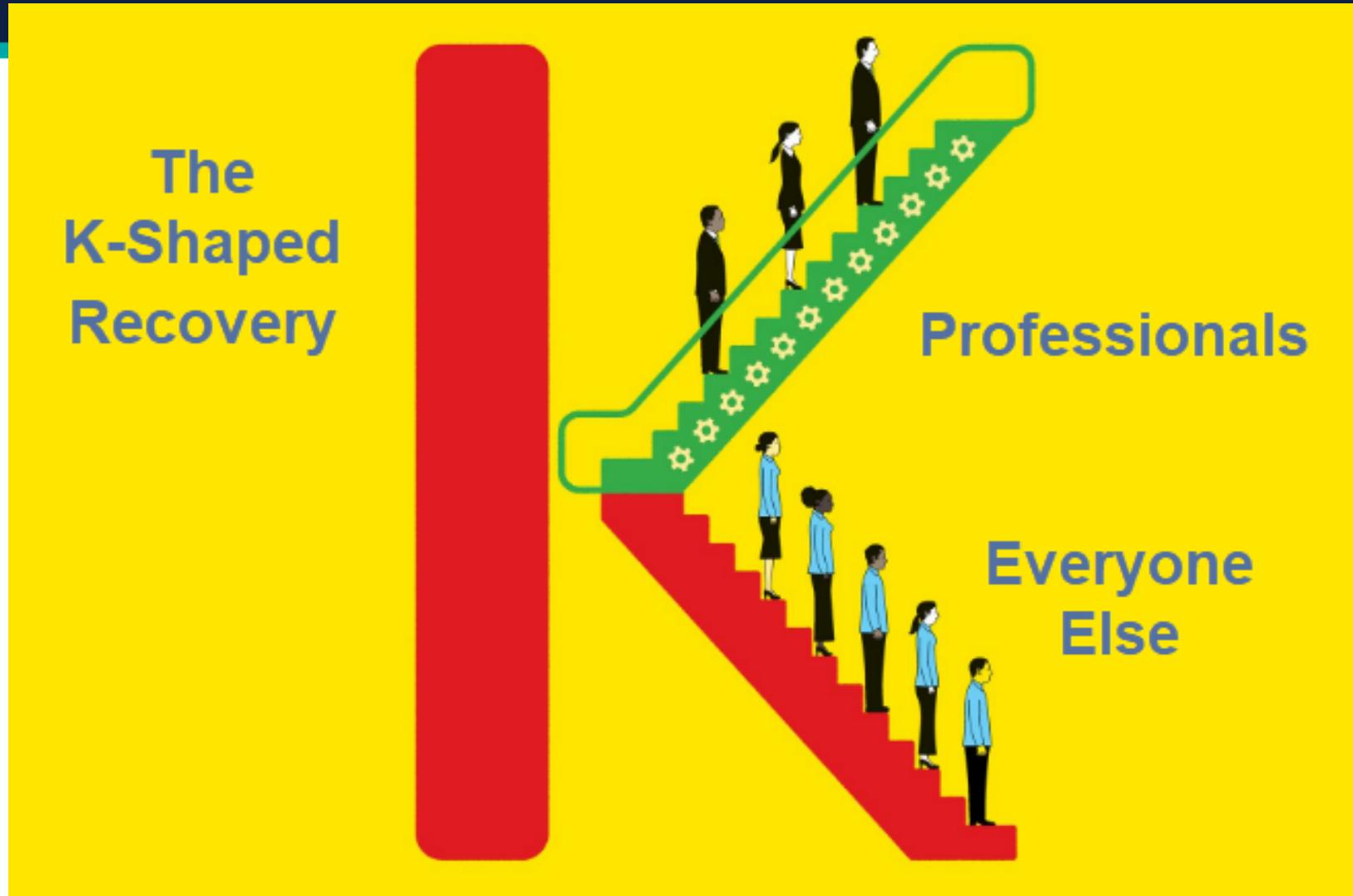
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# BUDGET UPDATE

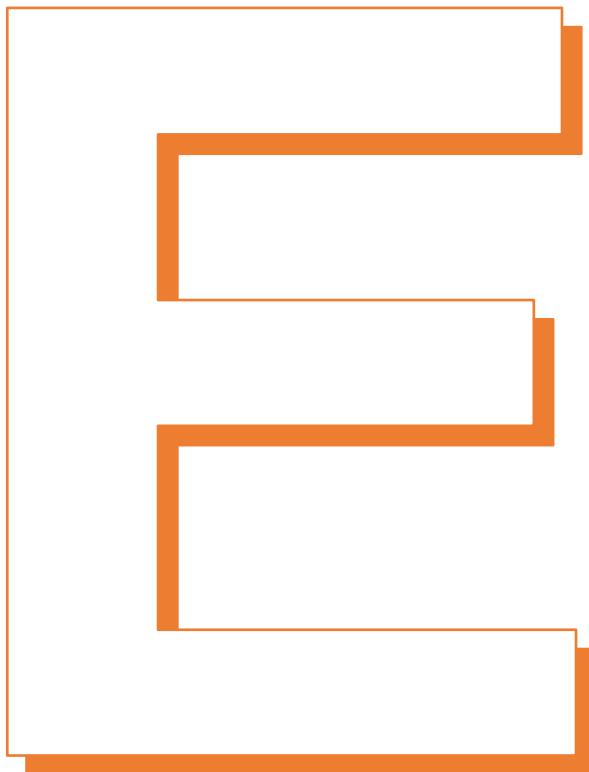
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# K-Shape



# Goal: E-Shape



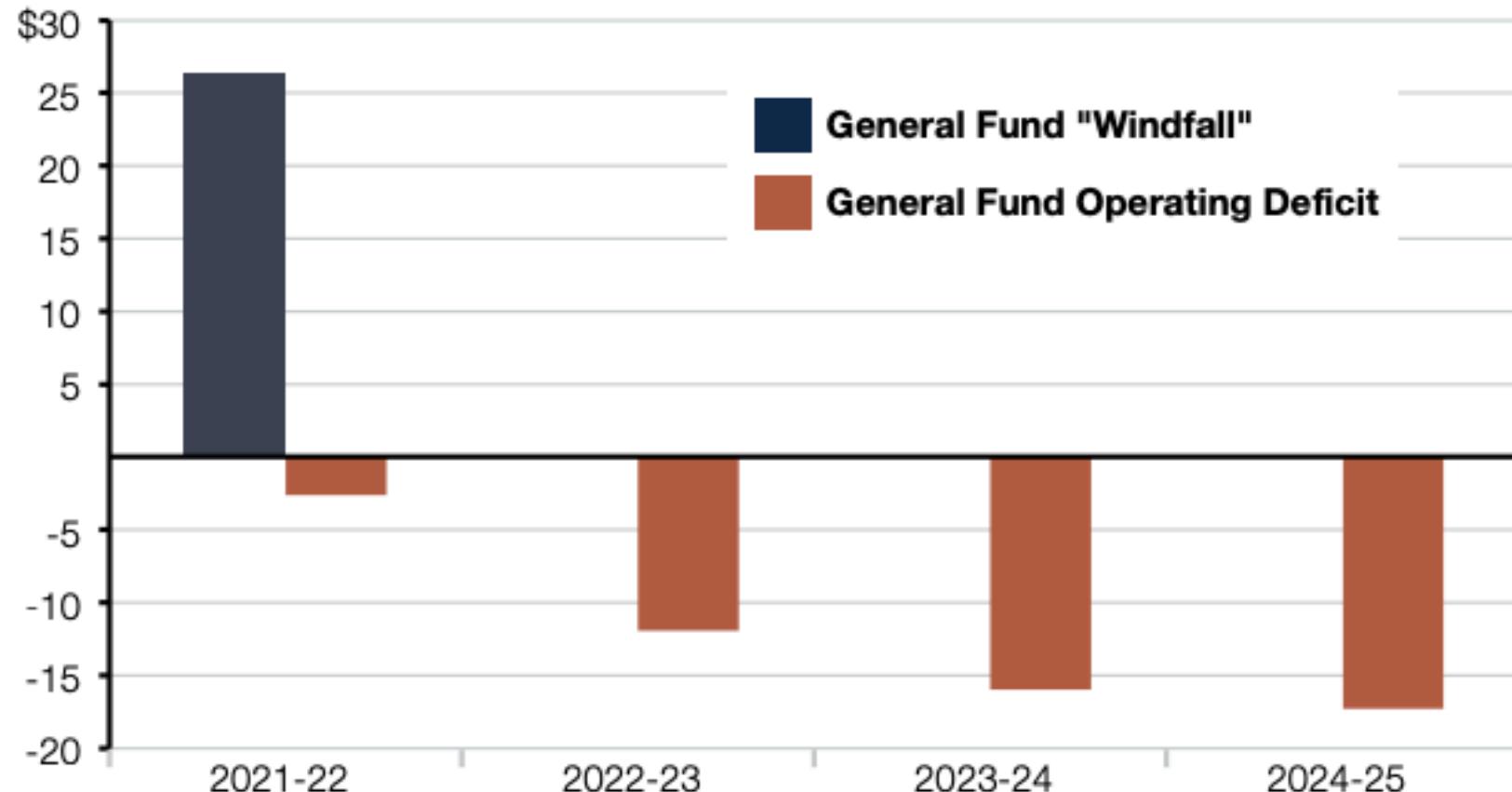
Education and  
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## **Under Main Forecast, Operating Deficits Grow Over Multiyear Period**

*(In Billions)*

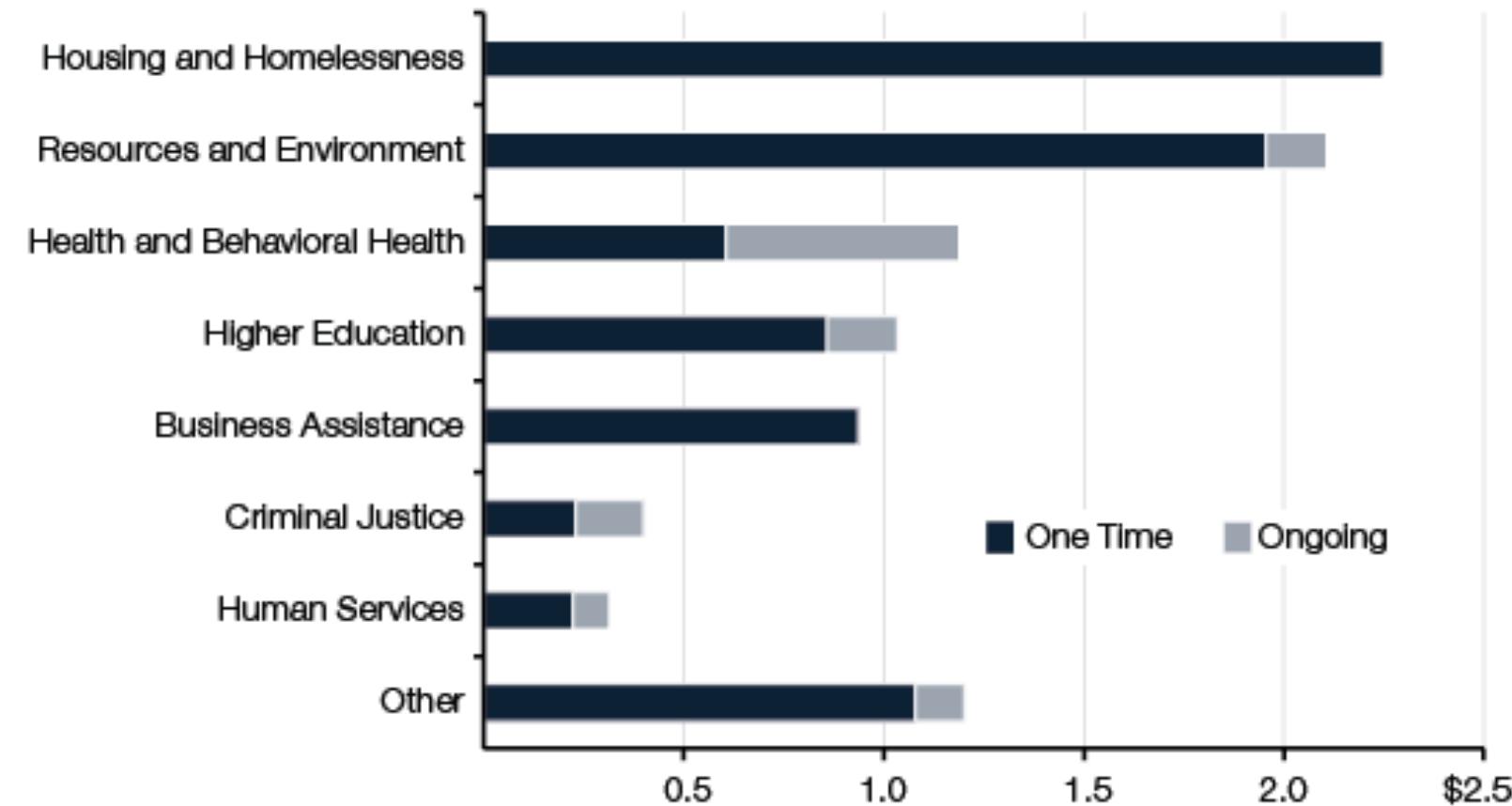
Legislative Analyst's Office  
  
The 2021-22 Budget:  
California's Fiscal Outlook  
Growing Deficit



**Figure 3**

## How the Governor Allocates the \$15.5 Billion Windfall by Program Area

*(In Billions)*



# Early Action Package

## Spending Increases and Revenue Reductions Proposed for Immediate and Early Action

*(In Millions)*

Program/Department	Proposal	2020-21	2021-22	Total
<b>Schools and Community College Spending (General Fund)</b>				
Department of Education	Expanded learning and academic intervention	\$4,557	—	\$4,557
Department of Education	In-person instruction grants	2,000	—	2,000
California Community Colleges	Emergency student financial aid	100	—	100
California Community Colleges	Student retention and enrollment strategies	20	—	20
<b>Totals, Schools and Community Colleges</b>		<b>\$6,677</b>	—	<b>\$6,677</b>
<b>Total Early and Immediate Action Proposals</b>		<b>\$11,520</b>	<b>\$1,308</b>	<b>\$12,823</b>

# CCC: Early Actions

- One-time investment of \$100 million in emergency student financial assistance grants,
- One-time resources of \$20 million for retention and re-enrollment strategies, including engaging with former students who may have withdrawn or prospective students who are hesitant to enroll due to the impacts of COVID-19.

# 2021-22: Addressing Deferrals

Fiscal Year	Deferral Action	Amount	Net Deferral
2020-21 <sup>a</sup>	New deferral	\$1,453.0	\$1,453.0
2021-22	Repayment	-\$1,126.5	\$326.5

# Deferral Paydowns in Governor's Budget

## Per LAO

	K-12 Education	Community Colleges	Totals
<b>Payment Deferrals (Enacted June 2020)</b>	<b>\$11,042</b>	<b>\$1,453</b>	<b>\$12,495</b>
<b>Proposed paydowns (Governor's Budget):<sup>a</sup></b>			
Scored to 2019-20	\$0	-\$145	-\$145
Scored to 2020-21	-4,624	-901	-5,525
Scored to 2021-22	-2,695	-81	-2,776
<b>Totals</b>	<b>-\$7,318</b>	<b>-\$1,127</b>	<b>-\$8,445</b>
<b>Remaining Deferrals</b>	<b>\$3,723</b>	<b>\$326</b>	<b>\$4,050</b>

# 2021-22 CCC Budget: Ongoing

Provide 1.5% COLA for SCFF	\$111.1
Increase access to online technology as well as mental health services	30
Fund 0.5% enrollment growth for SCFF	23.1
Expand California Apprenticeship Initiative	15
Invest in online education ecosystem and infrastructure	10.6
Provide 1.5% COLA for certain categorical programs	6.1
Cover increased costs for broadband access provided by CENIC	8
<b>Subtotal Ongoing Policy Adjustments</b>	<b>\$203.9</b>

# 2021-22 Budget: One-Time

Provide emergency financial assistance grants for students	\$250
Address students' basic needs related to food and housing insecurity	100
Support retention and enrollment strategies	20
Expand work-based learning	20
Increase faculty professional development	20
Expand Zero-Textbook Cost pathways	15
Provide instructional materials for dual enrollment students	2.5
AB 1460 implementation and anti-racism initiatives	.6
Total	\$681

# Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- **Invests in the “Call to Action.”** The Governor’s Budget includes \$600,000 for Chancellor’s Office coordination of systemwide antiracism efforts and the implementation of the new ethnic studies course requirement in the California State University (CSU) as it affects community college transfer students.
- **Requires Action Plans to Close Equity Gaps.** The budget expects each segment of higher education to draft actionable plans to close equity gaps. Community college districts would be required to draft actionable plans as a condition for receiving the COLA included in the 2021-22 budget proposal.

# Pension Costs

*The 2021-22 Governor's Budget does not propose further buydowns but continues implementation of the 2021-22 employer contribution reduction.*

Pension System	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
CalSTRS Employer Rate	17.10%	16.15%	15.92%
CalPERS Employer Rate	19.721%	20.70%	23.00%

# Workforce Development

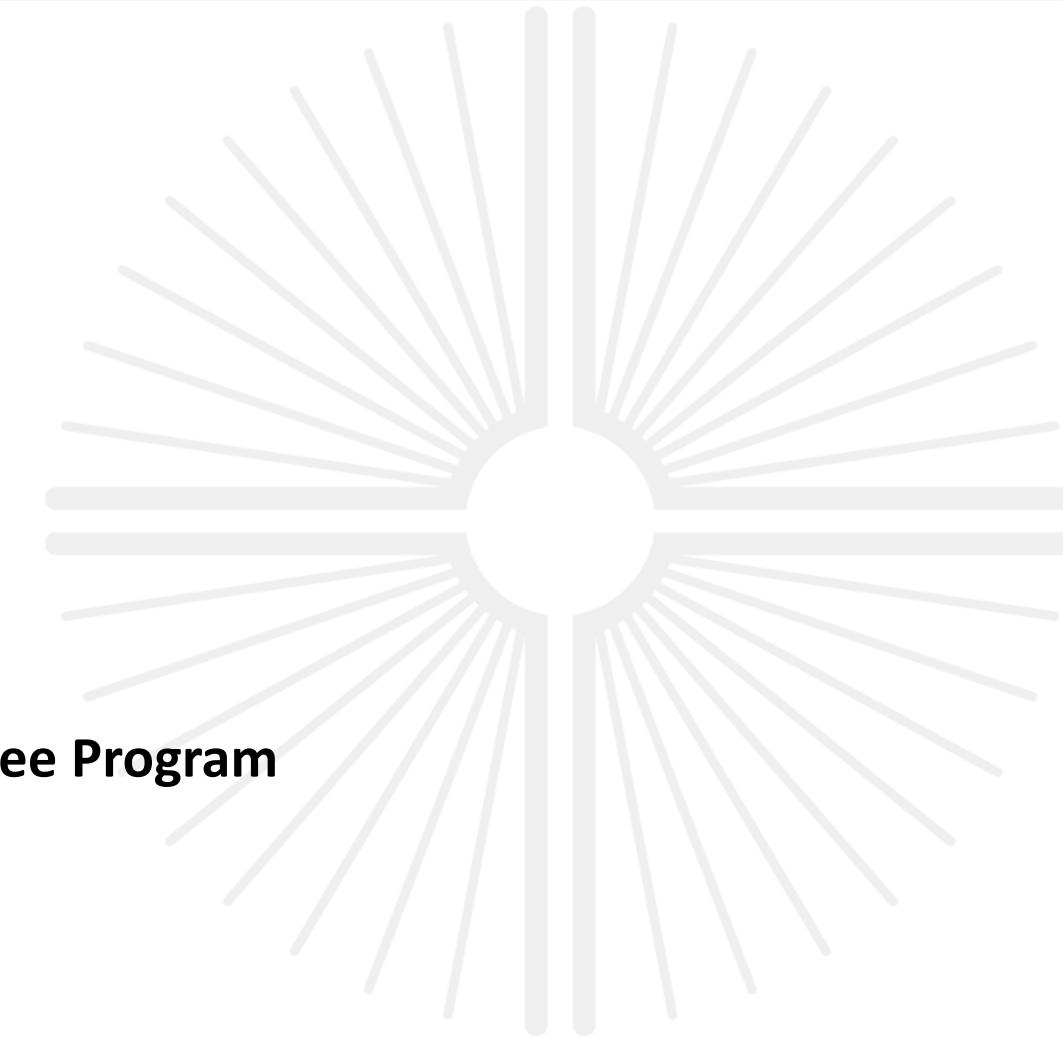
- **\$15 million** ongoing to expand the California Apprenticeship Initiative, to support the development of new and innovative apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs through competitive grants.
- **\$20 million** one-time for grants to expand access to work-based learning models and programs at community colleges, including working with faculty and employers to incorporate work-based learning into the curriculum.
- **\$250 million** one-time General Fund to support workforce development and better linkages between higher education and gainful employment. The focus will be enhancing opportunities for communities that have been systemically excluded.

# Other Actions

- Districts would be required to maintain a number of online courses in 2021-22 that is 10% higher than the number offered in 2018-19.
- The establishment of a dual admission process between the California Community Colleges and the public university systems and calls for increased production of Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT).
- If the University of California uses an alternative pathway and set of requirements for transfer, it must clearly specify the courses in the pathway that are different from the ADT requirements.
- Requires all higher education segments to adopt a common learning management system (such as Canvas), with a goal of increased efficiency that could be achieved by negotiating collectively with a vendor.

# League Priorities

- **Equity for Educational Quality**
  - Funding for a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)
  - Buying Down Deferrals
  - Addressing Pension Obligations
- **Equity for Students**
  - Reforming Financial Aid
  - Funding Mental Health Services
  - Flexible Resources for all Students Needs
- **Equity for Academic Opportunity**
  - Expand the Community College Baccalaureate Degree Program
  - Workforce Based Learning
  - Fund a Single Library Services Platform (LSP)



# Assembly Budget Sub #2 Calendar



<https://www.assembly.ca.gov/dailyfile>

- January 26, 2021: 9 am
- February 1, 2021: 3 pm
- February 9, 2021: 9 am
- February 16, 2021: 2:30 pm
- February 17, 2021: 4 pm
- February 23, 2021: 9 am
- February 24, 2021 4 pm
- March 2, 2021: 9 am
- March 9, 2021: 9 am
- March 16, 2021: 9 am

# Budget Analysis & Issue Briefs

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## 2021-22 Budget and Related News

### Materials from the League

- League December Letter [PDF](#)

### Materials from the CCCCO

- CCCO 2021-22 System Budget & Legislative Request
- 2021-22 Joint Analysis of the Governor's Budget Proposal [PDF](#)

### Materials from the Administration (Governor and DOF)

- Governor's Budget Summary 2021-22 [PDF](#)

### Materials from the Legislature and Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO)

- Assembly Budget Committee - Highlights of Governor's Proposed 2021-22 Budget [PDF](#)
- Senate Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review- Summary of Governor's Proposed 2021-22 Budget
- LAO Overview of Governor's Budget [PDF](#)
- LAO 2021-22 Fiscal Outlook [PDF](#)
- LAO Fiscal Outlook for Schools and Community Colleges [PDF](#)

### Federal Items



# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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## 2021 Legislative Deadlines

[2021 Legislative Calendar and Deadlines \(pdf version\)](#)

[2021 Legislative Calendar and Deadlines \(ics version\)](#)

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### January

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Wk. 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Wk. 2	10	11	12	13	14	15
Wk. 3	17	18	19	20	21	22
Wk. 4	24	25	26	27	28	29
Wk. 1	31					

### January Deadlines

Jan. 1 Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)). ([add to calendar](#))

Jan. 10 Budget must be submitted by Governor (Art. IV, Sec. 12(a)). ([add to calendar](#))

Jan. 11 Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(1)). ([add to calendar](#))

Jan. 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. ([add to calendar](#))

Jan. 22 Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel. ([add to calendar](#))

### February

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Wk. 2	7	8	9	10	11	12
Wk. 3	14	15	16	17	18	19
Wk. 4	21	22	23	24	25	26
Wk. 1	28					

### February Deadlines

Feb. 15 Presidents' Day. ([add to calendar](#))

Feb. 19 Last day for bills to be introduced (J.R. 61(a)(1), J.R. 54(a)). ([add to calendar](#))

### March

- **Some Key Legislative Dates**
- **Feb. 19** Last day for bills to be introduced
- **Apr. 30** Last day for policy committees to meet and report to fiscal committees fiscal bills introduced in their house
- **June 4** Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house
- **June 15** Budget Bill must be passed by midnight
- **July 14** Last day for policy committees to meet and reports bills
- **Sept. 10** Last day for any bill to be passed

# Start of the Legislative Year

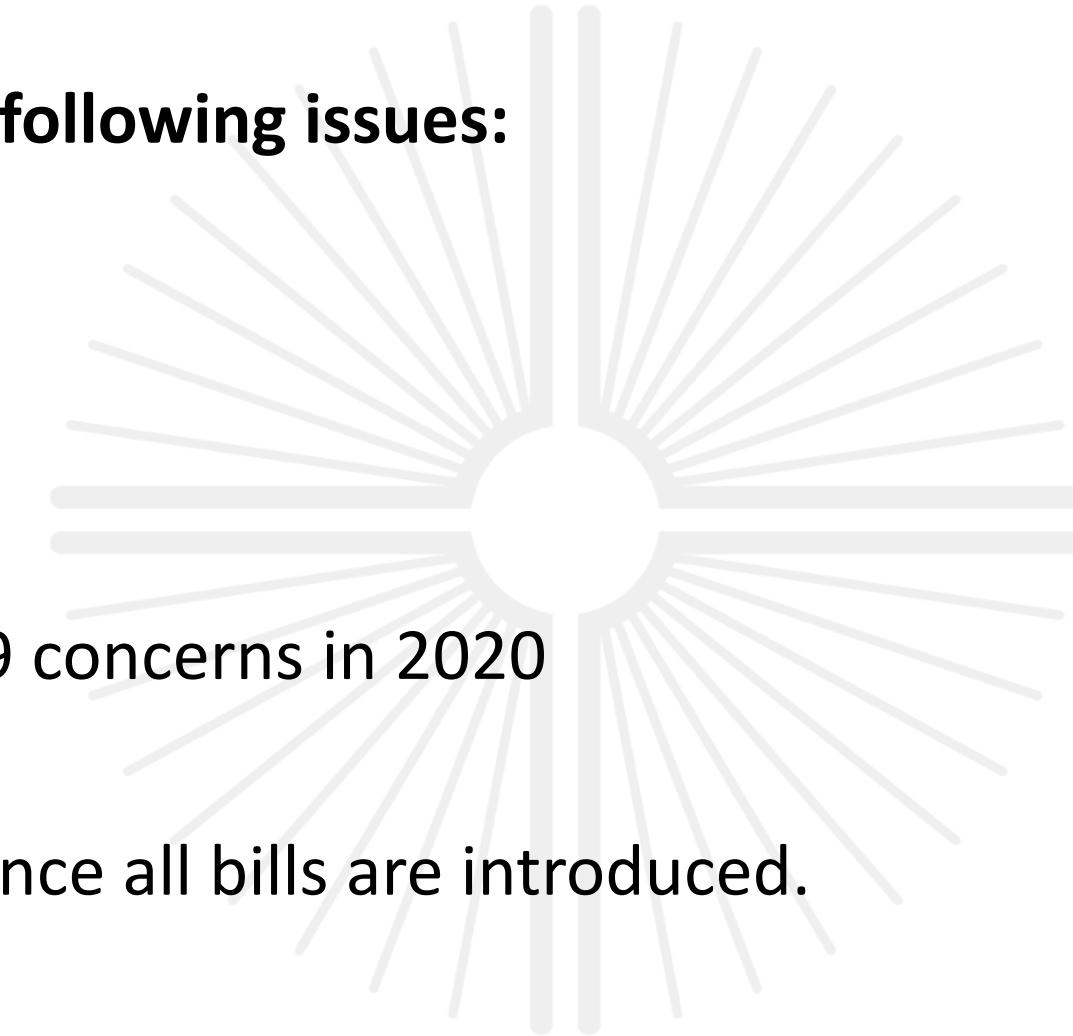
- Legislature has reconvened for the 2021 legislative year.
- COVID-19 will reduce bandwidth of legislature to consider legislation.
- Policy and fiscal committees expected to meet less frequently to follow COVID-19 social distancing protocols.



# Legislative Themes

**The legislature is expected to focus on the following issues:**

- Direct COVID-19 response
- Student Basic Needs
- Transfer reform
- Legislation held back because of COVID-19 concerns in 2020



Expect a comprehensive legislative report once all bills are introduced.

# FEDERAL UPDATE

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## Changes to Federal Leadership:

- Democrats take control of both legislative and executive branches.
- Small Democratic majorities in both the Senate and the House.
- Significant implications for changes to federal fiscal and regulatory possibilities.



Image tweeted by @JoeBiden

# Federal Update: Potential Legislative Actions

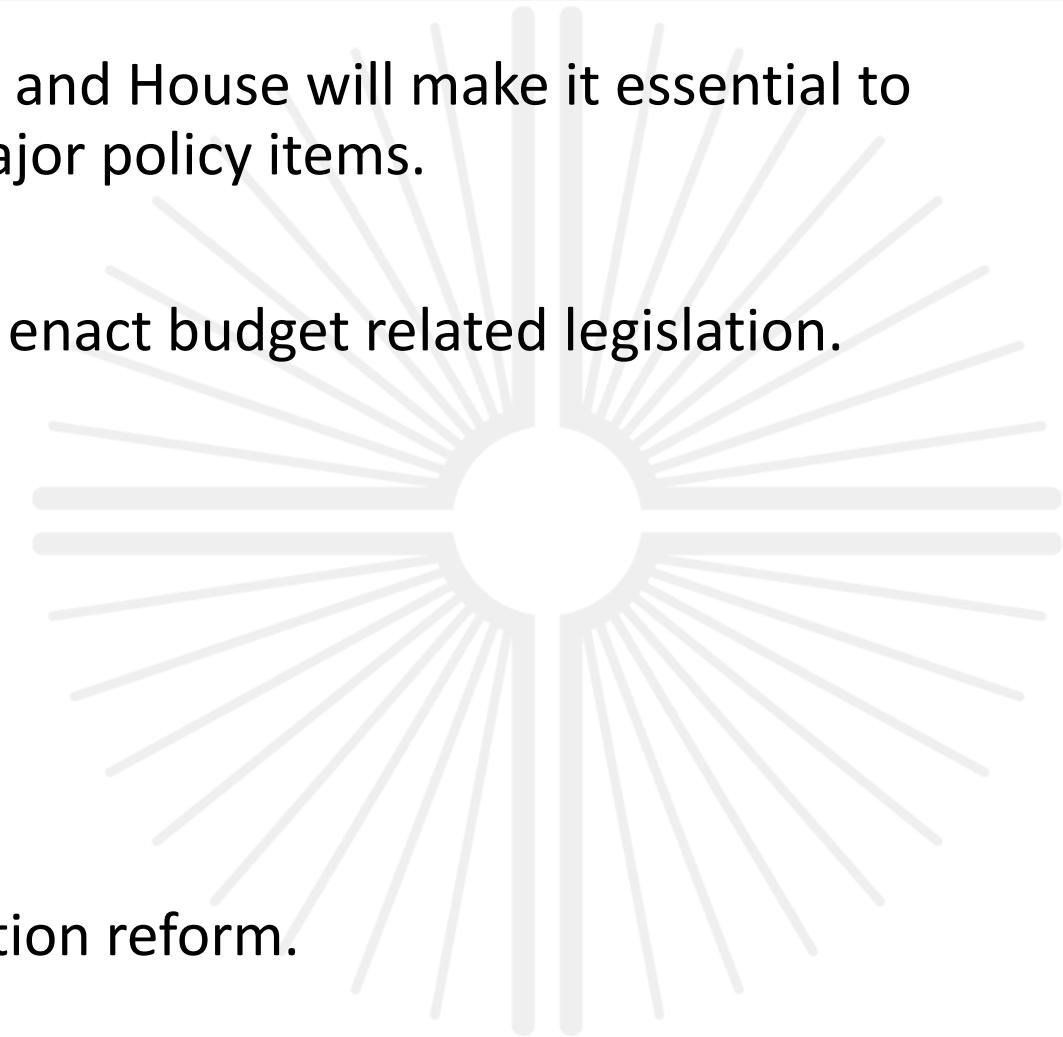
Very small Democratic majorities in both the Senate and House will make it essential to achieve bipartisan support for major policy items.

## Budget Reconciliation:

- Only a majority of vote of the Senate necessary to enact budget related legislation.
- Could include additional stimulus funding.
- \$35 Billion proposed for higher education.

## Policy Actions:

- Will require at least 60 votes in the Senate.
- Authorization of Higher Education Act
- Codification of DACA and comprehensive immigration reform.



# Federal Update: Regulatory Actions

Slim party majorities in both the House and Senate could be a signal for continued legislative deadlock.

## Potential Executive Actions:

- Appointments
  - Democratic majority will make it easier to confirm Biden appointees.
- Title IX
- Protection of DACA.
- Consumer protection for student at for-profit institutions.



# QUESTIONS

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# Annual Legislative Conference

**JANUARY 25-26, 2021**

*Advocating for an Equity-Based Economy*

**General Registration Fee - \$199**

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**  
[www.ccleague.org/LC2021](http://www.ccleague.org/LC2021)

# Virtual Legislative Visits

The Annual Legislative Conference offers an opportunity for California Community Colleges to meet with their members, and now is the time to start planning for your January advocacy meetings. Here are tips to help you prepare for successful virtual legislative visits:

- 1. Schedule Your Virtual Meetings.** Identify your regional legislators and request to meet with them after the Annual Legislative Conference concludes. We encourage you to meet via Zoom as it provides a space to still meet face to face virtually.
- 2. Get to Know Your Legislators.** We recommend learning about your legislators' background to help find points of common interest and alignment. This is an effective way to make your case.
- 3. Prepare Your Message.** Be prepared to tell your district/college's story. Share information about your institution's key programs, facts about the student population, the business community served by the college, and the economic impact of college programs.
- 4. Know Key Priorities for California Community Colleges.** Every year the League provides talking points of our legislative priorities for California Community Colleges.
- 5. Practice.** In this new virtual setting, it is important to practice the flow of your meeting with your team of advocates.