

MODERNIZING CAMPUS TECHNOLOGY AND LIFE SAFETY WITH ADVANCED IT SOLUTIONS

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PROJECT SUMMARY

The Community College of Aurora (CCA) is launching a comprehensive technology modernization initiative that aligns with its BRAVE 2030 strategic plan.

- Multi-Phase Initiative:
 - Enhanced Disaster Recovery Posture
 - Modernized Learning Environments
 - Improved Campus Safety Systems
- Positioning CCA as an innovative, agile, and industry-responsive leader.





FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

CCA is requesting a total of \$999,000 for phase 1 of 3.

Supplemented by a 5% cash contribution (\$49,950).

PHASE 1 OF 3: PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

1) Fully aligned with CCCS policies SP 6-10p and SP 6-10y

2) Reinforces CCA's Emergency Management initiatives

Key Activities

- Engage Consultant Develop and implement IT Disaster Recovery (DR) Plan
- Prioritize DR & Response Align with emergency management initiatives and CCCS standards
- Policy Compliance Meet CCCS IT Risk & Incident Response requirements
- Upgrade Infrastructure Enable failover between CentreTech & Centennial campuses
- Ensure Continuity Establish ongoing monitoring and maintenance procedures



PHASE 1 OF 3: STRENGTHENING DISASTER RECOVERY POSTURE





In May 2025, CCA completed the construction of its new data center at the CentreTech campus.



BUILDING NETWORK RESILIENCE

- Establishing a secondary site to replicate the primary production environment at CentreTech
- Ensuring rapid recovery within minutes during catastrophic events, and
- Reinforcing our Disaster Management posture supporting institutional resilience and agility.

WHY FUNDING IS CRITICAL

Without Approval

- CCA continues to operate on a Break-fix model
- Mission-critical services cannot be prioritized
- Strategic growth and innovation become stalled

Risks

- Escalating cybersecurity & operational threats
- Potential catastrophic system failures
- Increased downtime & costly repairs

With Funding

- Modern disaster recovery framework
- Enhanced threat detection & data protection
- Rapid recovery downtime reduced from days/weeks to hours

Impact & Outcomes

- Administrative & Operating Efficiencies: Reduced emergency repairs, improved strategic focus
- Return on Investment: Faster recovery, stronger data protection, safer campus
- Accessibility: Inclusive technology supporting all users
- Strategic Alignment: Directly supports BRAVE 2030 vision for a more resilient campus





THANK YOU QUESTIONS?

CCA's Vision Statement:

We aspire to be the college where every student succeeds.