

# Basic ISAC Program Data 2024

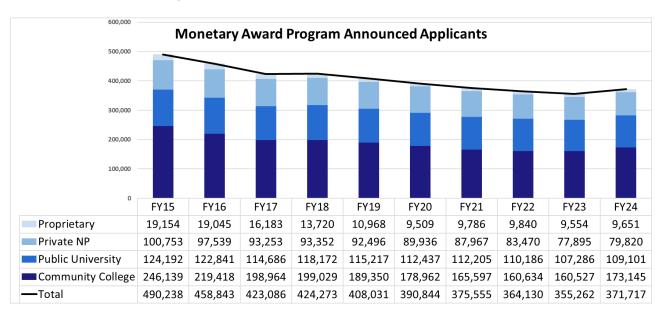
# **Monetary Award Program**

#### **Eligibility requirements**

- Enrolled in at least 3 credit hours at a MAP-approved school
- May be paid for up to 135 credit hours of enrollment
- Undergraduate Illinois residents with program-determined "need" greater than \$300
- May not be in default on any Title IV program

#### **Application Volume**

- Application volume peaked in FY2013 at more than 525,000 applications. Application volume then decreased every year since, with the exception of a slight increase in FY2018, when FAFSA filing began 3 months earlier. However, applications again increased in FY2024.
- Application volume decreased about 3.0% from FY2021 to FY2022. Volume decreased another 2.4% from FY2022 to FY2023. Volume increased from FY2023 to FY2024 by 4.6%. From FY2013 to FY2024 application volume is down just over 29%.
- Between FY2015 and FY2024, the largest decline was in the Public 2-Year sector, where volume was down almost 36%, compared to about 15% for Public 4-Year and 23% for PNFP institutions. The closure of several Proprietary schools contributed to sharp declines in that sector.
- Between FY2015 and FY2024, application volume from Independent students was down 46%, compared to a 15% decrease for Dependents.



Announced Applicants: Illinois residents who completed an application for financial aid, had not yet earned a bachelor's degree, and whose first-choice school participates in MAP. PNFP: Private Not-for-Profit institutions

#### **Program Funding**

In the past five years, nearly 100% of the MAP funding allocated for grant awards was spent.

Funding Allocated for Grants / Lapse (\$M)

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	Available			
Year	to Spend	Spent	Lapse	% Spent
FY2020	\$442.3	\$442.9	\$-0.6	100.1%
FY2021	\$442.3	\$440.6	\$1.7	99.6%
FY2022	\$470.0	\$467.7	\$2.3	99.5%
FY2023	\$589.0	\$595.9	\$-6.9	101.2%
FY2024	\$687.6	\$690.7	\$-3.1	100.5%

Selected program appropriations are available beginning with FY1980 in Table 1.0 of 2024 ISAC Data Book. During the time period covered by this report, ISAC has been authorized to use up to 2% of total MAP funding for operations. The "Available to Spend" figures above represent 98% of the annual program appropriation. In FY2020, FY2023, and FY2024 part of the 2% ISAC operation allowance was used for awards.

- In FY2013, award amounts for nearly 10,000 "released" applicants (those who were originally placed on a "wait list" for a grant) were reduced 10% to keep claims within the appropriation.
- In FY2015, Governor Rauner instituted a 2.25% across-the-board budget cut. In response, no suspended awards were released, but awards already announced were not reduced.
- In FY2016, no complete state budget was reached. MAP was appropriated \$169.8 million to cover first-term claims. An additional \$151.0 million was allocated for FY17 but designated to cover FY16 claims.
- In FY2017, the MAP appropriation was not provided until after the school year had ended.
- FY2018 was the first year of "early FAFSA." The filing season began on October 1, 2016 instead of January 1, 2017. Also, prior-prior year income was requested on the FAFSA instead of prior year, to enable the use of tax information that had already been filed.
- MAP received \$36m more in FY2018, \$50m more in FY2020, \$28m more in FY2022, \$122 million more
  in FY23, and \$100 million more in FY2024. These increases funded some much-needed updates to eligibility
  formula components as well as additional awarding, resulting in all eligible applicants being offered awards
  in FY2022 and FY2023.

#### Number of MAP Recipients and Dollars Claimed (\$Million)

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Year	Public	4-Year	Public 2	2-Year	PN	FP	Propr	ietary	Al	1
	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$
FY2015	43,167	\$153.3	42,121	\$39.8	38,656	\$151.7	4,455	\$12.5	128,399	\$357.2
FY2016	39,539	\$141.8	28,245	\$27.8	35,308	\$139.0	3,965	\$11.2	107,057	\$319.8
FY2017	43,267	\$154.1	37,296	\$36.1	37,013	\$145.2	4,003	\$11.1	121,579	\$346.4
FY2018	47,630	\$188.8	41,698	\$43.1	36,756	\$150.6	3,433	\$10.0	129,517	\$392.5
FY2019	47,335	\$187.7	41,110	\$42.3	37,330	\$153.4	3,090	\$8.9	128,865	\$392.2
FY2020	48,433	\$210.1	48,956	\$50.6	38,150	\$171.3	3,382	\$10.9	138,921	\$442.9
FY2021	49,114	\$211.2	49,272	\$49.8	37,655	\$167.3	3,876	\$12.3	139,917	\$440.6
FY2022	50,310	\$224.1	53,079	\$54.4	37,888	\$175.2	4,349	\$14.1	145,626	\$467.7
FY2023	48,791	\$281.2	57,735	\$84.1	35,849	\$212.5	4,378	\$18.1	146,753	\$595.9
FY2024	47,962	\$326.8	57,238	\$91.7	35,818	\$253.2	3,814	\$19.1	144,832	\$690.7

- In FY2024, 55.2% of MAP awards went to students with an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) of zero.
- In FY2024, 94.4% of MAP awards went to students who were Pell-eligible.

#### **Maximum MAP Award History**

	Statutory	Maximum	Effective
Award Year	Maximum	in Formula	Maximum
2013-14	\$6,468	\$4,968	\$4,720
2014-15	\$6,468	\$4,968	\$4,720
2015-16	\$6,468	\$4,968	\$4,720
2016-17	\$6,468	\$4,968	\$4,720
2017-18	\$6,468	\$4,968	\$4,869
2018-19	\$6,468	\$4,968	\$4,869
2019-20	\$6,468	\$5,340	\$5,340
2020-21	\$6,468	\$5,340	\$5,340
2021-22	\$6,468	\$5,496	\$5,661
2022-23	\$8,508	\$7,200	\$7,200
2023-24	\$10,896	\$8,400	\$8,400

The Effective Maximum differs from the Maximum Award used in the MAP Eligibility Formula when a reduction (or addition) factor is used to determine final awards. The full maximum award history is available in Table 2.0c of 2024 ISAC Data Book.

**Number of MAP Eligible Applicants Suspended** 

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	Public	Public			
Initial /Final Suspense Dates	4-Year	2-Year	PNFP	Proprietary	All
FY2014 – March 2 / March 20	19,248	120,722	16,654	9,336	165,492
FY2015 – Feb 28 / March 6	20,245	115,604	15,929	8,317	160,095
FY2016 – February 22	23,801	110,852	17,612	9,281	161,546
FY2017 – March 10 / April 15	12,485	75,837	11,098	5,168	104,588
FY2018 – January 16 / March 10	12,832	68,852	11,307	4,555	97,546
FY2019 – February 28 / April 5	10,994	59,043	12,762	3,088	82,799
FY2020 – April 29 / June 27	6,751	38,249	6,245	1,686	52,901
FY2021 – July 1 / August 23	3,469	17,470	3,618	1,269	25,826
FY2022 – August 27 / All Released	0	0	0	0	0
FY2023 – Never Suspended	0	0	0	0	0
FY2024 – September 23	3,252	21,032	3,280	1,164	28,728

Full MAP suspense history beginning with AY2000-01 in Table 2.0d, and additional data in Table 2.0e of the 2024 ISAC Data Book.

- The FY2024 MAP eligibility formula used the 21-22 Pell Table and 21-22 T&F to represent costs.
- Projected average *weekly claims for each month* at FY2024 application volume rates: October \$60M; November \$23M; December \$12M; January \$15M; February April \$7M; May \$8M; June \$6M; July \$5M; August \$6M; September \$2M.

# Average Taxable Income of FY2024 MAP Recipients

	Public	Public			
Student Type	4-Year	2-Year	PNFP	Proprietary	All
Dependent (Parental)	\$41,778	\$32,526	\$43,307	\$38,634	\$35,925
Independent	\$20,087	\$21,709	\$23,335	\$27,575	\$22,140

#### **MAP Grant Purchasing Power**

MAP has not offered full coverage of tuition and fees since FY2002. As application volume soared, and funds were directed towards serving more students, coverage declined to about two-thirds by FY2007, and to less than half (46% at Public 2- and 39% at 4-Year schools) by FY2012. Funding increases in FY2018, FY2020, and FY2022-FY2024 enabled formula improvements — removal of the reduction factor, use of 2021-22 tuition and fees in FY2023, improvements to the living allowance, and higher MAP Maximum Awards (from \$4,968 to \$5,340 in FY2020; \$5,496 in FY2022; \$7,200 in FY2023; and \$8,400 in FY2024).

As shown in the table below, formula improvements through FY2022 merely held tuition and fee coverage steady. In FY2022, MAP grants were (eventually) offered to all who applied, and application volume was still decreasing. As a result, the \$122 million increase in FY2023 and \$100 million increase in FY2024 focused solely on improving the formula. In FY2024, the maximum MAP grant covers 50% of sector-average tuition and fees at Public Universities, up from 33% in FY2002. At Private Institutions, the maximum MAP now covers about 19% of tuition and fees, up from 13% in FY2022. Due to relatively low T&F at community colleges, and the fact that 80% of Pell is included as a resource in the MAP formula, community college MAP awards are typically determined by maximum eligibility, rather than tuition and fees. In FY2024, a MAP grant for a community college student with no resources covers over 60 percent of tuition and fees. Additionally, nearly all community college MAP recipients, and more than 90 percent in other sectors, are also eligible for federal Pell grants. Students with no resources (zero EFC), which make up about 65% of community college and about 47 percent of four-year school MAP recipients, are eligible for the \$7,395 maximum Pell in FY2024.

Percentage of Sector-Average Tuition and Fees Covered by the Highest MAP Grant

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			Public 2-Year			Public 4-Year	
	Max Pell Award		Highest MAP				
Year	All Zero EFC	T&F	for Zero EFC	Percent	T&F	Max	Percent
	Students		Students			MAP	
FY2002	\$3,750	\$1,731	\$1,731	100%	\$4,786	\$4,786	100%
FY2007	\$4,050	\$2,465	\$1,650	67%	\$7,875	\$4,968	63%
FY2012	\$5,550	\$3,397	\$1,568	46%	\$11,990	\$4,720	39%
FY2013	\$5,550	\$3,527	\$1,568	44%	\$12,732	\$4,720	37%
FY2014	\$5,645	\$3,626	\$1,568	43%	\$13,382	\$4,720	35%
FY2015	\$5,730	\$3,809	\$1,568	41%	\$13,984	\$4,720	34%
FY2016	\$5,775	\$3,980	\$1,568	39%	\$14,535	\$4,720	32%
FY2017	\$5,815	\$4,157	\$1,568	38%	\$14,903	\$4,720	32%
FY2018	\$5,920	\$4,356	\$1,617	37%	\$15,182	\$4,869	32%
FY2019	\$6,095	\$4,444	\$1,617	36%	\$15,592	\$4,869	31%
FY2020	\$6,195	\$4,528	\$1,650	36%	\$15,936	\$5,340	34%
FY2021	\$6,345	\$4,599	\$1,650	36%	\$16,333	\$5,340	33%
FY2022	\$6,495	\$4,798	\$1,800	38%	\$16,539	\$5,496	33%
FY2023	\$6,895	\$4,895	\$2,700	55%	\$16,492	\$7,200	44%
FY2024	\$7,395	\$4,955	\$3,000	61%	\$16,817	\$8,400	50%

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# **Special Purpose Programs**

Additional information about each program in this section is contained in the 2024 ISAC Data Book.

#### **AIM HIGH**

- The Aspirational Institutional Match Helping Illinois Grow Higher Education (AIM HIGH) Grant Pilot Program was created to help increase overall Illinois college student retention and slow student outmigration
- Since the 2019-20 academic year, AIM HIGH has provided merit-based, means-tested student financial aid to first-time, full-time undergraduate students (including transfer students) attending any of the 12 Illinois public four-year universities.
- Institutions are also required to guarantee renewability and predictability for recipients, as well as match AIM HIGH state funds expended each year with new non-loan financial aid above institutional aid distributed in academic year 2017-18 or 2021-22, whichever is less.
- AIM HIGH is forward-funded. FY2023 appropriations were for awards made in AY2023-24.

#### AY2023-24 Expenditures

AY2023-24 Recipients

						Both State and	
	FY23 Final		Matching	State	Matching	Matching	
Institution	Allocation	State Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total
Chicago State	\$562,000	\$759,850	\$409,150	0	0	250	250
University	\$302,000	\$732,630	\$ <del>1</del> 02,130	U	Ü	230	230
Eastern Illinois	\$1,364,000	\$1,386,367	\$1,668,086	909	369	388	1,666
	\$1,307,000	\$1,360,307	\$1,000,000	202	307	366	1,000
University Governors State	\$932,000	\$938,072	\$972,526	208	214	92	514
University	\$732,000	\$736,072	\$772,320	200	217	)2	ЭІТ
Illinois State	\$5,427,000	\$4,594,000	\$10,024,649	307	0	1,846	2,153
University	\$3,727,000	\$ <del>+</del> ,32 <del>+</del> ,000	\$10,027,079	307	U	1,0+0	2,133
Northeastern Illinois	\$1,399,000	\$1,136,000	\$811,144	91	0	203	294
University	\$1,322,000	\$1,130,000	\$011,1 <del>11</del>	71	U	203	2)+
Northern Illinois	\$3,663,000	\$2,363,735	\$1,668,348	1,042	586	68	1,696
University	\$3,003,000	\$2,303,733	\$1,000,510	1,012	300	00	1,000
Southern Illinois	\$2,116,000	\$2,425,077	\$2,153,189	501	496	188	1,185
University-	Ψ2,110,000	\$2,123,077	Ψ2,199,109	501	170	100	1,103
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Southern Illinois	\$2,818,000	\$2,241,514	\$1,588,600	0	7	1,010	1,017
University-	Ψ2,010,000	Ψ2,211,311	ψ1,300,000		,	1,010	1,017
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University of Illinois	\$5,947,000	\$4,628,241	\$1,619,884	544	510	0	1,054
at Chicago	ψ3,>17,000	ψ1,020,211	Ψ1,012,001	3.1	310	V	1,001
University of Illinois	\$778,000	\$813,982	\$488,389	0	0	383	383
at Springfield	7.1.0,000	, , , , , , , , ,	, ,	Ť			
University of Illinois	\$8,113,000	\$8,136,041	\$5,695,783	1,658	1,444	0	3,102
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Western Illinois	\$1,854,000	\$1,350,957	\$1,201,506	122	956	98	1,176
University							,
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Total	\$35,000,000	\$30,773,835	\$28,301,254	5,382	4,582	4,526	14,490

# Early Childhood Access Consortium for Equity (ECACE) Scholarship Program

- Program was created to address the shortage of qualified early childhood educators by encouraging the
  pursuit of credentials and advancement of already-held degrees in early childhood education, with an aim
  toward building a strong, well-prepared workforce.
- Awards are available for undergraduate and graduate study (in FY2024) at public and non-profit private 2- and 4-year Gateways-entitled and Early Childhood Access Consortium for Equity member institutions.
- Although not a conditional grant, recipients of the scholarship are expected to continue or return to teaching
  or direct services in the early childhood care and education field in Illinois after they complete their program
  of study.
- The program was federally funded through 2024.

	Public	Public		
	4-Year	2-Year	PNFP	All
Expenditures				
FY2020	-	-	-	-
FY2021	-	-	-	-
FY2022	\$1,770688	\$1,182,557	\$2,775,894	\$5,729,139
FY2023	\$9,988,004	\$8,150,169	\$11,412,482	\$29,550,655
FY2024	\$26,021,054	\$18,991,428	\$31,399,956	\$76,412,438
Recipients				
FY2020	-	-	-	-
FY2021	-	-	-	-
FY2022	119	142	151	412
FY2023	544	949	644	2,137
FY2024	1,142	1,930	1,622	4,694

#### Illinois Veteran Grant Program

- Entitlement for qualifying veterans at public facilities.
- May be used for any year in school. May be used for credit and noncredit work. Recipients are entitled to
  the equivalent of four years of full-time benefits.
- Funding has been insufficient to cover claims since 2002. Schools have waived costs for eligible students.

	Estimated Total Claims	Paid by ISAC	Awards
Public 4-Year			
FY2020	\$12,038,050	-	1,542
FY2021	\$11,213,189	-	1,460
FY2022	\$9,781,944	-	1,275
FY2023	\$8,639,299	-	1,114
FY2024	\$8,390,135	-	1,044
Public 2-Year			
FY2020	\$3,129,272	-	1,631
FY2021	\$2,135,987	-	1,113
FY2022	\$1,775,307	-	886
FY2023	\$1,627,775	-	791
FY2024	\$1,514,949	-	780

Total			
FY2020	\$15,167,322	-	3,173
FY2021	\$13,349,176	-	2,573
FY2022	\$11,557,252	-	2,161
FY2023	\$10,267,074	-	1,905
FY2024	\$9,905,084	-	1,824

# Illinois National Guard Grant Program

- Entitlement for qualifying National Guard members at public facilities.
- May be used for any year in school. May be used for credit and noncredit work.
- Beginning with the 2013-14 academic year, members who have completed less than ten years of active duty
  can use the grant for a maximum of four academic years of full-time enrollment. Once ten years or more of
  active-duty ING service has been completed, the grant can be used for a maximum of six academic years of
  full-time enrollment.
- Funding has been insufficient to cover claims since 2003. Schools have waived costs for eligible students.

	Estilliated		
	Total Claims	Paid by ISAC	Awards
Public 4-Year			
FY2020	\$9,832,120	-	1,177
FY2021	\$10,367,254	-	1,319
FY2022	\$11,819,366	-	1,324
FY2023	\$11,960,804	-	1,362
FY2024	\$11,615,512	-	1,300
Public 2-Year			
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FY2020	\$1,982,326	-	830
FY2021	\$1,899,164	-	757
FY2022	\$2,071,670	-	840
FY2023	\$1,803,544	-	720
FY2024	\$1,817,621	-	683
Total			
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FY2020	\$11,814,447	-	2,007
FY2021	\$12,536,419	-	2,076
FY2022	\$13,891,037	-	2,164
FY2023	\$13,764,348	-	2,082
FY2024	\$13,433,133	-	1,983

The Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) receives an appropriation to reimburse community colleges for costs associated with waiving student tuition and fees under the IVG and ING programs. Beginning in FY20 this appropriation has been applied to the combined program claims.

Year	Legislative Appropriation	Schools
FY2021	\$4,264,400	\$2,754,319
FY2022	\$4,264,400	\$3,822,165
FY2023	\$4,264,400	\$3,419,297
FY2024	\$4,264,400	\$3,332,570

More detail on ICCB payments including reimbursement levels by institution is available on the ISAC Web site in the Research and Policy section on the Program Data page.

#### Grant Program for Dependents of Police, Fire, or Correctional Officers

- Serves children and spouses of officers killed or 90% disabled in the line of duty.
- The majority of awards are for dependents of police officers.

	Public	Public			
	4-Year	2-Year	PNFP	Proprietary	All
Expenditures					
FY2020	\$442,181	\$34,445	\$242,094	\$24,264	\$722,984
FY2021	\$324,591	\$21,531	\$364,135	\$23,514	\$733,771
FY2022	\$356,169	\$54,971	\$346,767	\$15,319	\$773,225
FY2023	\$349,229	\$54,549	\$377,139	-	\$780,917
FY2024	\$461,603	\$37,834	\$423,837	-	\$923,274
Recipients					
FY2020	35	10	15	1	61
FY2021	29	7	21	1	58
FY2022	28	12	22	1	63
FY2023	29	11	21	-	61
FY2024	34	20	10	-	64

# **Higher Education License Plate Program**

- Collegiate license plates are one type of specialty plate issued in Illinois. Public institutions with collegiate plates can draw the funds from license plate sales directly from the Comptroller's Office. HELP allows ISAC to be the conduit to the funds for private institutions.
- \$25 of each license plate sale for a school is placed into a fund for each participating school.
- Awards are need-based and may be for up to \$2,000 annually for full-time study. The actual number of recipients is not known - an average award of \$250 is used to estimate recipients.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	\$95,750	383
FY2021	\$99,950	400
FY2022	\$93,000	372
FY2023	\$94,300	377
FY2024	\$85,775	343

#### **Grant Program for Exonerees**

- Provides grants for up to the cost of tuition and fees to persons who have been issued a pardon by the
  Governor of the State of Illinois on the grounds of innocence of the crime for which they had been
  imprisoned or who have received a certificate of innocence from a circuit court. First funded in FY20.
- Benefits may be used to meet the costs of postsecondary enrollment at an Illinois public college or community college or for the cost of obtaining a high school equivalency certificate.
- Qualified applicants may receive Grant Program for Exonerees benefits for the equivalent of four regular school years (eight semesters) of full-time enrollment.
- There were no applicants in 2024.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	\$5,804	1
FY2021	\$5,827	1
FY2022	\$4,922	1
FY2023	-	-
FY2024	-	-

# Displaced Energy Worker Dependent Transition Scholarship Program

- Provides awards for the dependents of eligible displaced energy workers. Awards are limited to one year of full-time study. First funded in 2023.
- There was 1 applicant for 2024, with one eligible.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	-	-
FY2021	-	-
FY2022	-	-
FY2023	-	-
FY2024	\$14,119	1

# Minority Teachers of Illinois (MTI) Scholarship Program

- Encourages minority students to become teachers depending on the appropriation level up to 35% of funds may be reserved for minority males and up to 10% of funds may be reserved for qualified bilingual applicants.
- Recipients agree to teach for 1 year for each year of aid received or must repay.

	Public 4-Year	Public 2-Year	PNFP	Proprietary	All
Expenditures					
FY2020	\$742,481	\$13,134	\$943,339	-	\$1,698,954
FY2021	\$727,500	\$13,437	\$1,056,128	-	\$1,797,065
FY2022	\$722,871	\$20,271	\$1,018,296	-	\$1,761,438
FY2023	\$1,545,641	\$16,250	\$2,433,247	-	\$3,995,138
FY2024	\$2,466,618	\$21,195	\$3,839,883	-	\$6,327,696
Recipients					
FY2020	160	4	200	-	364
FY2021	152	4	223	-	379
FY2022	153	5	207	-	365
FY2023	218	3	345	-	566
FY2024	345	4	551	-	900

# **Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Program**

- Conditional grants for high school graduates to teach in high-need schools throughout Illinois.
- Awards \$5,000 annually for 4 years with a teaching commitment of five years; converts to loans if commitment is not met.
- ISAC does not select the recipients or provide recipient support- this is completed by the Golden Apple Foundation.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	\$2,511,080	687
FY2021	\$2,450,002	646
FY2022	\$2,876,540	711
FY2023	\$2,860,139	750
FY2024	\$2,682,315	731

# **Nursing Education Scholarships**

- Program previously administered by the Illinois Department of Public Health. First year of awards under ISAC is FY2023.
- Conditional grants for students pursuing a certificate in practical nursing, an associate degree in nursing, a hospital-based diploma in nursing, or a bachelor's or graduate degree in nursing.
- Awards pay a portion of tuition and fees (stipends vary with credential pursued) with a teaching commitment equal to the awarded period, converting to a loan if the commitment is not met.

	Public	Public			
	4-Year	2-Year	PNFP	Proprietary	All
Expenditures					
FY2023	\$308,223	\$32,598	\$930,748	\$768,348	\$2,039,918
FY2024	\$316,571	\$59,977	\$1,057,902	\$1,347,652	\$2,782,102
Recipients					
FY2023	32	10	71	80	193
FY2024	32	11	74	14	231

2024 Awards by Degree Type
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Degree Type	Expenditures	Recipients
Certificate in Practical Nursing	\$197,374	24
Associate Degree in Nursing	\$824,952	63
Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing	\$1,076,833	93
Graduate Degree in Nursing	\$682,943	51
Total	\$2,782,102	231

# Post-Master of Social Work School Social Work Professional Educator License Scholarship Program

- Provides conditional grant assistance to licensed social workers with master's degrees in social work who wish to obtain an Illinois Professional Educator License with an Endorsement in School Social Work.
- Designed to encourage students to work as social workers in Illinois schools and gives priority to minority applicants to encourage participation in the field. Up to 250 awards per year.
- Participants agree to work as a social worker in a qualified nonprofit Illinois public, private or parochial preschool, elementary or secondary school.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	-	-
FY2021	-	-
FY2022	-	-
FY2023	\$172,099	40
FY2024	\$100,127	16

# **Optometric Education Scholarship Program**

- Program funded by licensing and disciplinary fees.
- Recipients must be enrolled full-time and agree to practice in Illinois as a licensed optometrist for one year for each year of aid. Scholarships are limited to ten per year.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	\$47,500	10
FY2021	\$50,000	10
FY2022	\$50,000	10
FY2023	\$50,000	10
FY2024	\$50,000	10

#### Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program

- Provides loan repayment assistance to qualified mental health and substance use professionals.
- Designed as incentive for recruitment and retention of those who practice in underserved or rural areas and to seek to address the shortage of Illinois community-based behavioral workers.
- The amount of the annual award to qualified applicants to repay their student loan debt is based on their position and may be received for up to four years.
- First funded in 2023.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	-	-
FY2021	-	-
FY2022	-	-
FY2023	\$1,792,047	257
FY2024	\$1,820,931	256

# School and Municipal Social Work Shortage Loan Repayment Program

- Intended to encourage Illinois students to work as social workers in public school districts and Illinois municipalities.
- The program is intended to assist in paying eligible loans as an incentive to participate in the social work field, particularly by minority applicants, who are underrepresented as school and municipal social workers.
- A one-time award of up to \$6,500 is available.
- First funded in 2023.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients	
FY2020	-	-	
FY2021	-	-	
FY2022	-	-	
FY2023	\$516, <del>4</del> 65	81	
FY2024	\$1,299,728	224	

#### Nurse Educator Loan Repayment Program

- Pays up to \$5,000 to qualified nurse educators to repay their student loan debt for up to four years.
- Must work as a nurse instructor in an Illinois institution for at least 12 consecutive months prior to application.
- In FY2016, the Nurse Educator Loan Repayment Programs was not funded.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients
FY2020	\$262,314	53
FY2021	\$263,945	53
FY2022	\$263,379	54
FY2023	\$386,298	79
FY2024	\$303,425	62

# Illinois Teachers and Child Care Providers Loan Repayment Program

- Provides loan forgiveness to teachers qualifying for federal loan forgiveness. The childcare provider portion of the program is inactive as the corresponding federal loan forgiveness program was discontinued.
- Recipients can receive an additional matching grant of up to \$5,000 for teaching in a qualifying Illinois school.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients	
FY2020	\$437,425	95	
FY2021	\$439,900	90	
FY2022	\$439,900	96	
FY2023	\$302,397	64	
FY2024	\$344,384	71	

# John R. Justice Student Loan Repayment Program

- Pays annual awards up to \$4,000, with an aggregate total of up to \$60,000, for qualified state and federal public defenders and state prosecutors to repay their student loan debt.
- Recipients must agree to remain in their positions for at least three years, or any amount received must be repaid.
- The number of awards and individual dollar amount are subject to sufficient annual appropriations by the federal government.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients	
FY2020	\$56,025	24	
FY2021	\$56,642	17	
FY2022	\$56,680	10	
FY2023	\$133,036	13	
FY2024	\$179,023	30	

# Veterans' Home Medical Providers' Loan Repayment Program

- Pays up to \$5,000 for up to four years on eligible student loans to encourage medical providers to work at State of Illinois Veterans' Homes.
- Recipients must agree to work for one year as a medical provider in a State of Illinois Veterans' Home for each year of loan repayment.

Year	Expenditures	Recipients	
FY2020	\$26,107	6	
FY2021	\$26,400	10	
FY2022	\$26,400	6	
FY2023	\$26,400	11	
FY2024	\$26,329	6	

# Illinois Special Education Teacher Tuition Waiver (SETTW) Program

- Annually provides 250 four-year waivers of tuition and fees at an Illinois public university for students seeking to become Special Education teachers.
- Of the 250 waivers that may be awarded, 210 are designated for current and prior high school students and 40 are reserved for already-licensed teachers seeking an endorsement to teach Special Education.
- Recipients must agree to teach after receiving assistance or repay the assistance as a loan.

Year	Recipients
FY2020	248
FY2021	250
FY2022	250
FY2023	250
FY2024	250

#### College Illinois! Prepaid Tuition Program

- College Illinois is a tax-advantaged plan that secures future semesters of college tuition at rates set at the time of purchase. The plan offered a 3-tiered system that allowed the purchaser to select plans with prices based on tuition and mandatory fees at three higher education settings.
- Contract benefits can be used at eligible institutions of higher learning anywhere in the United States.
- Earnings are exempt from federal and Illinois income taxes.
- Program enrollment was closed during FY18.

College Illinois! Prepaid Tuition Program Cumulative Utilization of Program Benefits

Benefits Paid by Sector	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024
IL Public 4-Year	\$598,913,226	\$638,801,509	\$676,561,032	\$709,085,402	\$737,710,846
IL Public 2-Year	\$28,286,162	\$30,006,305	\$31,359,542	\$32,823,127	\$33,955,511
IL Private	\$205,187,308	\$220,218,949	\$232,823,509	\$243,792,083	\$252,700,824
Out-of-State	\$507,531,851	\$558,791,681	\$607,599,907	\$652,939,597	\$694,735,025
Total	\$1,339,918,547	\$1,447,818,444	\$1,548,343,990	\$1,638,640,209	\$1,719,102,206

Students by Sector	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024
IL Public 4-Year	19,196	19,065	20,890	21,579	22,120
IL Public 2-Year	6,193	6,485	7,323	7,557	7,756
IL Private	7,361	7,712	8,428	8,699	8,930
Out-of-State	16,617	17,764	19,732	20,849	21,794

Student recipient numbers are duplicated across sectors and should not be summed. A student who used benefits at both a university and a community college in the same year may be counted twice.

#### **Outreach Services**

• ISAC Outreach Services conducted more than 3,050 workshops, presentations, fairs, sessions, and other events on college going and finacial aid processes in 2024, reaching more than 63,300 Illinois students, parents, and professionals.

	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024
<u>Activity</u>					
Professional Development Workshops	158	130	143	192	188
Financial Aid Presentations	518	620	620	633	680
FAFSA Completion Workshops	899	1,153	926	864	891
College Fairs	65	14	71	91	123
College Prep Sessions	503	582	498	556	568
Other Events	698	457	624	614	605
Attendance at Outreach Events					
Students	54,500	28,000	43,000	43,000	37,500
Parents	20,500	14,500	17,000	17,000	20,000
Professionals	11,000	2,500	2,400	8,148	5,812
FAFSA Completion Initiative Participants	63.4%	67.0%	72.0%	71.3%	68.7%