

Education Stabilization Funds (ESF) Updates, Closeout, and Future Planning

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Stimulus Funds Overview

CARES Act

ESSER I & GEER

3/13/2020 - 9/30/2022

CRRSA Act

ESSER II

3/13/2020 - 9/30/2023

ARP Act

ESSER III, EBIS, Out of School Time, Summer School, LETRS, and Reading Initiatives

3/13/2020 - 9/30/2024

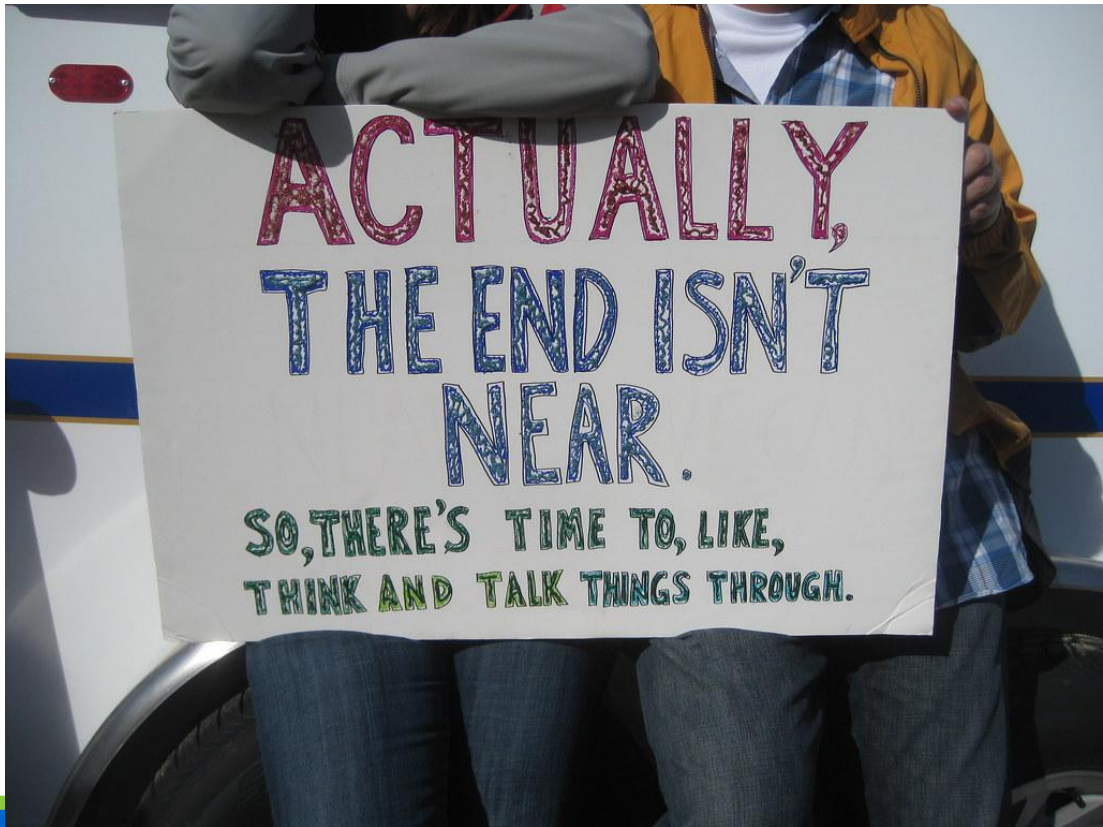
Crisis
Response

Resume /
Sustain
In-person
Instruction

Recovery
and Address
Unfinished
Learning

Activities must prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19





ACTUALLY,
THE END ISN'T
NEAR.

SO, THERE'S TIME TO, LIKE,
THINK AND TALK THINGS THROUGH.

Future Planning



- Review what went well / challenges
- Talk to students about their experience
- Talk to teachers about what tools worked well in their classrooms
- Communicate post-ESSER changes to your community
- Meet with DPI consultants to discuss continuing beneficial ESSER-funded activities with Title, IDEA, Perkins, etc. funds

Ensuring Equity in Future Planning



- **Equitable access to resources**
 - Staffing
 - Unfilled vacancies, attrition, pay rates, experience
 - Funding
 - Access to resources
 - Impact on schools with a greater percentage of children from low-income families
- **End of ESSER grant fund availability can amplify existing inequities**

Important Dates



- **All remaining ARP grants: ESSER III, EBIS, Out of School Time, Evidence-Based After School, Summer School, ARP-HCY, LETRS end September 30, 2024 (four months!)**
 - Recommend finalizing expenditures by June 30, 2024
 - Obligate funds by September 30, 2024
 - Binding, written commitment to obtain services
 - Staff time is obligated when staff perform the work
[\[34 CFR 75.707 - When Obligations are Made\]](#)
 - Final claims due to DPI by December 6, 2024

ESF Annual Reports

- **Data collection through WISEgrants**
Programs > ESF Reporting >
ESSER or GEER Reporting
- **Resources available:**
[Workbook](#), FAQ, summary of changes
- **FY 2024 ESSER reporting due Spring 2025**
- **FY 2025 ESSER reporting due Spring 2026**



Stimulus Grants Panel in WISEgrants

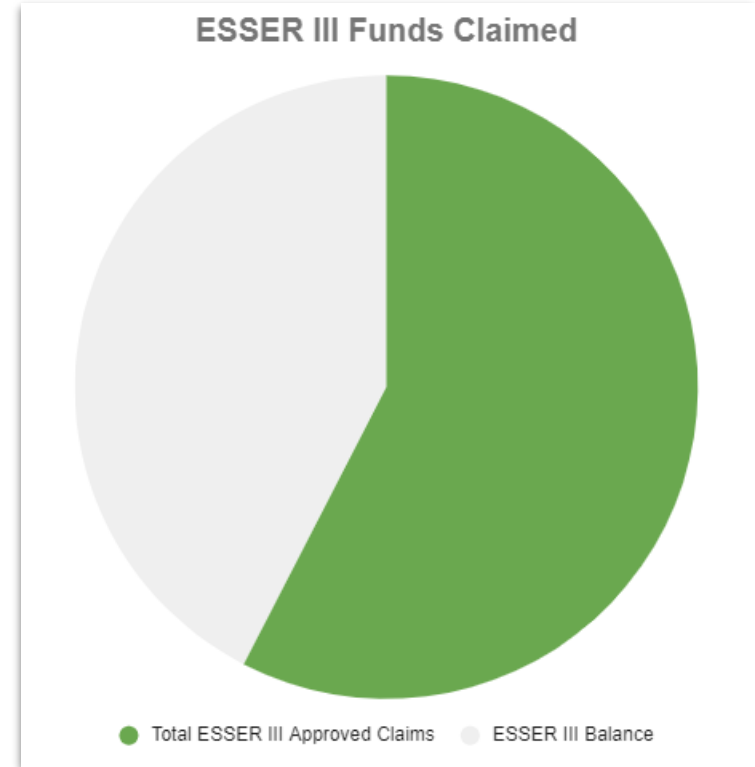
School District - Stimulus Grants - Grant Summary

This panel provides a summary of the LEA's education stabilization funds (ESF). Click the grant name to access the grant application and specific grant year in WISEgrants.

Grant	WISEgrants Grant Year	Grant End Date	Allocation Amount	Amount Claimed to Date (across all subbudgets)	Amount Remaining to Claim (total allocation – claimed to date)
ESSER I	2020-2021	9/30/2022	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00
ESSER II	2021-2022	9/30/2023	\$214,603.00	\$214,603.00	\$0.00
ESSER III	2021-2022	9/30/2024	\$198,871.00	\$102,012.38	\$96,858.62
ARP-HCY II	2021-2022	9/30/2024	\$1,550.00	\$0.00	\$1,550.00
EBIS	2021-2022	9/30/2024	\$148,564.00	\$0.00	\$148,564.00

ESSER III + Supplemental Funds Statistics

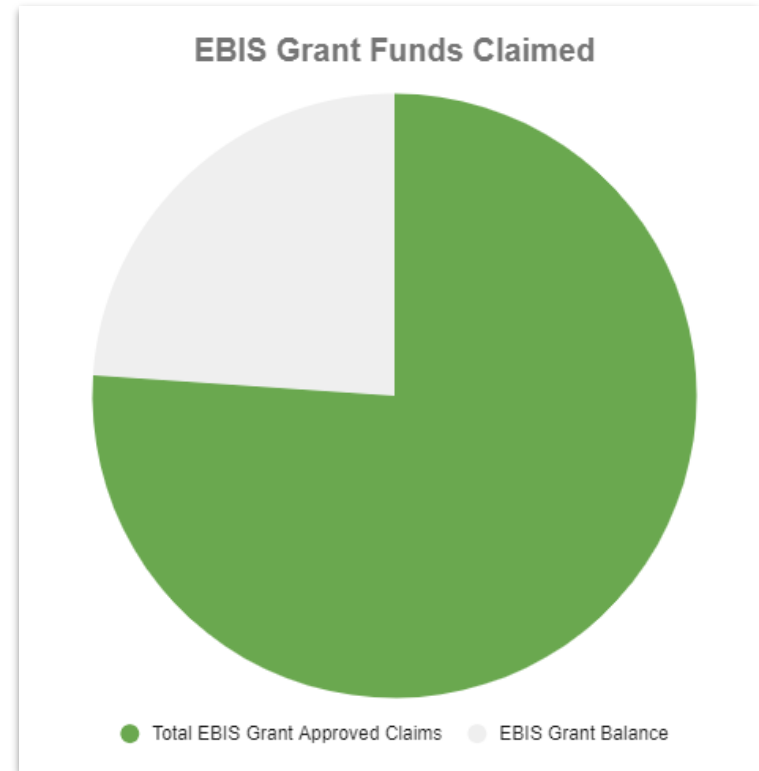
- 454 subrecipients
- **\$1.427 billion awarded**
 - \$822 million claimed (58%)
 - \$606 million balance (42%)
- Available through September 30, 2024



Claims data through May 3, 2024

EBIS Grant Statistics

- **132 subrecipients**
- **\$67 million awarded**
 - \$51 million claimed (76%)
 - \$16 million balance (24%)
- **Available through September 30, 2024**

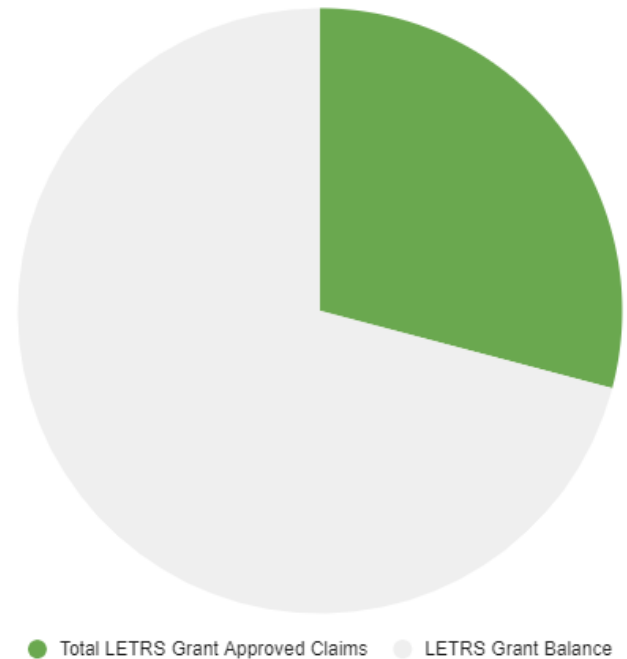


Claims data through May 3, 2024

LETRS Grant Statistics

- **\$4.17 million allocated**
- **All funds allocated as of April 30, 2024**
 - \$1.2 million claimed (29%)
 - \$2.9 million balance (71%)
- **Claiming in 2023-24 WISEgrants**

LETRS Reimbursement Funds Claimed



Claims data through May 3, 2024

Real Property

- Real property refers to the purchase of land, including land, structure improvements, and appurtenances (the attachment of a right or property to a more worthy principal) thereto, but excludes moveable machinery and equipment (§200.1).
 - includes new construction on existing land such as outdoor learning spaces, additions to a school building, or other construction, structural alterations to buildings, building maintenance, or repairs (i.e., upgrades to HVAC systems).
 - Minor remodeling (such as replacing flooring, replacing plumbing fixtures, replacing door knobs, etc), defined as minor alterations to a previously completed building, is excluded from the definition of real property.
- If an LEA uses federal funds to improve land or buildings, the federal government will hold interest in the real property (2 CFR §200.316)

Real Property- Recordation

- **Recordation (§200.330)**
 - **Grantees and subgrantees that have renovation, major remodeling, construction or real property project using \$1 million or more in Federal funds must record the Notice of Federal interest (NFI) in the official real property records for the jurisdiction in which the improved or purchased property is located.**
 - **More guidance will be released when it's available**
 - **Must be recorded by January 28, 2025**

Real Property - Reporting



- **Reporting on Real Property (§200.330)**
 - **The UGG requires LEAs to submit reporting annually on the status of real property for 15 years**
 - **DPI is developing the system for this requirement and will release guidance when it is available**
 - **Must be recorded by January 28, 2025**

Real Property - Disposition

- **Disposal**
 - If your LEA is disposing of real property or thinking of disposing of real property, please contact DPI



Davis-Bacon and Related Acts

Davis-Bacon and Related Act Compliance

- Applies to ALL contractors/subcontractors performing on construction and minor remodeling contracts in excess of \$2,000
- Includes laborers and mechanics



Davis-Bacon and Related Acts

- Prevailing wage determination
- Bids/contracts include contract clauses with Davis-Bacon
- >\$100,000 comply with Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (overtime)
- Use eligible contractors
- Prevailing wage determination posted at work site
- Collect certified payroll records weekly
- Report alleged Davis-Bacon violations
- Maintain documentation



Construction and Davis-Bacon Resources

- [Federal Stimulus Funds Updates: Construction \(Google Slides\)](#)
- [Federal Stimulus Funds Updates: Construction \(Video\)](#)
- [Construction and Federal Stimulus Funds](#)
- [How to Budget Construction in WISEgrants](#)
- [Davis-Bacon and Related Acts Compliance](#)
- [SAM.gov Prevailing Wage Determinations](#)
- [SAM.gov Exclusions](#)
- [U.S. Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division Davis-Bacon and Related Acts](#)
- Send questions to: essergrants@dpi.wi.gov

DPI Resources

- [ESSER III page](#)
- [ESSER III Reading Initiatives \(LETRS\)](#)
- [Out-of-School Time Grant Opportunity](#)
- [Summer School Grant Opportunity](#)
- [WISEgrants Podcast](#)
- [EBIS/ESSER III Helpline](#)
- Submit questions to:
essergrants@dpi.wi.gov
- Submit EBIS questions to:
EBISsupport@dpi.wi.gov

DPI Resources

- **ESF Open Office Hours weekly through September 30, 2024**
 - Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.
 - Thursdays: 1:00 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.
- essergrants@dpi.wi.gov

**THANK
YOU!**