Commissioner's Spotlight

December 3, 2024

Spotlight Overview

- Overview of DHE's Imperative, Goal and Strategic Priorities
- Budget Proposal
- High-Impact Innovation Goals

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Overview of DHE's Imperative, Goal and Strategic Priorities

DHE Imperative

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DHE's Goal and Strategic Priorities

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Strategic Higher Education Finance (SHEF) Goals

The system for financing public higher education in the Commonwealth must address the following five high-level goals:

- Make college more accessible and affordable for students.
- Bolster institution funding to support student success.
- Ensure system-level capacity to foster innovation and collaboration.
- Align incentives on cost sharing between the state and campuses.
- Increase simplicity, transparency, and predictability for all.

Fair Share – FY24 and FY25 Funding

Education and Transportation Fund

			FY24 % of Fair	FY25 % of Fair
Sector	FY24 Allocation	FY25 Allocation	Share	Share
Education Allocation	476,500,000	538,500,000	48%	41%
Transportation Allocation	523,500,000	761,500,000	52%	59%
	1,000,000,000	1,300,000,000	100%	100%
Revenue Collections:		2,200,000,000		

- 1st year of Fair Share funded at \$1B with 52% dedicated to Education
- 2nd year of Fair Share funded at \$1.3B with 59% dedicated to Education
 - \$2.2B in actual collections in FY25 with use of surplus funds still under consideration

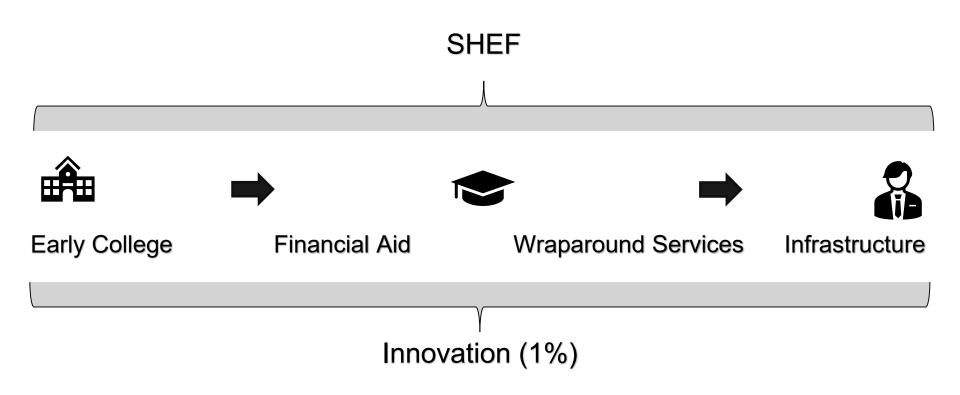
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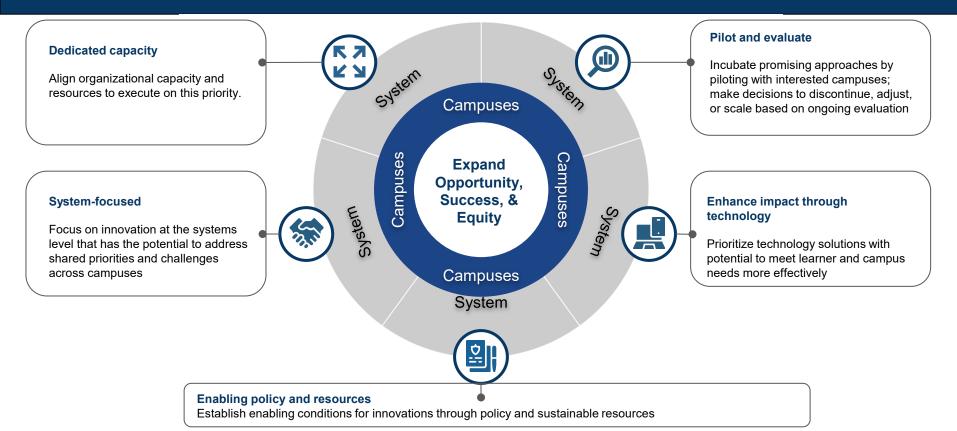
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Higher Education	FY24 Allocation	FY25 Allocation	Share	Share
Department of Higher Education	219,000,000	229,000,000	22%	18%
University of Massachusetts	10,000,000	10,000,000	1%	1%
	1,000,000,000	1,300,000,000	23%	18%
Revenue Collections:		2,200,000,000		

- 1st year of Fair Share funded DHE at 22% of budgeted funds
- 2nd year of Fair Share funded DHE at 18% of budgeted funds
- DHE maintained overall funding, however, budgeted funds grew by \$300M over year 1 with expansion allocated to other initiatives

DHE Fair Share Investment Proposal: Theory of Change



Facilitating and Fostering High-Impact Innovation



Thank You!