



Program:	New Options Program	Assessment period:	2020-2021

Program or Department Mission:

The purpose of the New Options Program is to assist non-traditional students who are interested in beginning college for the first time or re-entering college after an interruption and to assist them in their educational/career pursuits.

Service Unit Outcomes & Assessment Plan							
Intended Outcomes	Means of Assessment	Criteria for Success	Summary & Analysis of Assessment Evidence	Use of Results			
(1) The New Options Program will recruit non- traditional students to participate in the program.	Assessment will be determined by the number of students participating.	New Options has a participation benchmark of 150 students.	25 students were recruited for the 2020-2021 academic year; including 18 extremely low income, 5 low income, and 2 moderate income (according to HUD guidelines), with 22 female heads of household.	New Options continues to seek out students who meet the qualifications of the program. Emails and phone calls were regularly monitored to ensure students had access to information and resources through the Departmental webpage.			
(2) Student participants will be provided information about college resources	Results of student assessments from the seminars/workshops.	New Options will host at least 25 seminars/workshops with 80% of the attendees expressing satisfaction	16 seminars/workshops were held for 31 participants on all 4 campuses, zoom, and via phone. Over 80% of participants expressed satisfaction with	Students were able to receive up to date information about college resources through the JSCC College website. Seminars were ongoing throughout the year to meet the needs			

through seminars/ workshops.			the seminar on their evaluation forms.	of students and provide information about college resources.
(3) New Options will continue to seek off campus funding to provide books and scholarships to participants.	Assessment will be determined by the number of scholarships awarded and the number of textbooks borrowed.	The benchmark for books loaned is 800, and to provide tuition assistance to as many participants who qualify.	Through a grant proposal, \$35,000.00 was awarded to New Options through the City of Birmingham Community Development Block Grant. The grant allowed the program to award scholarships in the amount of \$15,735. (11 scholarships were awarded) and to assist in purchasing textbooks \$8,892 (11 books were purchased). Also \$300.00 for office supplies. And the remaining funds pay a percentage of the director's salary (10%) and one part time office staff salary (9%).	The Department continues to explore options of access to funding through the College and the City of Birmingham. Discussions are ongoing.
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