

**STUDENT EMERGENCY AID
Finish Line Grant**

Guidelines for Students



Finish Line Grants are grants of **up to \$1,000** awarded to community college students who are on the cusp of completing their education or training and are faced with an unanticipated financial hardship that may prevent them from doing so. Too often, financial emergencies—like unexpected healthcare costs, childcare expenses, or car breakdowns—prevent students from completing their programs. Finish Line Grants are awarded to eligible students facing these **unforeseen** challenges. Grants can be used for course materials, housing, medical needs, dependent care, or other financial hardships that students face through no fault of their own.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Must have an **unforeseen** hardship. Pre-existing does not count.
2. Must be enrolled in a postsecondary degree/certification program.
3. Must have completed at least 25% of the degree or credential program.
4. Must have an academic GPA of at least a 2.0.
5. Must not have exceeded the cost of attendance (COA).

Application Process

The Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment Management is the primary contact for students requesting emergency aid.

Contact Information:

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Step 1: Make an appointment with the Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment Management (see above contact information).

Step 2: Complete the Finish Line Grant application.

Step 3: Describe in detail the unforeseen hardship.

Step 4: Provide and submit all requested documentation to the VP of Student Services and Enrollment Management.

The Finish Line Grant checks are written directly to the agency, not the student.

Students approved should be able to receive a Finish Line Grant within three business days upon submitting all documents required by the college.