

**Nevada System of Higher Education**

# **Legislative Report and Biennial Budget Update**

**Board of Regents**

**March 4-5, 2021**

# Today's Presentation

- NSHE Advocacy Process
- Budget Priorities
- Major Legislation and BDRs
- Questions

# **NSHE Advocacy Process**

## **Communications Strategy Outlined Jan. 15:**

**Board Chair is the official spokesperson for the Board**

**Board chairman, board staff and NSHE team will coordinate with Regents to testify on specific bills**

**Board of Regents will receive supporting materials for legislator check-ins**

# NSHE Advocacy Process

## NSHE Positions on Bills:

The Board delegated authority to the Chancellor, in coordination with Board leadership, to take positions on legislation aligned with NSHE's mission and strategic goals due to time constraints

**Consistent communications with Board leadership and weekly updates to the Board**

**Coordinated strategy with institutions' government affairs representatives**

# 2021-23 Budget Priorities

# Total Change in State Funding

Operating Budget	Original FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	Governor Recommends FY 2022	% Change Over Original FY 2021	Governor Recommends FY 2023	% Change Over Original FY 2021
Formula Funded Budgets	\$510,608,647	\$411,392,285	\$477,730,811	-6.4%	\$479,790,741	-6.0%
Professional School Budgets	\$108,025,401	\$86,791,655	\$95,330,803	-11.8%	\$95,573,271	-11.5%
Non-Formula Accounts	\$72,907,163	\$58,845,698	\$64,482,583	-11.6%	\$64,605,685	-11.4%
<b>Grand Total *</b>	<b>\$691,541,211</b>	<b>\$557,029,638</b>	<b>\$637,544,197</b>	<b>-7.8%</b>	<b>\$639,969,697</b>	<b>-7.5%</b>

\* Does not include UNR Engineering Building Debt Service appropriation of \$3,314,250 in Original FY 21 total. No state funds appropriated for Revised FY 21 or FY 22 & FY 23 Gov Rec

# Fiscal Year 2022 & 2023

Formula  
Funded  
Caseload  
Growth

Institution	FY 18 Actual WSCH	FY 20 Actual WSCH	WSCH Change FY 18 vs. FY 20	Caseload @ FY 21 WSCH Rate \$164.61
UNLV	1,078,174	1,115,625	37,451	\$6,164,743
UNR	763,270	783,516	20,246	\$3,332,678
CSN	627,075	663,630	36,555	\$6,017,236
GBC	76,324	87,716	11,392	\$1,875,237
TMCC	218,966	227,510	8,544	\$1,406,428
WNC	86,284	87,071	787	\$129,466
NSC	126,472	157,417	30,945	\$5,093,155
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,976,565</b>	<b>3,122,483</b>	<b>145,918</b>	<b>\$24,018,943</b>

# 12% Budget Reductions

## 2021-23 Executive Budget

	Governor Recommends FY 2022	Governor Recommends FY 2023	Total
Salary Savings	(\$46,614,427)	(\$46,492,349)	(\$93,106,776)
Operating	(\$36,465,121)	(\$36,623,836)	(\$73,088,957)
Travel	(\$1,421,895)	(\$1,385,258)	(\$2,807,153)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$84,501,443)</b>	<b>(\$84,501,443)</b>	<b>(\$169,002,886)</b>



## Capacity Funding

# \$10.9 million per year in state funding

Nevada State College - **\$900,000** per year

College of Southern Nevada - **\$5.8 million** per year

Great Basin College - **\$700,000** per year

Truckee Meadows Community College - **\$2.25 million** per year

Western Nevada College - **\$300,000** per year

Desert Research Institute - **\$1 million** per year

# Financial Aid Programs

## **Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship - \$44 million**

Merit-based scholarship created by the Governor Guinn administration in 1999

## **Silver State Opportunity Grant – \$4.4 million per year**

Created in 2015 based on a shared responsibility model for awarding grant aid whereby the total cost of attendance (tuition, fees, and living expenses) is shared by partners (the state, feds, family, and the student)

## **Nevada Promise Scholarship - \$7.3 million**

Last dollar program created in 2017 whereby students that complete the FAFSA and meet certain requirements receive a scholarship to cover the base registration fee that is not otherwise covered by state and federal aid

# Transfer WICHE to NSHE

Only western state in the 16-member compact whose WICHE program operates outside the higher education system

Operating together allows NSHE to benefit from the latest information available from (regional) WICHE, and allows Nevada's program to respond to unique state workforce needs

As part of NSHE, WICHE can better access and grow relationships with NSHE professionals

Operational efficiencies through shared resources and systems

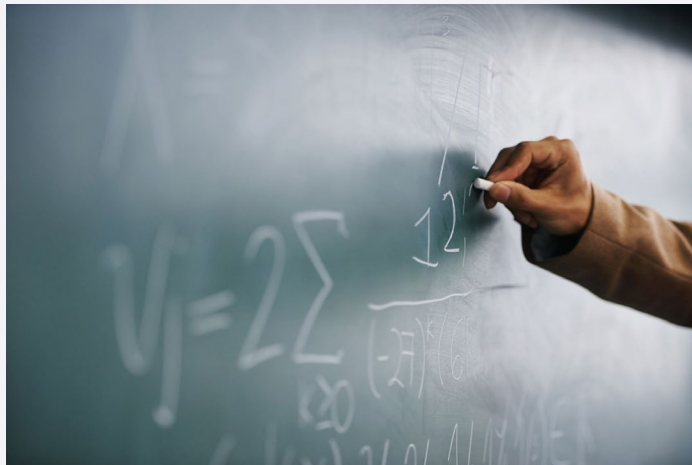
General Fund **savings of \$85K** over the 2021-23 biennium

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**One-Shot Funding**  
\$25 million – UNLV Medical Education Building

# Faculty and Staff Compensation



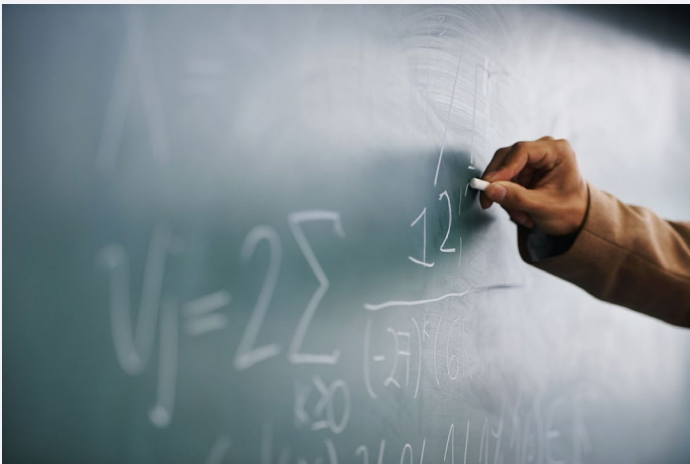
## Implement NSHE Task Force on Performance Pay Administration and Support recommendations

- Ensure Funding Equity for all NSHE employees
- Fund any future cost of living adjustments (COLA) at 80%
- Funding for future professional COLA be directly appropriated to NSHE
- Add the following language to the Appropriation Act:
  - *It is the intent of the Legislature that the amounts appropriated by this act for the Nevada System of Higher Education may be allocated by the Nevada System of Higher Education to support expenditures related to professional performance pay increases and for salary adjustments for salary compression and inversion for academic and administrative faculty*
- Require all institutions to establish a performance pay pool of at least 1% using existing resources

# Faculty and Staff Compensation (cont.)



- **Public Employees' Benefits Program**
  - Elimination of Long-Term Disability Insurance



# Engineering Academic and Research Building

- Construction and FF&E completion funding for 52,000 sf Engineering Building for research labs, classrooms, fabrication space, student space, faculty research space and other functions.
- Supports education, research and economic development in the Nevada community and engineering/technology industries.
- \$3.5M funded to date for planning, design and partial construction (50% state, 50% UNLV).



## 2021-23 Governor Recommends CIP

Engineering Academic and Research Building

\$73,688,689 total (\$36,844,345 State, \$36,844,345 UNLV)

# Welding Lab Addition and Renovation

- Expand current welding shop/classroom space by 4,500sf, nearly doubling the current square footage
- Renovation of the 4,830sf existing welding lab
- Institution/Donor match \$600K
- Continuation of project 19-P70, which was swept
- This project is design through construction

Proposed expansion site shown on left of current welding shop



2021-23 Governor Recommends CIP  
Welding Lab Addition and Renovation

\$6,340,320 total (\$5,740,320 State, \$600,000 GBC)





# Marlette Hall Renovation

- WNC seeks to complete the renovation of the Cedar Building's Marlette Hall, originally constructed in 1998.
- Marlette Hall is currently a large, tiered lecture hall with a seating capacity of 120 in a space of 1,771 square feet. Seating is fixed, with small, attached, fold-up tabletops. The lecture hall was built as a multipurpose room, serving as a larger classroom as well as a place for guest speakers and student groups.
- The lecture hall no longer meets the needs of students and faculty for learning and teaching, and no longer meets the needs of the community for a speaker or event space.

## 2021-23 Governor Recommends CIP

Marlette Hall Renovation

\$1,496,771 State



# Major Presentations so far

**Assembly Committee on Education - Chancellor overview of NSHE**

**Senate Committee on Education – Chancellor overview of NSHE**

**Budget/CIP Subcommittee – Public Works Board CIP overview**

**Budget Subcommittee – GOED budget overview Knowledge/WINN funds**

**Senate Finance/Ways and Means – \$25 million UNLV Med School**

**Budget Subcommittee – Overview of NSHE budget**

**Senate Finance/Ways and Means – WICHE budget**

**Assembly Committee on Education – AB156 National Guard waiver, AB165 Veterans**

# Important Upcoming Dates

**Legislators' bill introductions deadline (3/15/21)**

**Budget Subcommittee – Overview of NSHE budget (3/17/21)**

**Start closing budgets (3/30/21)**

**First house committee passage (4/09/21)**

**First house passage (4/20/21)**

# Major Legislation & BDRS

**Governor's community college governance/workforce development (BDR 1108)**

**Community college federal definitions (BDR 838)**

**Silver State Opportunity Grant alternative FAFSA**

**Residency status for students who receive a high school equivalency (GED)**

**Expansion of national guard fee waiver (AB156)**

**Removes the 5-year limitation for honorably discharged veterans (AB165)**

# Major Legislation & BDRS

**Native American tribe waiver (BDR 34-946)**

**Knowledge Fund reform (AB29)**

**State financial aid study (SB128)**

**Concealed firearm permit holders (AB80)**

**Dual credit permissive in out of state institutions (SB160)**

**Other BDRs impacting NSHE**

# Questions

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