GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT STRATEGIC HIRE REQUEST ____6/24/2022_____

Date

Site	Position	Justification
⊠GC □CC □DS	Please include: Position Title: Library Technician II Position #: CL-00581 FTE: 1.0 Level: CL-28	1. Key responsibilities of position: Perform a variety of technical duties related to library public service, circulation, and cataloging resources Manage the textbook reserves collection, analyzing usage statistics to keep the collection up-to-date and accessible to students Provide exceptional customer service to students and instructors, evaluating problem areas and implementing solutions for improved procedures and patron satisfaction Collaborate with library team members and other stakeholders to coordinate service delivery to our students and instructors, maximizing access to library services during frequent changes throughout the COVID-19 pandemic Ongoing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion professional development
	Department: Library	 2. Current status of position: X Filling a replacement position included in the budget o Filling a restructured position included in the budget Has an Org Mod been approved? Yes / No Org Mod approval date Filling a new position Has an Org Mod been approved? Yes / No Org Mod approval date Other (please specify)
		3. Strategic Staffing Rationale: Please address at least one of the following items: Legal mandates Accreditation requirements Health and safety priorities Critical threshold of instruction or support services Essential supervision Traditionally, the library has maintained operating hours from 7:30am-9:30pm in order to ensure that all students, regardless of their academic paths, have adequate access to resources (per ACCJC Accreditation Standards IIB1, IIC3). As a result of retirements, promotions and exits, the library staff will have been reduced from 6 full-time staff members to 2.

With only 3 staff, we have been forced to limit hours of operation to 8:00am-4:00pm (even this puts considerable strain on only 3 staff members, who must now supervise student workers and maintain visual supervision of the library space, while simultaneously doing their assigned work) - Leaving any/all students without access to library beyond 4:00pm.

As of July 8th – with the exit of one of our remaining 3 staff members, we will no longer be able to meet even this reduced level of service to students. We will no longer be able to offer even the minimum level of staffing to keep the library open. Below are the relevant factors:

- There must be two staff present for significant portions of each day (including opening and closing). This is because there must be one staff member on each floor to monitor and supervise. Previous attempts to block off the second floor have proven ineffective and have resulted in unsafe conditions (ACCJC Standard IIIB1).
- Student workers (who fill some of the work required to backfill the previously 6 positions) are required by law to have a staff member present to supervise.
- No student who comes to campus after 4:00pm currently has any access to books, materials or printing at the library. This will be reduced even further – even as the current operating hours represent inequitable and inadequate access to resources (per ACCJC accreditation standards above).
- Library staff contracts specify hours and expectations that limit the ability to move staff to day/evening hours that are not noted in their hire forms.
- In addition to supervising student workers and monitoring the library spaces, each staff member has assigned tasks which require focus and full attention. Having all of their hours dedicated to supervision and monitoring leaves them no time to accomplish their assigned work (circulation, cataloging, purchasing). This leaves core services and resources unprovided for students.

4. Budget Impact – Please specify the following:

- Is position included in the current budget? Yes / No
- Funding Source? Unrestricted / Restricted
- Smartkey and Salary Object: 1341003 / 2110
- Annual Salary at Step B: \$44,196