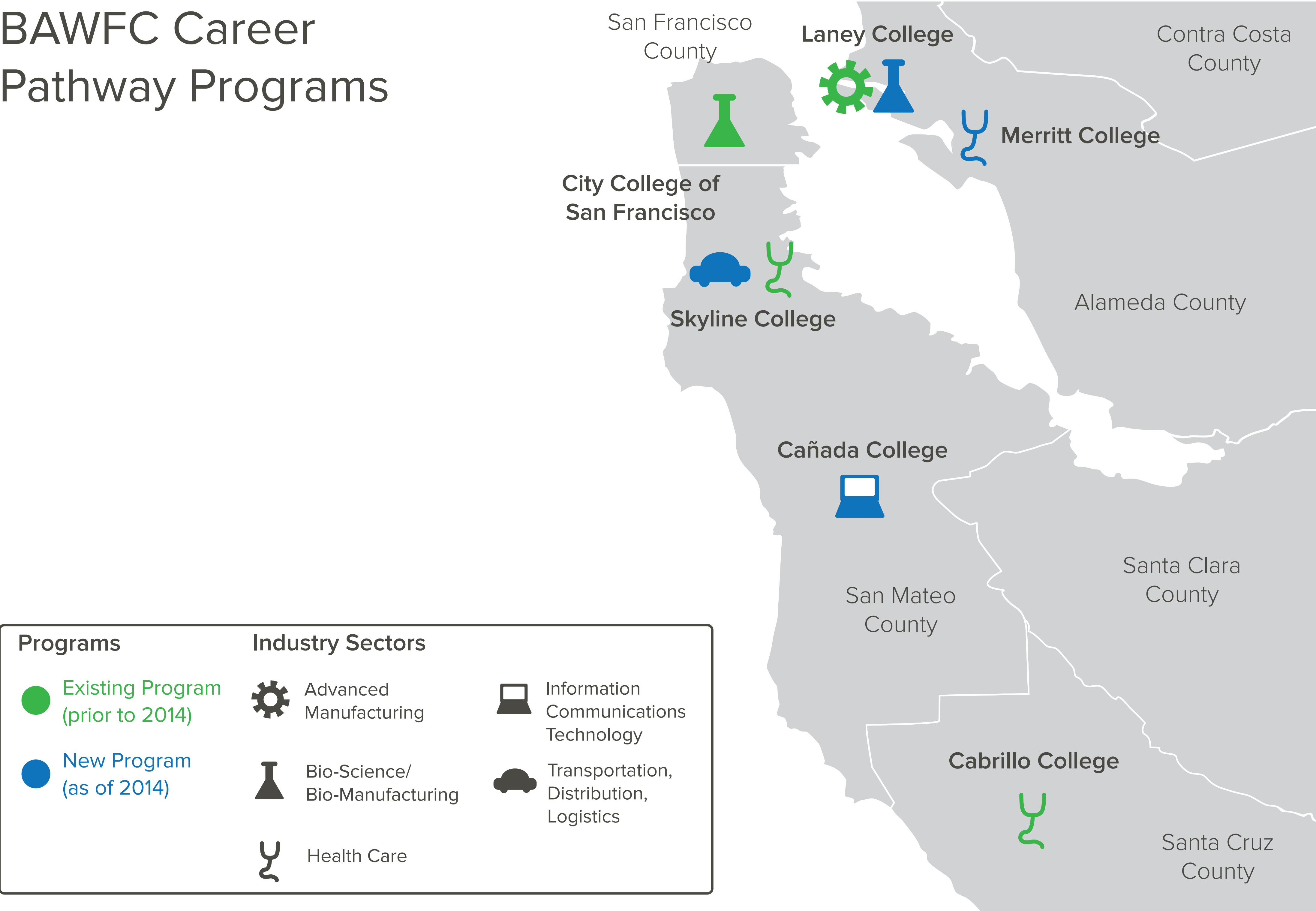


Bay Area Workforce Funding Collaborative

SF Bay Area, California

Since 2008, the BAWFC has focused its investments on building the workforce training capacity of community colleges. The BAWFC has made deep investments in six Bay Area colleges to improve training and employment outcomes, while also promoting long-term change in the way colleges design and deliver career pathway programs. BAWFC also invests in advocacy efforts and policy solutions that result in greater alignment of resources to community colleges, and creates more pathways of opportunity.

BAWFC Career Pathway Programs



Policy Wins Expand Career Pathways at Community Colleges



The education and training needs of communities have changed, and with it, the mission of community colleges. Yet state funding had not yet caught up with the times.

BAWFC believes investing in policy is critical to achieving long term and large scale change. In 2014-15, we invested \$175,000 in the CA EDGE Coalition to fuel policy change, activate partners, and align resources that address the new role, mission, and funding needs of community colleges to be a stepping stone to opportunity.

EDGE has achieved incredible wins for increased funding for career pathways, including advocating with legislative and state agencies to secure:

- \$50 million to the state’s budget for community college career technical education
- \$25 million to improve the success of adult education programs and integrate them with community college career pathway programs through the passage of AB86
- Creation of a state-wide workforce ‘dashboard’ through cross-agency collaboration to achieve greater accountability for the state’s human capital investments.

Through these efforts, Bay Area community colleges will have access to additional public funding, strengthening their ability to integrate and expand career technical programs that ensure more low-income residents greater access to career mobility.

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