



# Nevada Department of Education Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund Update

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## COVID-19 Pandemic Relief Funding

- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES Act)
  - March 2020
- Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRSSA Act)
  - December 2020
- American Rescue Plan- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER)
  - March 2021

## CARES Act

First round of financial aid to pass:

- Two pots of funding.
- \$2.2 trillion economic stimulus bill passed in March 2020.
- Addressed the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Provided financial assistance to individuals, families, and businesses.
- Included direct payments, expanded unemployment benefits, and small business loans.

## ESSER I Funding-Funding

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER)
  - \$117 million
- 90% of funds went directly to local education agencies
- Supported distance education, cleaning supplies, and addressing learning loss.
- Remaining funds reserved for state-level activities.

## ESSER I Funding

- \$117, 185,045 million allocated to NDE.
- Funds had to be obligated by September 2021.
- Nevada spent 98.7% of the allocated funds on projects such as:
  - High-quality professional development
  - High-quality instructional materials
  - Learning devices for students
  - Subgrants to schools (90%) pass-through

## GEER I Funding

- Part of the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund.
- \$26 million awarded to Nevada.
- Provided emergency financial aid grants to students.
- Funded programs to address learning loss.
- Supported K-12 schools and higher education institutions.

## GEER I Funding-Status

- \$26,478,157 allocated to NDE.
- Funds had to be obligated by September 2021.
- Nevada spent 97.6% of the allocated funds on projects such as:
  - Online learning platforms and content
    - Canvas and Discovery Education
  - Translation services

### Second round of funding, again, two pots of funding: ESSER and GEER

- Nevada received \$477 million from ESSER II.
- 90% of funds went to LEAs.
- Remaining 10% for state-level activities.
- Activities similar to ESSER I, with more emphasis on learning loss and support for disadvantaged students.



## ESSER II Funding

- \$477,322,438 allocated to NDE.
- Funds had to be obligated by September 2023.
- Late liquidation has been approved and is currently underway.
- Nevada spent 99.3% of the allocated funds on projects such as:
  - Donor's Choose
  - Personalized-competency based education
    - Nevada Portrait of a Graduate
  - School-based mental health programs
  - Science of Reading

## GEER II Funding

- \$12,012,231 allocated to NDE.
- Funds had to be obligated by September 2023.
- Nevada spent 96.0% of the allocated funds on projects such as:
  - Infinite Campus enhancements
  - School-based mental health programs
  - Nevada Digital Learning Collaborative

## ARP ESSER

- ARP ESSER is the third round of ESSER funding.
- It is the largest round of funding, totaling \$122 billion.
- 90% of funds go directly to LEAs.
- Focuses on safely reopening schools and addressing learning loss.
- Supports students' academic and mental health needs.

## ARP ESSER

- Nevada received approximately \$1,072,783,189.
- Funding had to be obligated by September 2024.
- Standard liquidation process is under way, through January 2025, late liquidation request is in progress.
- NDE spent 98.8% on projects like:
  - Curriculum development
  - Birth-3<sup>rd</sup> grade system innovation
  - Afterschool Summer Enrichment Grant
  - Micro-credentialing

## Summary

- For further detail: [Federal Relief Tracker - Nevada Federal Relief Tracker](#)

Grant	Grand Total	Total Allocation	Remaining	Percentage	Status
ESSER I	\$ 126,794,061	\$ 117,185,045	\$ 1,502,031	98.72%	FINAL
ESSER II	\$ 475,650,054	\$ 477,322,438	\$ 3,275,873	99.33%	LATE LIQUIDATION
ESSER III	\$ 1,035,858,630	\$ 1,072,783,189	\$ 37,729,783	96.48%	LIQUIDATING
GEER I	\$ 26,309,375	\$ 26,478,157	\$ 637,248	97.59%	FINAL
GEER II	\$ 11,534,422	\$ 12,012,231	\$ 573,741	96.02%	LATE LIQUIDATION
EANS I	\$ 18,919,977	\$ 19,375,550	\$ 455,573	97.65%	LATE LIQUIDATION
EANS II	\$ 14,346,304	\$ 18,180,919	\$ 3,834,615	78.91%	LATE LIQUIDATION
<b>Total</b>	\$ 1,709,412,823	\$ 1,743,337,529	\$ 48,008,863	97.26%	