




SCHOLARS PROGRAM

# 2022-23 Impact Summary

## An Overview

 **2,960** Total scholars supported

 **1,098** Scholarship recipients who completed their educational goal

 **\$4.6M** Total funds distributed to students

 **14,229** Total students supported since inception in 2020

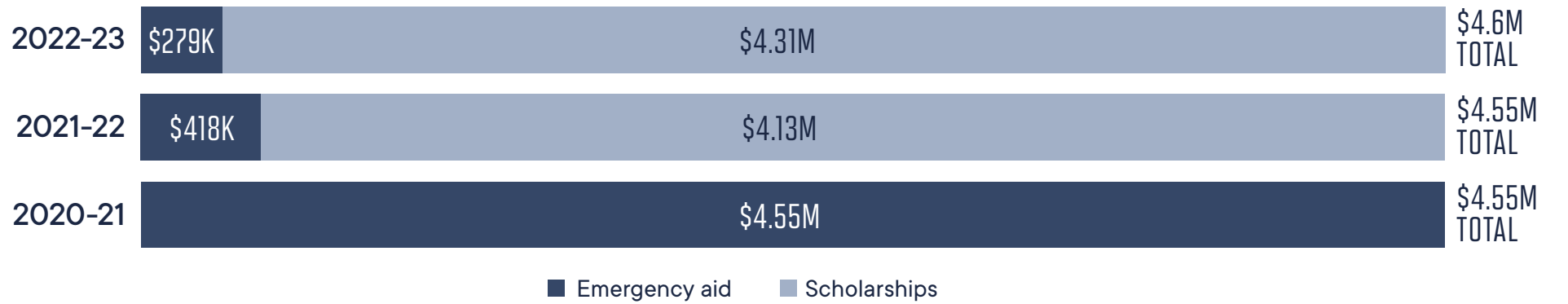
 **\$13.7M** Total funds distributed since inception in 2020

 **\$4.7M** Total funds distributed to colleges

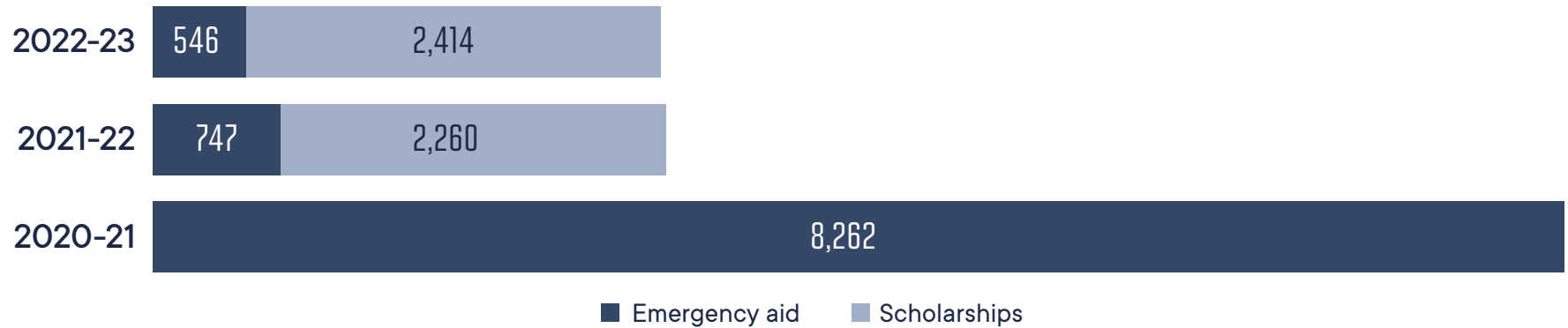
## Student Impact

Eliminating regional achievement gaps through scholarships and emergency financial aid.

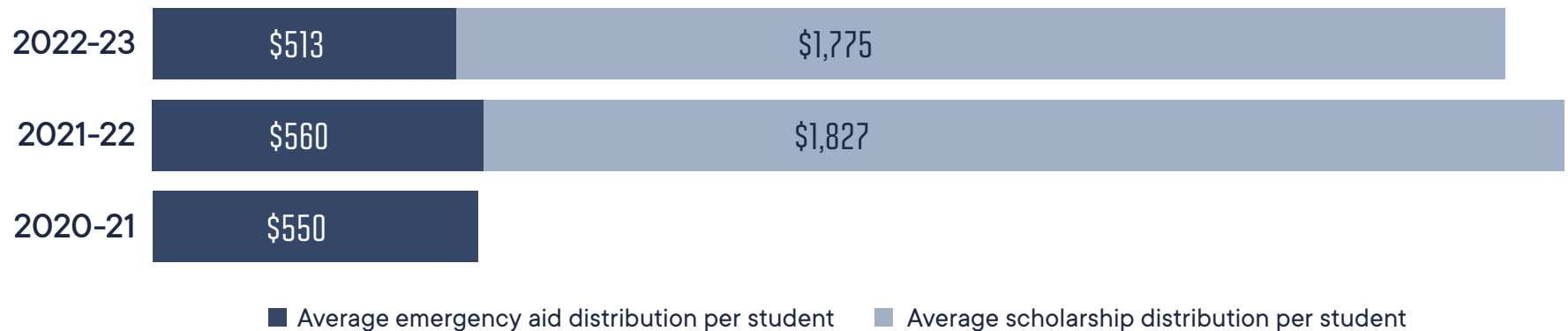
Total funds distributed to students



Total scholars supported



Average funds distributed to students



# About the Program

The **California Community Colleges Finish Line Scholars Program** supports students to ensure they stay on track with their education and complete a degree, certificate, or transfer to a four year college or university. The program is intended to **help eliminate regional educational gaps** through distribution of emergency financial aid to students facing unexpected hardships and scholarships to students who are well on their way toward a finish line goal of transferring to a college or university or completing a certificate or degree.

The Jay Pritzker Foundation has **pledged \$100 million over a span of 20 years** to support this program. For the first five years, starting in 2020, **scholarships and emergency financial aid** are being **distributed to students at 34 colleges in three regions of California:** the Inland Empire, the Central Valley, and the Far North.

These three regions have the lowest rates of educational attainment of adults. They also have a high percentage of students without access to broadband, students living below the poverty line, high school students who receive free or reduced price lunch, and other factors that make them a priority. Increasing the number of people who have a college education in these regions will **help decrease poverty and increase local opportunities.**

## Contact

For additional information, visit the Finish Line Scholars Program website at [foundationccc.org](http://foundationccc.org) or contact [advancement@foundationccc.org](mailto:advancement@foundationccc.org).

# Voices *of our* Scholars

Receiving this scholarship will relieve much of the financial strain I am currently experiencing and will help to keep me from going into debt. What this will also change is that it allows me to sit back and take a breath and appreciate what I have accomplished, and what lies ahead of me without becoming overly stressed about finances. Upon receiving the news of being a recipient of this scholarship I immediately had a feeling of relief and gratitude. Again, thank you very much for providing this scholarship to me and other recipients.

- Edgar M., Modesto Junior College

I am a mother of three children and a business owner. The Finish Line Scholarship has alleviated the financial burden of purchasing new technology. I was able to purchase a computer and iPad which will keep me academically competitive. With all of my other responsibilities I would have pushed the purchase to the bottom of my priority list as we do so often as parents. I now am looking forward to pursuing my educational goals and appreciate all of the support I received in the last leg of my journey here at Crafton Hills College.

- Autumn W., Crafton Hills College



First and foremost, I would like to say thank you from the bottom of my heart. It is truly a blessing for me to receive this scholarship! This will help me with all my nursing school expenses. It hasn't been an easy ride but this will make the experience a little less stressful. I am honored to be a chosen applicant! Thank you very much!

- Jasmine E.,  
Mt. San Jacinto College



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