



NORTH CAROLINA
State Board of Education
Department of Public Instruction

Report to the North Carolina General Assembly

**State Reserve Funds for Transporting Students Experiencing Homelessness and in Foster Care
Public School Units (PSUs), Including Charter Schools, Virtual Schools, ISD, and Lab Schools
2021-2022SY Annual Report**
[S.L. 2021-180, sec. 7.12\(c\)](#)

Date Due: 3/01/2023

DPI Chronological Schedule, 2022-2023

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Description of Funding

The purpose of the State Transportation Reserve Fund for Homeless (McKinney-Vento) and Foster Children is to provide for a grant program to cover the extraordinary school transportation costs for homeless and foster children in Public School Units, [S.L. 2021-180, sec. 7.12\(c\)](#). The guidelines for funds are:

- North Carolina Legislature allots additional transportation funds for students experiencing homelessness and students in Foster Care
- Funding must be applied for or waived by a Public School Unit (PSU), including charter schools
- Allocations will be available from July 1 thru June 30 each school year
- NC Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) will receive the annual allocation through the NC state budget
- Funds are reoccurring funds within the state budget

Additional information about the funding source can be viewed in the Current Operations Appropriations Act, 2021 Session Laws 2021-180 (S.B.-105) Section 7.12(b), page 64.

Eligibility & Funding Amount

- Public School Units (PSUs), including charter schools
- Awards cannot exceed fifty percent (50%) of the extraordinary transportation costs
- Priority shall be given to applicants in proportion to the extent that their applications and prior-year expenditures demonstrate the use of available federal funds to cover the cost of transporting homeless and foster children

Requirements of Receiving State Funding

1. Complete the on-line application
2. Public School Units (PSU) Transportation Director, Homeless Liaison, and Foster Care Point of Contact (POC) must collaborate to determine students' transportation needs and receive the funding
3. In determining extraordinary transportation costs, the PSU must consider total prior year transportation expenditures including expenditures from local funds and all other funding sources, as a proportion of total expenditures
4. PSU are required to complete a brief end-of-year report, which will be available annually
5. All project funds are to be spent according to the proposed timeframe by the State
6. Recipients not in compliance will surrender the remaining funds and be required to reimburse their funds if not used appropriately
7. NC Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) will report each March to the State, as required

Administration of Funds & Oversight

1. The State Coordinator for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth and the State Point of Contact(POC) for Foster Care will work with the finance office to confirm allotments to eligible PSU on annual basis
2. Program needs assessments will include a section specific to the funding source
3. An annual End-of-Year report will be required of the recipients
4. Review of recipient's funds will be included through the desk, on-site, or small group monitoring of the Public School Unit (PSU)

Timeline for 2022SY Allocation: Year 1

Funding Received	January 10, 2022
Consultation with Finance, Transportation and Directors	January 11–27, 2022
Qualtrics Application Developed	January 11-27, 2022
Announcements of Funding	January 27, 2022

State Information Sessions Conducted	February 1-2, 2022
Application Released	February 1, 2022
Application Closed	February 8, 2022
Applications Reviewed and Allocations Determined	February 9-11, 2022
Allocations Approved by State Board of Education	March 3, 2022
Award Letter Finalize and Approved	March 3, 2022
Allotments Provided to Finance Department	March 10, 2022
Award Letter Notifications Released	March 17, 2022
End-of-Year Report Developed and Approved	April 1-15, 2022
End-of-Year Reporting by Public School Units Completed	June 1-17, 2022

2021-2022SY Approvals for Funding

- There were a total of 74 Public School Units (PSUs) that waived the funding opportunity
- There were 63 applications submitted by PSUs for the funding opportunity
- There were 19 applications from PSUs that reported "0" for identification or did not enter information in their application
- There were 44 applications from PSUs that were eligible for the funding opportunity and were recommended
- State Board of Education provided with the recommendations and provided approvals in March
- A list of recipients including their extraordinary costs and award amounts at 43.1% are listed below:

State Reserve Funds for Transporting Students Experiencing Homelessness and in Foster Care 2021 – 2022SY			
PSU	Homeless & Foster Care Total Count 2020 -2021SY	Reported Extraordinary Cost By PSU	Recommended Amount 43.1%
Asheville City Schools	170	\$1,500.00	\$647.00
Beaufort County Schools	129	\$19,175.00	8264..00
Cabarrus County Schools	421	\$971,102.18	\$418,545.00
Caldwell County Schools	221	\$3,000.00	\$1,293.00
Catawba County Schools	140	\$2,474.72	\$10,667.00
Chapel Hill Carrboro City Schools	77	\$2,300.00	\$991.00
Charlotte -Mecklenburg Schools	3759	\$701,442	\$302,322.00
Chatham County Schools	418	\$6,000.00	\$2,586.00
Cleveland County Schools	480	\$52,494.75	\$22,625.00
Columbus County Schools	54	\$19,581.16	\$8,439.00
Corvian Community School	1	\$200.00	\$86.00
Cumberland County Schools	525	\$701,498.10	\$302,346.00
Davidson County Schools	260	\$86,577.55	\$37,315.00
Davie County Schools	104	\$5,465.72	\$2,356.00
Edgecombe County Public Schools	59	\$2,736.57	\$1,179.00
Franklin County Schools	184	\$10,800.00	\$4,655.00
Gaston County Schools	559	\$139,286.71	\$60,033.00
Guilford County Schools	1732	\$493,441.05	\$212,673.00
Henderson County Public Schools	382	\$1,443.22	\$622.00

Hickory City Schools	58	\$2,000.00	\$862.00
Iredell Statesville Schools	259	\$154,212.37	\$66,466.00
Jackson County Schools	137	\$1,426.36	\$615.00
Johnston County Public Schools	510	\$106,458.84	\$45,884.00
Mooresville Graded School District	94	\$16,670.98	\$7,185.00
Mount Airy City Schools	48	\$5,000	\$2,155.00
New Hanover County Schools	1068	\$17,728.91	\$7,641.00
Newton Conover City Schools	36	\$33,345.00	\$14,372.00
North East Carolina Preparatory School	2	\$500.00	\$216.00
Onslow County Schools	360	\$168,076	\$72,441.00
Orange County School	76	\$4,004.00	\$1,726.00
Perquimans County Schools	68	\$4,020.22	\$1,733.00
Person County Schools	106	\$25,000.00	\$10,775.00
Public Schools of Robeson County	143	\$245,186.70	\$105,675.00
Randolph County School System	269	\$153,944.73	\$66,350.00
Rockingham County Schools	77	\$32,284.46	\$13,915.00
Scotland County Schools	78	\$3,000.00	\$1,293.00
Surry County Schools	119	\$8,083.14	\$3,484.00
Union County Public Schools	381	\$253,406.15	\$109,218.00
Vance County Schools	155	\$3,220.01	\$1,388.00
Wake County Public School System	4631	\$1,996,576.89	\$860,525.00
Warren County School	52	\$3,002.21	\$1,294.00
Wilson County Schools	232	\$3,412.44	\$1,471.00
Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools	593	\$77,479.23	\$33,394.00
Yadkin County Schools	79	\$5,130.05	\$2,211.00
GRAND TOTAL	19,306	\$6,543,687.42	\$2,821,669.00

Timeline for 2022-2023SY Allocation: Year 2

Announcements of Funding to PSUs	June 1, 2022
State Information Sessions Conducted	June 7, 2022
Application Released to PSUs	June 7, 2022
Application Closing Date	June 17, 2022
Applications Reviewed	July 1-30, 2022
Annual Funding Received for Year 2	July 1, 2022
Allocations Determined and Approved	August 19, 2022
Allotments Provided to Finance Department	August 22, 2022
Award Notifications to Public School Units	September 2, 2022
End of Year Reporting by Public School Units Completed	June 1-15, 2023

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2022-2023SY**

PSU	Homeless & Foster Care Count	Reported Extraordinary Cost By PSU	Recommended Amount 18.6%
American Renaissance School	5	\$2,042.00	\$380.00
Beaufort County Schools	51	\$89,941.00	\$16,730.00
Bladen County Schools	293	\$4,564.00	\$849.00
Buncombe County Schools	674	\$178,625.00	\$33,225.00
Burke County Schools	127	\$22,765.00	\$4,235.00
Cabarrus County Schools	621	\$1,204,254.00	\$223,992.00
Caldwell County Schools	216	\$5,699.00	\$1,061.00
Carteret County Public Schools	69	\$9,390.00	\$1,747.00
Catawba County Schools	175	\$21,566.00	\$4,012.00
Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	110	\$19,126.00	\$3,558.00
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	4532	\$4,543,914.00	\$845,168.00
Chatham County Schools	358	\$31,787.00	\$5,913.00
Cleveland County Schools	453	\$127,000.00	\$23,622.00
Columbus County Schools	72	\$19,581.00	\$3,643.00
Corvian Community School	1	\$2,325.00	\$433.00
Craven County Schools	124	\$1,354.00	\$252.00
Cumberland County Schools	1107	\$600,000.00	\$111,600.00
Currituck County Schools	79	\$1,225.00	\$228.00
D.C. Virgo Preparatory Academy	9	\$2,043.00	\$380.00
Davidson County Schools	283	\$64,658.00	\$12,027.00
Davie County Schools	157	\$66,761.00	\$12,418.00
Durham Public Schools	1135	\$125,000.00	\$23,250.00
Edgecombe County Public Schools	107	\$9,400.00	\$1,749.00
Franklin County	205	\$36,600.00	\$6,808.00
Gaston County Schools	689	\$542,063.00	\$100,824.00
Girls Leadership Academy of Wilmington	10	\$3,000.00	\$558.00
Granville County Public Schools (GCPS)	111	\$12,807.00	\$2,383.00
Guilford County Schools	2761	\$1,057,593.00	\$196,713.00
Harnett County	350	\$212,700.00	\$39,563.00
Haywood County Schools	477	\$1,500.00	\$279.00
Healthy Start Academy	12	\$1,000.00	\$186.00
Henderson County Public Schools	422	\$3,031.00	\$564.00
Hickory City Schools	78	\$1,861.00	\$347.00
Iredell Statesville Schools	157	\$248,649.00	\$46,249.00
Jackson County Public Schools	134	\$12,328.00	\$2,294.00
Johnston County Public Schools	465	\$80,883.00	\$15,045.00
KIPP Durham College Prep	10	\$2,500.00	\$465.00

Lee County Schools	399	\$108,944.00	\$20,264.00
Lenoir County Public Schools	118	\$4,985.00	\$928.00
McDowell County Schools	503	\$3,559.00	\$662.00
Montgomery County Schools	52	\$52.00	\$10.00
Mooresville Graded School District	82	\$45,742.00	\$8,509.00
Mount Airy City Schools	48	\$5,074.00	\$944.00
Movement Charter School	16	\$2,340.00	\$436.00
New Hanover County Schools	1329	\$23,001.00	\$4,279.00
Newton Conover	64	\$71,778.00	\$13,351.00
Onslow County Schools	476	\$246,073.00	\$45,770.00
Orange County Schools	96	\$48,267.00	\$8,978.00
Perquimans County Schools	81	\$7,505.00	\$1,396.00
Person	110	\$5,663.00	\$1,054.00
Public Schools of Robeson County	341	\$588,947.00	\$109,545.00
Randolph County School System	336	\$281,976.00	\$52,448.00
Ridgeview Charter School	3	\$50.00	\$10.00
RISE SE Raleigh Charter School	14	\$21,293.00	\$3,961.00
Rockingham County Schools	111	\$24,660.00	\$4,587.00
Rowan Salisbury Schools	353	\$69,371.00	\$12,904.00
Sampson County Schools	91	\$6,170.00	\$1,148.00
Southwest Charlotte STEM Academy	3	\$689.00	\$129.00
Stokes County Schools	63	\$27,862.00	\$5,183.00
Sugar Creek Charter School	59	\$7,998.00	\$1,488.00
Surry County Schools	53	\$21,605.00	\$4,019.00
Thomas Academy	22	\$22.00	\$5.00
Union County Public Schools	355	\$356,773.00	\$66,360.00
Wake County	4944	\$3,238,498.00	\$602,361.00
Warren County Schools	89	\$1,293.00	\$241.00
Wilkes County Schools	459	\$13,973.00	\$2,599.00
Wilson County Schools	265	\$128,238.00	\$23,853.00
Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools	1191	\$247,050.00	\$45,952.00
Yadkin County Schools	71	\$5,840.00	\$1,087.00
Total:	28946	\$14,984,826.00	\$2,787,211.00

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