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## Cerritos College Receives \$1 Million Clean Transportation Grant

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**NORWALK, Calif. – June 19, 2017 –** Cerritos College's Advanced Transportation Technology and Energy Center (ATTE) received \$1 million from the California Energy Commission. The College will develop clean fuel training programs for high schools in underserved communities, regions impacted by poor air quality, and those serving minority populations.

The grant was part of the California Energy Commission's initiative to grow and increase clean transportation.

Cerritos College's ATTE has a proven record of successfully training workforce in clean transportation field. Through its existing energy academies and career technical education pathways, ATTE is uniquely qualified to increase workforce interest for clean transportation through hands-on training with advanced vehicle technologies. These efforts will focus on underserved communities and assist students with a pathway choice that gives them an opportunity to matriculate into college training programs, increasing their opportunities for greater personal economic success and serve this new field's growth needs.

"Early exposure to clean transportation education would benefit high school students and increase career awareness for this growing field," said Jannet Malig, director, Advanced Transportation Technologies Project. "This grant will allow us to reach out and provide education and career exploration opportunities to underserved youth."

**About Cerritos College:** Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college's district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at <a href="http://www.cerritos.edu/">http://www.cerritos.edu/</a>.

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