



## Summary of Legislative Priorities for 86th Legislature

### Maintain current formula funding rates in the base bill

- Base funding is a top priority as a Hispanic Serving Institution and essential for our service to students
- Currently serving more than 12,000 students with graduating classes comprised of 40% first generation, 50% Hispanic and 59% minority graduates

### Continued support for non-formula funding

- As a smaller regional institution that has outgrown the small institution supplement, we rely heavily on non-formula funding as part of our base funding
- Initiatives like Institutional Enhancement function as part of our base funding and are essential to supporting our students
- Non-formula funding affords the resources necessary for matching funds and educational outreach often required to successfully secure research grants. This is reflected in a more than \$10M increase in grant funded research in the last 5 years, bringing our annual grant-funded research total to \$28M

### Arts and Media Building, TRB Request

\$58.5M

- Driven by inability to soundproof outdated space, which has put music accreditation in jeopardy and creates an inability to obtain accreditation in theatre and art
- Allows for more efficient use of existing facility, which is rendered unusable when ensembles rehearse
- Supports academic needs of students as current space was designed for programs ¼ of current enrollment
- Allows award winning arts & media program to further expand their focus on marketable skills and increase integration with innovative STEM research (STEAM) with \$3M in grant-funded STEAM research to date
- New facility will include public space to study and highlight the legacy of Dr. Hector P. Garcia, the first Hispanic recipient of the Medal of Freedom, which will be displayed in this space

### Civil and Industrial Engineering, Non-Formula Request

\$2.3M/biennium

- Addresses a regional increase in need for engineering graduates driven by recent \$50B industry investment
- Expands successful pipeline for local and regional students to become engineering professionals with our current Engineering graduation rates 3 times higher than the national average for Hispanics
- Request would fund:
  - Increase 6 new faculty positions and 2 academic advisors to support addition of Civil & Industrial Engineering, as well as a competency-based degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology
  - Staff salaries for positions, such as supplemental instructors, tutors, and lab technicians
  - Start-up costs for research directly related to needs of the region, including research focused on innovation in port industries
  - Match required to secure \$2M in Type A Board funding committed by the City of Corpus Christi for equipment and construction to support Civil and Industrial Engineering

- Supports growing educational needs of local and regional students
- Expands success in closing the gap on educational attainment
- Request would fund:
  - 13 new faculty members and 2 academic advisors
  - Increase for academic tutoring and supplemental instruction
  - Maintenance of low tuition costs with a focus on first-generation and minority students

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

By the numbers

Currently serving more than **12K** students

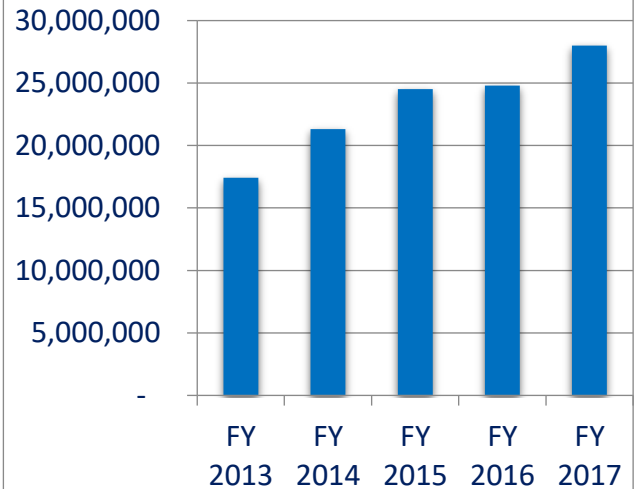
FY18 Undergraduate – 82% | FY18 Graduate – 18%

- 48.3% Hispanic
- 3% Asian
- 37% White
- 3.0% International
- 5.4% African American
- 1.8% Multiracial

Enrollment Growth  
in Last 10 Years

**32.4%**

Research Expenditures  
exceeding \$28M



Recently achieved new Carnegie classification  
**R2 Doctoral University: High Research Activity**

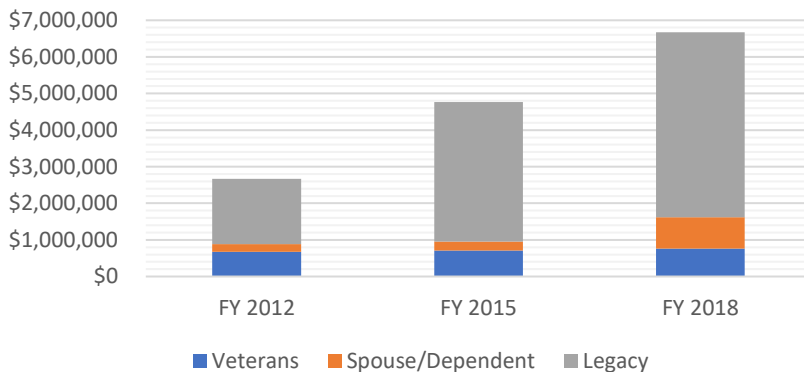


Graduation Success

Awarded **2,386** degrees  
in FY18

- 50% to Hispanics
- 59% to minority students
- 42% first-generation students

Hazelwood Exemptions



Engineering Successes

**Mechanical and Electrical Engineering**

- ✚ 613 majors
- ✚ 45% of majors are Hispanic

**TAMU-CC Engineering Graduates**

- ✚ 33% of graduates are Hispanic (National average is 10%)
- ✚ 85% of graduates employed in Texas
- ✚ 50% employed in the Coastal Bend

Degrees Offered

**46** undergraduate degrees • **33** masters degrees • **9** doctoral degrees

