LCC ANNOUNCES $1.4M GRANT
Award to increase graduation, transfer rates

LANSING - Lansing Community College today announced receipt of a 5-year $1.4 million TRiO grant that will help increase student graduation and transfer rates. The TRiO program is a federally funded initiative designed to support disadvantaged students in their efforts to attain a college degree. Nationwide, students who participate in TRiO Programs are more than twice as likely to achieve their academic goals.

LCC’s TRiO program offers academic assistance, career counseling, cultural enrichment opportunities, financial guidance, student development training, personal counseling and disability accommodations. All services are free of charge to students who are first-generation college students (neither parent has a bachelor's degree), students with academic potential who have a financial need which meets income guidelines (as defined by the U.S. Department of Education), and students with documented physical or learning disabilities. LCC assists approximately 200 students each year.

“We are delighted to learn that LCC once again qualifies for TRiO funding,” said LCC President Brent Knight. “TRiO funding has produced demonstrable results, both nationally and at LCC, as evidenced by this year’s graduation results. It’s certainly a major key to student success.”
The funding will begin in academic year 2011-2012. LCC is currently in year five of a TRiO grant awarded in 2004.

Eligible students are enrolled on a first-come, first-serve basis, so interested students are urged to contact the LCC TRiO office at 517/483-1161.

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About Lansing Community College
Lansing Community College is Michigan’s third largest community college with more than 32,000 students attending each year. The College has more than 240 degree and certificate programs. LCC offers courses in general education for those interested in transferring to a four-year institution, career and workforce development, developmental education and personal enrichment. To meet the professional development and training needs of regional employees, the college offers customized programs for credit, non-credit and continuing education. The University Center at LCC offers students the opportunity to earn bachelor’s and master’s degrees from six partner universities on the downtown LCC campus. For more information, visit lcc.edu.