



NC DHHS Notice of Funding Availability Reporting Form

DHHS Division/Office issuing this notice: NCDHHS Division of Social Services, Special Programs Unit

Date of this Notice: May 21, 2025

Title of the Funding Program: North Carolina Post-Secondary Education Assistance (Education Training Voucher and NC Reach)

Purpose of Program: To provide funding administration and case management services of North Carolina's Education and Training Voucher (ETV) and NC Reach Programs for current and former foster care young people that are pursuing post-secondary education and/or career and technical training.

Description of the Program: Within the John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 the ETV Program is designed as a federally-funded, state-administered initiative to provide funding and support for post-secondary education. Eligible students may receive grants of up to \$5,000 per year for up to five years or until their 26th birthday (in most states). ETV funds can be combined with other grants or scholarships to minimize or eliminate the need for student loans.

NC Reach is a state-funded scholarship offered to qualified applicants for up to 4 years of undergraduate study at NC public universities and community colleges. Available funding is awarded to students, after all other financial aid, public funds and scholarships have been processed and applied to their account. NC Reach provides comprehensive student support to help all students be able to navigate their post-secondary education.

Eligibility: Upon review of the Request for Application (RFA) agencies will be able to ascertain their eligibility; including their understanding of the ETV and NC Reach Programs.

How to Apply: Visit <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/public-notices> to download the application.

Question Submission Deadline: Thursday, May 28, 2025, by 5:00 PM

Application Deadline: Wednesday, June 11, 2025, by 5:00 PM

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