COOPERATIVE AGENCIES RESOURCES FOR EDUCATION (CARE)

The Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) program was created out of the EOPS program to provide additional support to single parents who are considered head of household and are receiving cash assistance through CalWORKs/TANF/Tribal TANF/AFDC. The goal of the CARE program is to support students in becoming self-sufficient by providing equitable opportunities for CARE students to obtain a degree, certificate, marketable job skills, and/or transfer. CARE provides support services above and beyond and in addition to what EOPS and the college provides.

This mission of CARE at Mt. San Jacinto College is to create generational impact for families of single parents who are earning a degree, certificate, marketable job skills, and/or transferring to four-year institutions of higher education.

Services

- · Academic, Career, and Personal Counseling
- · Childcare Grants*
- · Graduation Packs*
- · Campus Meal Cards*
- · Auto Repair Reimbursements*
- · Book Service Award*
- · Educational Supplies*
- · Transportation Support* Community Referrals

*All services and grants are based on available funding and the students financial unmet need.

Eligibility

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Must be eligible for the EOPS program and in good standing;
- · Student parent must be 18 years of age or older;
- Must have unmet need:
- · Current recipient of cash aid (i.e. TANF/CalWORKs/Tribal TANF);
- · Must have at least one child under the age of 18;
- Currently receiving cash aid benefits for themselves or their dependent child(ren);
- · Must be declared as single head-of-household by the county

Service Area Outcomes

- Supportive and encouraging delivery of services from CARE faculty and staff.
- Completion of matriculation process and persistence in academic progress from term to term toward academic goal by utilizing CARE services and support from CARE faculty and staff.
- Engagement in parenting workshops and resources to provide a safe and healthy home environment.
- Intensive collaborative support to improve engagement and matriculation through academic and county requirements.

How to Apply

CARE students must be eligible and be a part of EOPS program to receive services. Please visit the EOPS (https://www.msjc.edu/eops/) website to apply for CARE services or visit an EPOS office to inquire about CARE services.

Contact Information

Visit us on the web at msjc.edu/care (http://www.msjc.edu/care/), for more information about the program and our office hours. You may also contact CARE staff by calling (951) 487-3295 or via email at eopsoffice@msjc.edu.