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**State awards local grants to promote college access and success**

*Organizations from 15 counties join effort to build statewide College Success Coalition*

INDIANAPOLIS – Community groups from 15 Indiana counties are receiving \$20,000 grants to support local efforts geared at helping Hoosier students get to and through college. Made possible by the state’s Learn More Indiana partnership, the grants are part of an ongoing effort to strengthen Indiana’s College Success Coalition, a growing network of organizations working to promote college access and completion in Indiana.

“Indiana has made great strides in creating a college-going culture in recent years, but college completion must be our true measure of success,” said Indiana Higher Education Commissioner Teresa Lubbers. “We recognize that rallying communities around the common goal of college success is critical to meeting the education needs of our students and our state.”

Grant recipients joined representatives from a total of 24 counties across the state this week in Indianapolis for the first in series of trainings designed to build local membership capacity and to support public engagement and policy/advocacy efforts. The state plans to support the development of College Success Coalitions in all 92 Indiana counties over the next few years.

Grant recipients by county include:

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| 1. <b>Allen</b> - FW Urban League                      | 9. <b>Marion</b> - College Summit                           |
| 2. <b>Clark</b> - Clark County Youth Coalition         | 10. <b>Monroe</b> - Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce |
| 3. <b>Delaware</b> - Ivy Tech Community College Muncie | 11. <b>Putnam</b> - Cloverdale Community Sch. Corp.         |
| 4. <b>Grant</b> - Project Leadership                   | 12. <b>St. Joseph</b> - Notre Dame Trio                     |
| 5. <b>Hendricks</b> - Hendricks College Network        | 13. <b>Vanderburgh</b> - SICAN                              |
| 6. <b>Jennings</b> - Indiana Community Action Assoc.   | 14. <b>Vigo</b> - Saint Mary of the Woods                   |
| 7. <b>Johnson</b> - Franklin Community High School     | 15. <b>Wayne</b> - Communities in Schools                   |
| 8. <b>Lake</b> - Giving Education Meaningful Substance |   |

Launched in 2007 with support from the Lumina Foundation for Education, Indiana’s College Success Coalition is coordinated by Learn More Indiana, a communication and community outreach partnership of state agencies responsible for education, financial aid and workforce development. Learn more at [www.learnmoreindiana.org](http://www.learnmoreindiana.org).