## **American Rescue Plan (ARP) Grant Information Fall 2021**

Indiana State University began distributing the third round of Higher Education Emergency Relief Grants known as the American Rescue Plan (ARP) on Septembers 28, 2021. Approximately \$10.9 million in ARP grants are available for enrolled degree-seeking students. Over 9,900 students will receive an email inviting them to submit their request for grant funds, which are for the sole purpose of providing assistance for educational expenses or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus.

Students have the option of authorizing ISU to apply the funds to their fall account balance or they may elect to receive the funds in the form of a direct payment. Grant amounts will be based on financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with priority given to those with exceptional need. Students who do not submit a FAFSA are eligible for a flat amount.

This initial funding allocation represents 76 percent of the money required to be distributed to students. The remaining funds will be provided to students who need additional support while enrolled during the spring 2022, via a similar process and until funds are depleted.