



YOUR GUIDE TO COLLEGE FUNDING

Are you curious about which funding source will cover your college costs? Here is a breakdown of general college funding sources and how they can help you afford a degree.

Note: This is not a comprehensive list. You may find other funding sources within these categories or in your community.

1. FEDERAL GRANTS

- Pell Grant
 - Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
 - Academic Competitiveness Grant
 - SMART Grant
- * FAFSA required to receive these grants.

2. STATE GRANTS

- Frank O'Bannon Grant
 - 21st Century Scholarship
 - Higher Education Award
 - Freedom of Choice Award
 - Adult Student Grant
- * FAFSA required to receive these grants.

3. COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Over 130 scholarship opportunities for Grant County, Indiana students. Our scholarships are available to students of every age, income level, academic ability, and athletic aim. Visit our website GiveToGrant.org to learn more and apply between November 1st and January 31st annually.

- * College Costs Estimator required to receive these scholarships.

4. COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Visit the website IndianaCollegeCosts.org to get tentative scholarship and financial aid awards from about 80% of Indiana's public and private colleges. Or ask your college admissions office what's available.

- * FAFSA may be required to receive these scholarships; check with your college of choice.

How College Funds Can Help You

Funding Type*	Tuition	Fees	Books	Travel	Personal	Room and Board
1. Federal Grants	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
2. State Grants	⊗	⊗				
3. Community Foundation Scholarships	⊗	⊗	⊗			
4. College Scholarships	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗

* It is important to note that colleges apply funds to your bursar's account in this order.

If a scholarship or grant is offered to you, the giving entity determines how it can be applied to your college costs. Not all scholarships and grants will pay for books, travel, and/or room & board. Additionally, colleges will always utilize outside funds before they award their own. Typically, funds are "stacked" to cover as many costs as possible. Since the college doesn't want to send back federal grants, state grants, or outside scholarships, they typically reduce their own scholarship offers if financial aid exceeds the cost of attendance (COA). This is why college scholarship offers can decrease once all outside funding is calculated.