

# On Affordability: Reflections and Practice From the Field









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# Table 1: Highest Educational Attainment, Population 25 Years and Over

	United States	Pennsylvania	Montgomery County	Norristown	Pottstown	
Less than 9th grade	6.0%	3.7%	2.1%	7.9%	2.5%	
9th to 12th grade, no	8.1%	7.7%	4.5%	10.2%	12.7%	
diploma						
High school graduate	28.3%	37.2%	25.5%	41.9%	42.6%	
(includes equivalency)						
Some college, no	21.3%	16.5%	15.8%	17.2%	18.8%	
degree						
Associate's degree	7.8%	7.6%	6.6%	5.8%	6.5%	
Bachelor's degree	18.0%	16.8%	26.0%	12.3%	11.8%	
Graduate or	10.7%	10.6%	19.5%	4.8%	5.2%	
professional degree						



 Table 2: Income and Benefits (in 2011 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars)

	United	Pennsylvania	Montgomery	Norristown	Pottstown	
	States		County	borough	borough	
Total households	114,931,864	4,955,421	307,530	13,052	9,670	
Median household income (dollars)	\$51,484	\$51,016	\$77,841	\$42,594	\$42,575	
Mean household income	\$70,909	\$68,543	\$103,616	\$53,844	\$53,602	
(dollars)						



## Table 3: Income and Benefits (in 2011 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars): Categories

	<b>United States</b>	Pennsylvania	Montgomery	Norristown	Pottstown	
			County	borough	borough	
Total households	114,931,864	4,955,421	307,530	13,052	9,670	
Less than \$10,000	7.4%	7.2%	3.5%	7.6%	10.3%	
\$10,000 to \$14,999	5.6%	5.8%	3.0%	8.9%	7.5%	
\$15,000 to \$24,999	11.0%	11.3%	6.6%	12.2%	12.0%	
\$25,000 to \$34,999	10.6%	10.7%	7.6%	10.7%	13.5%	
\$35,000 to \$49,999	13.9%	14.0%	10.3%	16.3%	13.5%	
\$50,000 to \$74,999	18.3%	18.8%	17.2%	21.6%	20.1%	
\$75,000 to \$99,999	12.0%	12.3%	14.4%	12.5%	10.1%	
\$100,000 to \$149,999	12.3%	11.9%	18.5%	7.2%	8.0%	
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4.5%	4.1%	8.8%	1.6%	3.0%	
\$200,000 or more	4.3%	3.8%	10.0%	1.3%	1.9%	



 Table 4: Income and Benefits (in 2011 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars): Cash Assistance and SNAP

	<b>United States</b>	Pennsylvania	Montgomery	Norristown	Pottstown	
			County	borough	borough	
Total households	114,931,864	4,955,421	307,530	13,052	9,670	
With cash public assistance income	2.8%	3.6%	1.7%	4.7%	5.3%	
With Food	11.7%	11.3%	4.0%	16.1%	16.0%	
Stamp/SNAP benefits						
in the past 12 months						

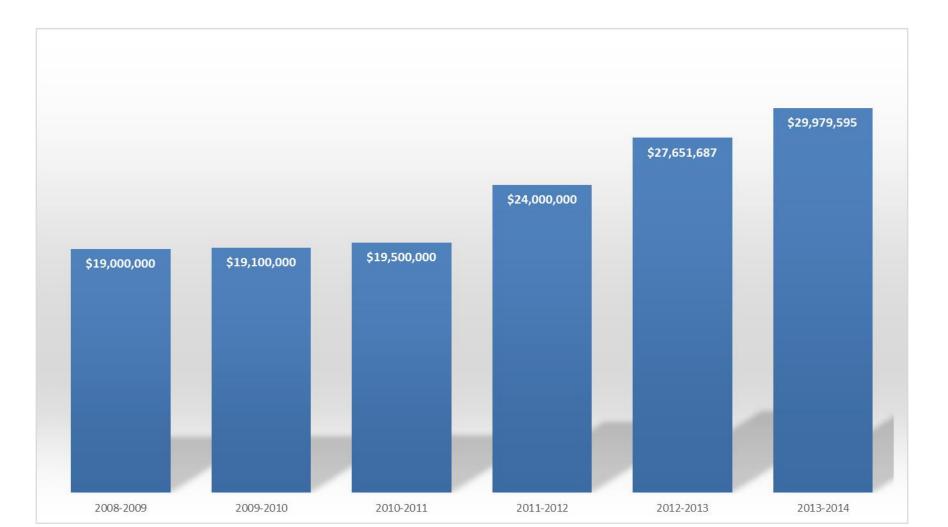


#### Table 5: Health Insurance Coverage

	<b>United States</b>	Pennsylvania	Montgomery County	Norristown borough	Pottstown borough
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	304,085,860	12,502,745	787,244	33,998	22,259
With health insurance coverage	84.8%	90.0%	93.4%	73.2%	90.0%
No health insurance coverage	15.2%	10.0%	6.6%	26.8%	10.0%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	73,901,825	2,777,079	182,266	7,924	5,325
under 18 years					
No health insurance coverage	8.0%	5.3%	3.2%	20.4%	0.9%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18	190,999,705	7,842,462	489,488	22,764	13,840
to 64 years					
In labor force:	147,590,986	6,062,678	408,444	18,844	11,141
Employed:	132,690,658	5,512,210	379,977	16,753	10,079
With health insurance coverage	82.4%	88.5%	92.5%	67.8%	84.4%
No health insurance coverage	17.6%	11.5%	7.5%	32.2%	15.6%
Unemployed:	14,900,328	550,468	28,467	2,091	1,062
With health insurance coverage	53.0%	60.2%	69.8%	44.0%	66.7%
No health insurance coverage	47.0%	39.8%	30.2%	56.0%	33.3%
Not in labor force:	43,408,719	1,779,784	81,044	3,920	2,699
With health insurance coverage	78.0%	86.6%	89.7%	77.3%	90.7%
No health insurance coverage	22.0%	13.4%	10.3%	22.7%	9.3%

### Montgomery County The Under Resourced Student

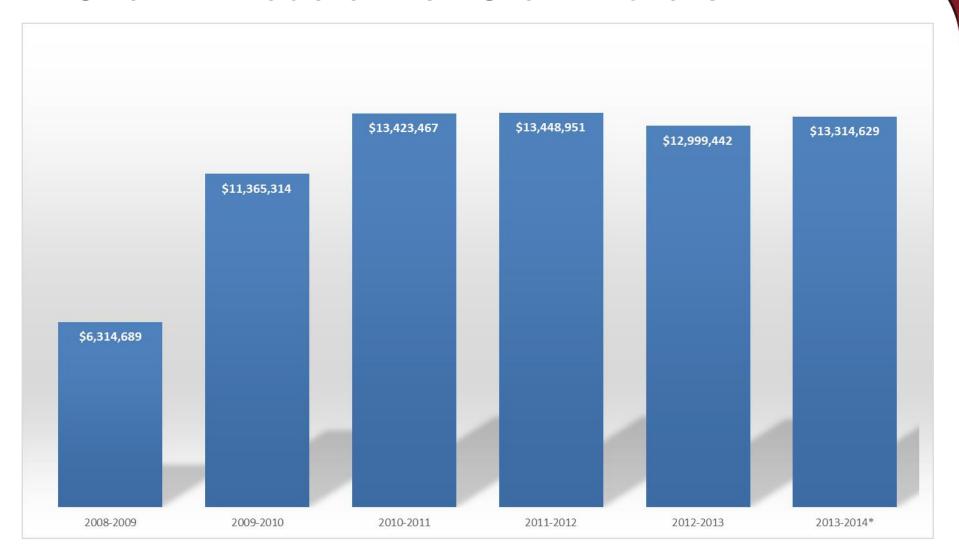
Graph 1: Student Unmet Need





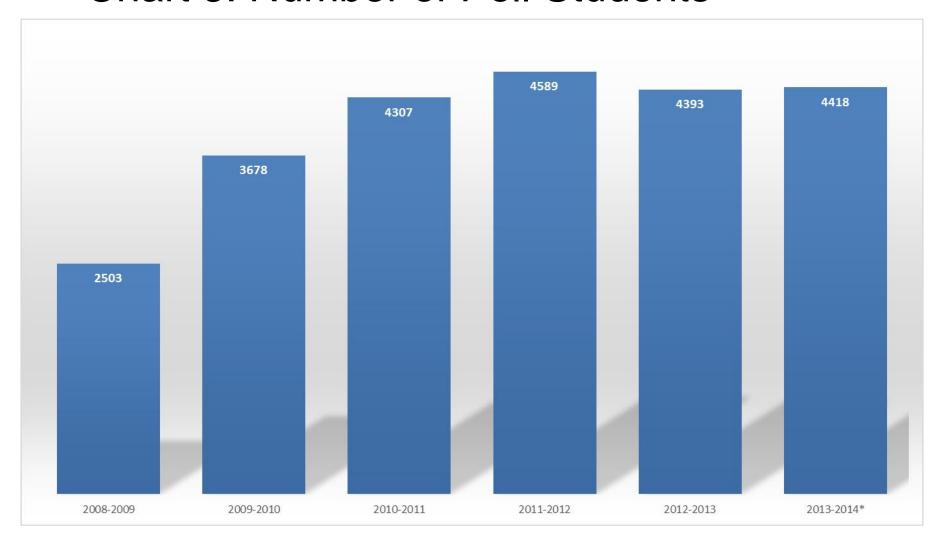


#### Chart 2: Federal Pell Grant Dollars





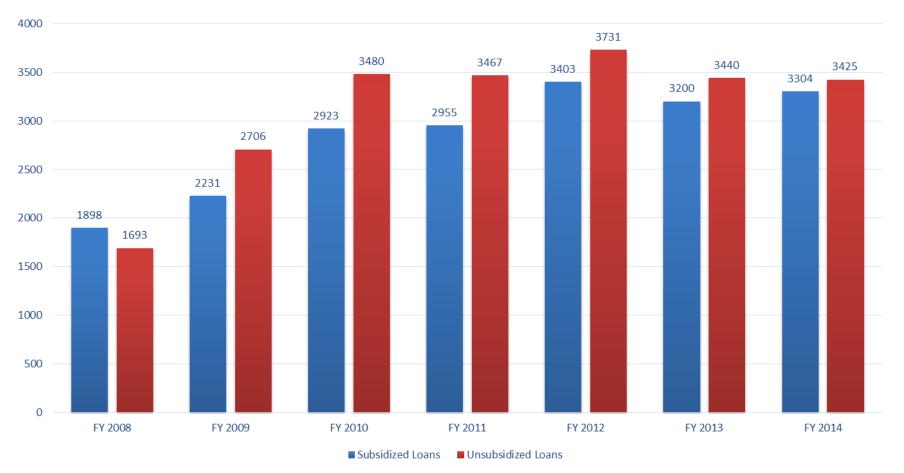
#### Chart 3: Number of Pell Students







### Chart 4: Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loan Numbers: FY 2008 to FY2014\*

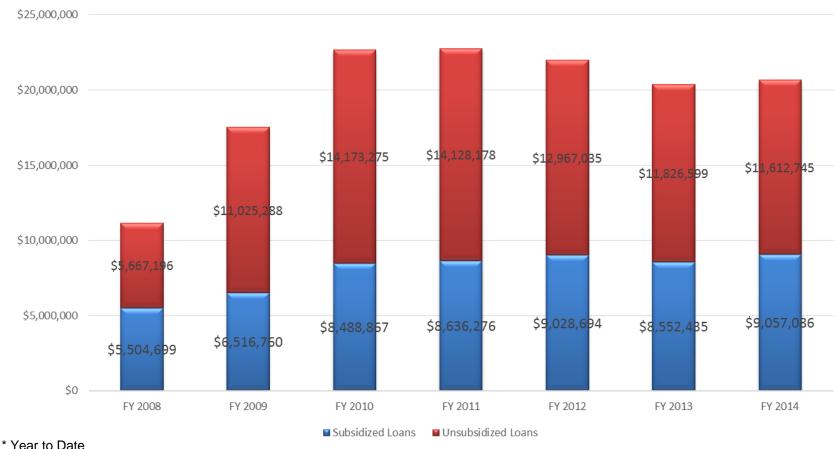


<sup>\*</sup> Year to Date

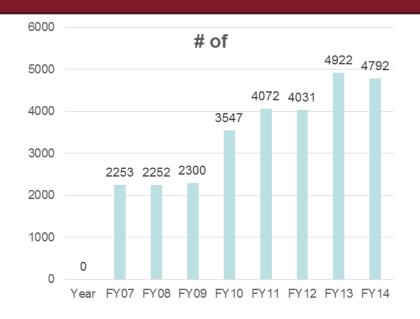




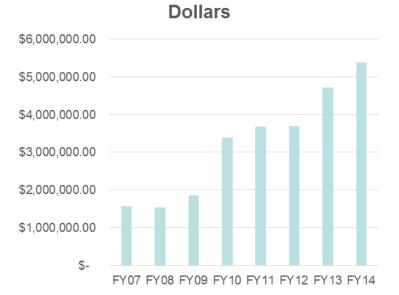
### Chart 5: Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loan Amounts: FY 2008 to FY2014\*





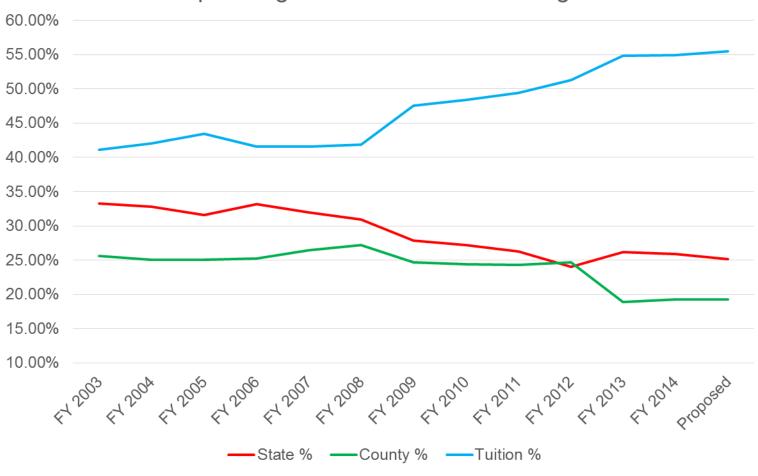


Year	Student Delinquency Rate
FY07	8.83%
FY08	6.79%
FY09	8.35%
FY10	8.20%
FY11	6.80%
FY12	5.93%
FY13	7.29%
FY14	15.17%



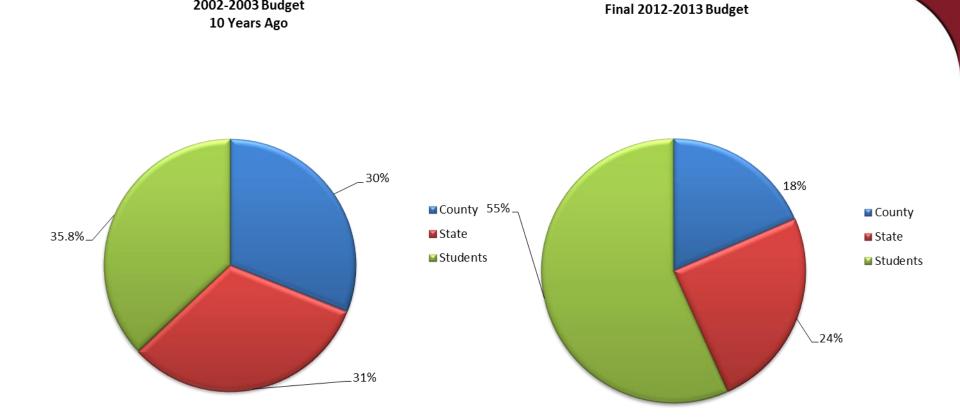






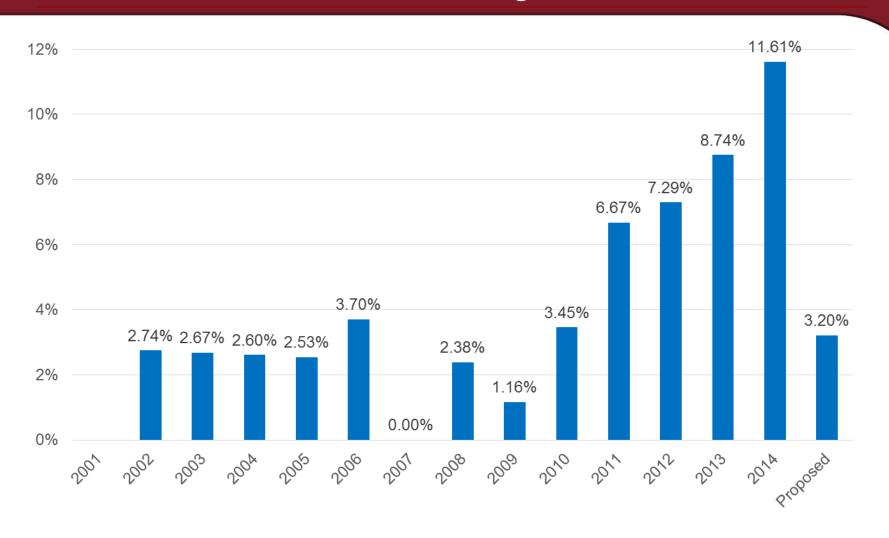


2002-2003 Budget





#### The College





#### Tuition vs. CPI Index

<u>Percentage</u>												
	2003- 2004		2005- 2006	2006- 2007	2007- 2008	2008- 2009	2009- 2010	2010- 2011	2011- 2012	2012- 2013		
Montgomery	2.6	2.5	3.7	0.0	2.4	1.2	3.5	6.6	7.3	8.7	11.6	3.2*
National CPI	1.9	3.3	3.4	2.5	4.1	0.1	2.7	1.5	3.0	1.7	1.5	2.0*
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# Affordability

- For Whom?
  - State policy makers
  - Local policy makers
  - Trustees
  - Donors
  - Students and Families



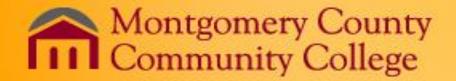
# In the Field Experiments

- Emergency loan funds
- Deferred payment plans
- Donor conversations about scholarship criteria
- College-funded work study
- Timing private aid disbursement to persistence
- Stock Up for Success Pantry



# THE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA





#### **FACEBOOK**



#### Montgomery County Community College

November 9 @

November is national scholarship month! Did you know MontCo has over \$300,000 in scholarships that may be available to you? Find out more about these scholarships and other financial resources in our new Blackboard site, MontCo Money. Sign up here: http://on.fb.me/16KyxGP



#### Montgomery County Community College

November 19 @

MontCo has plenty of resources available to help you take advantage of the financial assistance and options available to you. Find out more about these resources, get your questions about FAFSA answered, and learn about over \$300,000 in scholarships that may be available to you. Our new Blackboard site MontCo Money takes less than 30 minutes to complete and could be one of the best investments you make in your academic career. Find out more here http://on.fb.me/16KyxGP







PREPARATION

WAYS TO PAY FOR COLLEGE



Needs **Assessment National Data** Student Survey

Focus groups





#### **Information for Students and Parents**



**Montco Money Matters Resource** 

#### Resource **Analytics**

2,780 student Interactions from all segments of the pilot

> 425 students enrolled themselves into the course

1,279 students enrolled in course

240 of those enrolled provided feedback

95% polled would recommend the course

80% polled mentioned finances as a challenge

80% said course influenced academic financial

decisions

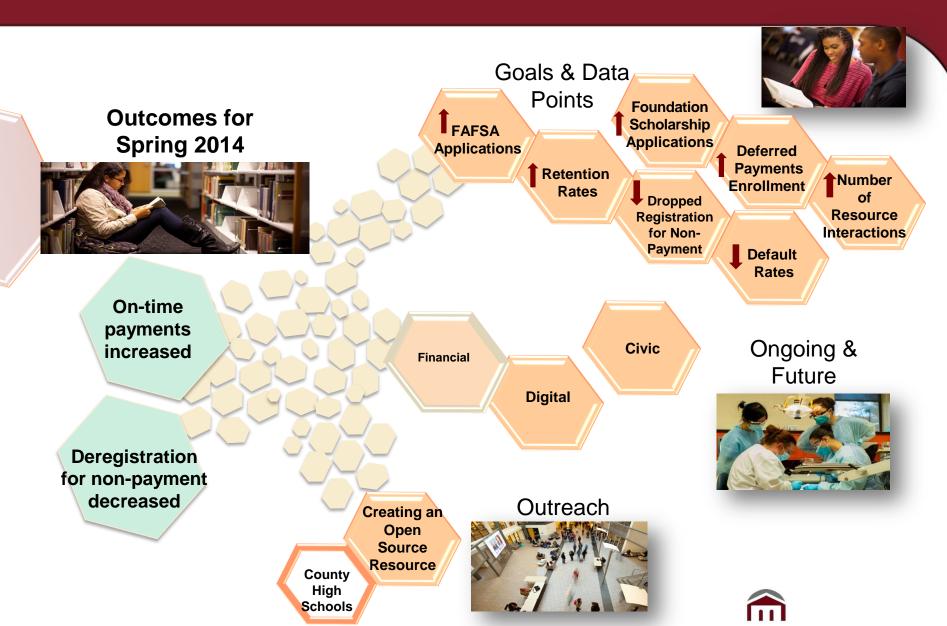














#### Observations

- Complexity
- Lack of coherence limits ability to match need to the neediest students
- Price sensitivity and access and completion
- Financial services versus financial aid
- Structured academic pathways and integrated advising, career and financial planning