

Pathways to Opportunity for Harper Students and Community

- An update on the:
- Igniting Paths to Student Success Scholarship
- Community Impact
 Fund Grant
- Finish Line Grants

Background



Igniting Paths to Student Success Scholarship

2021-2023

- \$12,000,000 available to award
- More than 1500 scholarship recipients
- \$3,845 average scholarship
- 47% enrolled part-time
- 9.9 average credits taken
- \$6.1 million awarded

Ignite "2.0" – 2023-2024

- \$382,700 available to award
- 63 scholarships awarded
- \$3,646 annually average scholarship award
- 40% enrolled part-time
- 11.3 average credits taken
- \$229,734 awarded



Ignite 2.0 Criteria (starting in 2025-2026)

Adjustments

- Scholarship will be refundable
- Total award amount of \$3,000

Impact

- MAP funding can be used to help pay for tuition and fees.
- The Ignite scholarship can be used for books and Cost of Attendance expenses
- Support additional students



Community Impact Fund Grant

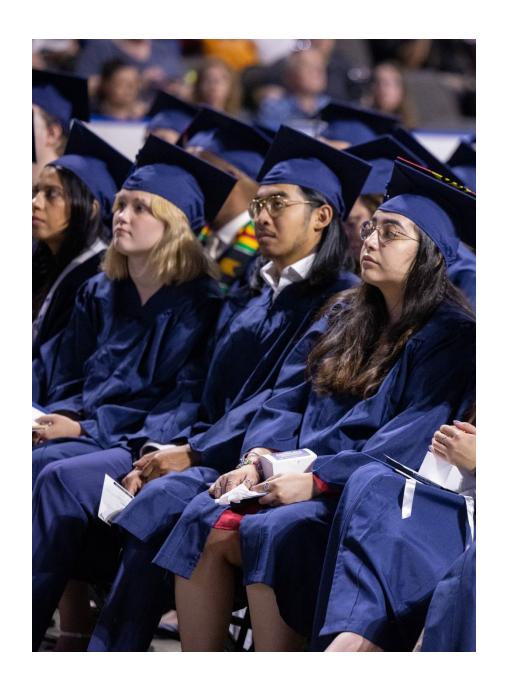


Inaugural Award: \$100,000 in June 2022; \$50,000 budgeted in 2023, 2024, and 2025

Purpose: Supports community non-profit organizations focused on equity, diversity, and economic mobility

Funding: \$190,000 awarded to 16 non-profit organizations

Communities Served: 23 communities in Harper's district



Finish Line Grant

- Harper College student pursuing a degree or certificate
- Must be at 70% completion (based on "My Progress" bar on My Harper Portal)
- Student must demonstrate financial need on the application
- Student must submit documentation supporting financial need
- \$250,000 budgeted annually

Finish Line Grant Top Requests



"Iam ready to complete my degree this spring and begin to work my dream job. Having paid for the semester, I have used up most of my savings from my summer job leaving me with very little left. The 45-minute drive from Marengo to Harper has me worried about paying for gas this semester. Last semester, I spent \$694.99 on gas from start to end of semester. I will use the money I am requesting on gas to get to school and my clinicals."

Future Pathways to Opportunity Support

\$250,000 budgeted for the Finish Line \$50,000 budgeted for CIFG \$396,815 budgeted for the Ignite Scholarship

