Modesto Jr. College proposes to establish a statewide program to meet the specific needs of re-entry students, in order to improve the access and success of such students to higher education. The program will address the problem of these students documented in several sources in matriculating through college due to barriers that hinder their retention.

The objectives of the program are to (1) identify and recruit 100 re-entry students to the program by Fall 1994; (2) increase access to educational services by conducting a re-entry week for them during September 1994; (3) increase the retention of participants by ensuring they are adequately assessed for services during Fall 1994; (4) increase the completion rates of LEP reentry students; and (5) increase the retention rate of participants from beginning of semester to the end of the term, through an Early Alert program that tracks and monitors student progress.

The Annual Workplan will include a comprehensive program of intervention services, including recruitment with other cooperating schools and agencies, a re-entry week of activities, with an accompanying handbook for students, adequate counseling and assessment, and the use of re-entry students as instructional aides and to assist with an Early Alert program. Appropriate methods of evaluation will be used to identify problems, make necessary adjustments and ensure the successes of the program. A dissemination plan will target not only Chief Student Services Officers, but matriculation directors and Academic Senate Presidents.