

Process

Grants to governors for state fiscal relief to prevent cuts to key services, including \$39.5 billion to local schools and higher education institutions distributed through existing state and federal formulas, \$5 billion as incentive grants to states that make key performance measures, and \$8.8 billion to states for public safety and other government services, which may include education and education modernization, repair, and renovation.

Education Support	General Purposes	Program Enhancement and Block Grants
<p>A governor must use 81.8% of the state’s allocation (\$3.19B est) to support elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education, and as applicable, early childhood education programs and services.</p> <p>The governor shall first use the funds to: (1) provide funds to K-12 education and (2) to provide public higher education institutions in FY09, FY10, and FY11 the amount of funds needed to restore state support (excluding tuition and fees paid by students) to the level supported in FY 2006.</p> <p>Public higher education institutions shall use funds to mitigate the need to raise tuition and fees for in-State students, or for modernization, renovation, or repair of higher education facilities that are primarily used for instruction, research, or student housing, including recognized green building rating systems.</p> <p>HEA may not use funds for payment of maintenance systems, equipment, or facilities; modernization of athletic facilities; or facilities used for sectarian instruction or religious worship.</p>	<p>A governor must use 18.2% of the state’s allocation (\$709M est) for <u>public safety and other government services</u>, which may include K-12 and HEA modernization, renovation, repair, including recognized green building rating systems.</p>	<p>Pell Grants: \$15.64 billion for Pell Grants to retire the existing Pell Grant shortfall and increase the maximum Pell Grant award through a mix of discretionary and mandatory spending to \$5,350 (up from \$4,860) for the 2009-2010 school year.</p> <p>Teacher Quality Enhancement, State Grants: \$100 million for a competitive grant program for states to improve the quality of the teacher workforce, including reforms in the areas of alternative routes to teacher certification, teacher preparation, and teacher licensing.</p> <p>College-Work Study: \$490 million for colleges to support low and moderate-income undergraduate and graduate students who work while attending school (allocated via formula funding).</p> <p>Student Aid Administration: \$60 million for the U.S. Department of Education to administer the student loan and aid programs.</p>