

Fully Fund & Forecast State Need Grant

Increase student success and reduce student debt

18,000 eligible students aren't served.

Lack of funding impacts low-income students.

Financial stress definitely played a role in lower grades, fatigue, and inability to engage in classes fully. The stress and pressure from not having financial aid hurts families as well as students because of emotional stress and discord brought by financial stress.

I have two children to provide for...I am having to put more hours in at my job...pushing my homework into the late hours...I am fitting it all in by taking less classes (which has pushed my graduation date back at least a year) and working later hours at work.



RECOMMENDATION

Guarantee access to State Need Grant with a new Washington College Promise Scholarship.

- √ Increase college persistence and attainment.
- √ Reduce student debt.
- ✓ Eliminate waitlist for State Need Grant by 2021-22.

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