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**Subject:** Fw: Instructional Technology Request Pattern

Hi Scott,

In January, I sent the message below to members of the College technology Committees and the related Deans. As I received no reply from anyone, I am not sure that I directed the message appropriately and that the matter has received any attention. I'd appreciate your assistance in bringing it to the attention of appropriate parties.

Thanks!

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**Subject:** Instructional Technology Request Pattern

To the College Instructional Technology Committees:

I coordinate the CARE (Chabot-Las Positas Association of Retired Employees) [Special Grants Program](#), which each year provides small grants to faculty and staff for special projects. I am writing to alert your committees to the following pattern of grant requests that may reflect a need that should be evaluated at an institutional level.

For the last three successive years, applicants from one or both colleges have sought grant funds to purchase Texas Instruments TI-84 graphing calculators. The requests have originated from particular individuals, centers, or campus units.

Following are examples of these proposals:

- [Increasing Student Access to Graphing Calculators](#)
- [HSI Gateway to Success Calculator Loaner Program](#)
- [Loaner Graphing Calculators](#)
- [Excelerated Math Program Purchase TI84 Calculators](#) (proposal late - not funded)

The CARE Special Grants are intended for start-up costs of pilot projects, but not for ongoing operational costs, so the CARE grants evaluation committee is unlikely to continue funding such isolated requests in the future.

Thank you for considering this input.

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