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Item 213	First Year - FY2023	Second Year - FY2024
Higher Education Student Financial Assistance (10800) a sum sufficient, estimated at	\$129,404,66 1	\$151,404,661
Scholarships (10810)	\$129,404,661	\$151,404,661
Fund Sources:		
General	\$90,957,355	\$112,957,355
Higher Education Operating	\$38,447,306	\$38,447,306

Authority: Title 23.1, Chapter 29, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of this appropriation, \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year from the general fund is designated for Tidewater Community College to support an apprenticeship program for Virginia's shipyard workers. All general fund amounts appropriated for this apprenticeship program shall be used to provide scholarships to shipyard workers enrolled in the program. The conditions for receiving a scholarship shall be those conditions described in § 23.1-2912, Code of Virginia.

B. Funding in this Item shall be allocated for the Virginia Guarenteed Assistance Program, the Commonwealth Award and need-based student financial assistance for industry-based certifications or related programs that do not qualify for other sources of student financial assistance.

C. Up to 15 percent of the funding in this item may be used to support Virginia Guaranteed Assistance Program eligible students for (1) priority funding who are enrolled in Data Science and Technology, Science and Engineering, Healthcare and Education programs and (2) as a grant for students in innovative internship programs provided that the institutions has at least one private sector partner and the grant is matched equally by the partner with non-state funding and / or the institution from private funds.

D.1. Out of this appropriation, \$34,500,000 the first year and \$34,500,000 the second year from the general fund is designated for the Get Skilled, Get a Job, Give Back Program (G3 Program) pursuant to § 23.1-2911.2.

The programs covered under the G3 Program by Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Codes are as follows:

## **CIP Code Description**

- 11.0101 Computer and Information Sciences, General
- 11.0103 Information Technology
- 11.0201 Computer Programming/ Programmer, General
- 11.0701 Computer Science

- 11.0801 Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design
- 11.0901 Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications
- 11.1001 Network and System Administration/ Administrator
- 11.1003 Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance
- 13.0101 Education, General
- 13.1013 Education/Teaching of Individuals with Autism
- 13.1501 Teacher Assistant/Aide
- 15.0000 Engineering and Engineering-Related Fields
- 15.0101 Architectural Engineering Technology/Technician
- 15.0201 Civil Engineering Technology/Technician
- 15.0303 Electrical, Electronic and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician
- 15.0305 Telecommunications Technology/Technician
- 15.0599 Environmental Control Technologies/Technicians, Other
- 15.0612 Industrial Technology/Technician
- 15.0613 Manufacturing Engineering Technology/Technician
- 15.0699 Industrial Production Technologies/Technicians, Other
- 15.0899 Mechanical Engineering Related Technologies/Technicians, Other
- 15.0901 Mining Technology/Technician
- 15.1301 Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General
- 15.1302 CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician
- 15.1303 Architectural Drafting and Architectural CAD/CADD
- 15.1401 Nuclear Engineering Technology/Technician
- 15.9999 Engineering Technologies and Engineering-Related Fields, Other
- 19.0707 Family and Community Services
- 19.0709 Child Care Provider/Assistant
- 30.0101 Biological and Physical Sciences
- 41.0101 Biology Technician/Biotechnology Laboratory Technician
- 43.0102 Corrections
- 43.0103 Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Administration
- 43.0104 Criminal Justice/Safety Studies
- 43.0106 Forensic Science and Technology
- 43.0107 Criminal Justice/Police Science

- 43.0203 Fire Science/Fire-fighting
- 43.0303 Critical Infrastructure Protection
- 43.0406 Homeland Security, Other
- 43.9999 Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting and Related Protective Services, Other
- 46.0000 Construction Trades
- 46.0302 Electrician
- 47.0000 Mechanic and Repair Technologies / Technicians
- 47.0101 Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General
- 47.0105 Industrial Electronics Technology/Technician
- 47.0201 Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/Technician
- 47.0603 Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician
- 47.0604 Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician
- 47.0605 Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician
- 47.0607 Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician
- 48.0000 Precision Production
- 48.0501 Machine Tool Technology/Machinist
- 48.0508 Welding Technology/Welder
- 48.0599 Precision Metal Working, Other
- 48.0701 Woodworking, General
- 51.0601 Dental Assisting/Assistant
- 51.0602 Dental Hygiene/Hygienist
- 51.0603 Dental Laboratory Technology/Technician
- 51.0707 Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician
- 51.0708 Medical Transcription/ Transcriptionist
- 51.0713 Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder
- 51.0799 Health and Medical Administrative Services, Other
- 51.0801 Medical/Clinical Assistant
- 51.0803 Occupational Therapist Assistant
- 51.0805 Pharmacy Technician/Assistant
- 51.0806 Physical Therapy Technician/Assistant
- 51.0808 Veterinary/Animal Health Technology/Technician and Veterinary Assistant
- 51.0904 Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)

- 51.0907 Medical Radiologic Technology/Science Radiation Therapist
- 51.0908 Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist
- 51.0909 Surgical Technology/Technologist
- 51.0910 Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician
- 51.0911 Radiologic Technology/Science Radiographer
- 51.0912 Physician Assistant
- 51.0999 Allied Health Diagnostic, Intervention, and Treatment Professions, Other
- 51.1004 Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician
- 51.1005 Clinical Laboratory Science/Medical Technology/Technologist
- 51.1009 Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist
- 51.1105 Pre-Nursing Studies
- 51.1501 Substance Abuse/Addiction Counseling
- 51.1504 Community Health Services/Liaison/Counseling
- 51.1508 Mental Health Counseling/Counselor
- 51.1599 Mental and Social Health Services and Allied Professions, Other
- 51.1801 Opticianry/Ophthalmic Dispensing Optician
- 51.2706 Medical Informatics
- 51.3101 Dietetics/Dietitian
- 51.3501 Massage Therapy/Therapeutic Massage
- 51.3801 Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse
- 51.3899 Registered Nursing, Nursing Administration, Nursing Research and Clinical Nursing, Other
- 51.3901 Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training
- 51.3902 Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide

2. a. By December 1 of each year, the Office of Education and Labor Market Alignment within the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority System shall evaluate the skills and training including those provided through high school career and technical education, credentials, certifications, apprenticeships, internships, and other degree and non-degree programs needed for Virginians to fill jobs available in certified regional council areas.

b. Based on this evaluation, the Office of Education and Labor Market Alignment within the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority System shall make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly what programs should be offered in each region that qualify for financial assistance under the G3 Program.

c. All additions and changes to the eligible high-demand fields for which programs may be offered pursuant to this item shall be approved by the General Assembly prior to implementation.

3. In order to be eligible for financial assistance under this program at a qualified public institution, an applicant shall:

a. Receive a total household income less than or equal to four hundred percent of the Federal Poverty Level;

b. Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a full-time or part-time student at an approved institution in an approved program specific to a high-demand field, as specified in paragraph D.1., and shall be enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours per semester, or in an eligible non-credit program;

c. Have submitted complete applications for federal and state student financial aid programs for which they may be eligible.

d. In addition, healthcare workers, first responders and other essential workers as defined under Phase 1a and 1b of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Virginia Department of Health (VDH) and that are serving in the frontline of the COVID-19 pandemic shall, subject to the provisions of paragraph D.1. of this item, be eligible for programs offered under the G-3 initiative that enhance or upgrade their skills at no cost during the period that is covered under the state of emergency and for two years thereafter.

4. In order to remain eligible for financial assistance under this program at an approved institution, a participating student shall:

a. Meet standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress and maintain the required grade point average established by federal Higher Education Act of 1965 Title IV requirements;

b. Demonstrate reasonable progress to complete their specific program of study to earn an associate degree in no more than three years;

c. Not exceed 150 percent of required credits of certificate or degree.

5. a. Payments out of this appropriation shall provide (i) grants up to the amount necessary to pay for the lastdollar cost of the enrolled institution's tuition, mandatory fees, and textbook stipend for eligible students after all other qualified federal and state financial aid, and (ii) a Student Support Incentive Grant up to \$2,250 per year for eligible students who are enrolled full-time and receive full Federal Pell Grants.

b. Each Student Support Incentive Grant shall be distributed to the eligible students in two equal payments, with the first disbursement after the census date for the enrollment period is reached, and the final disbursement at the end of the term of which the students qualified. Students who withdraw or stop attending during the term shall not receive additional payments and shall be subject to repayment of the funds already received. An eligible student may receive up to \$900 per semester and up to \$450 per Summer Term.

6. a. Funds for marketing and public awareness efforts to increase participation in the program are contained in Item 212 V. of this act.

b. The governing boards of Virginia's public associate degree-granting institutions shall ensure that program participation does not exceed budget appropriation.

7. a. No later than September 1 of each year, each Virginia public associate degree-granting institution shall submit to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and the Virginia Community College System a report with data from the previous fiscal year on program participation and completion, including data on what high-demand fields are supported by students at each institution. b. The Council and System shall work collaboratively to compile the data provided by each public associate degreegranting institution and report such data, in aggregate and by institution annually, to the Governor, the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees, the Senate Education and Health Committee, and the House Education Committee. The report must include student enrollment, retention rates between terms and academic years, wage data including median wages prior to enrollment and one year after completion of a credential or degree, wage rates of students who have not enrolled in over a year and did not complete a credential, and a comparison of demand of jobs and completion rates. The report must disaggregate the information above by program of study, college, and student income level at start of program.