

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

HB Section(s): 3.065

Program Name: A+ Schools Program

Program is found in the following core budget(s): A+ Schools Program

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Affordability, Access and Success

1b. What does this program do?

This program provides tuition and fee reimbursement to eligible graduates of designated high schools to attend community colleges, public vocational or technical schools, or private two-year vocational or technical schools that meet the criteria outlined in Section 160.545, RSMo. The student financial assistance received through this program increases students' persistence and completion at qualifying postsecondary institutions by covering a significant portion of students' cost of attendance. Students who qualify for federal non-repayable financial aid, such as Pell grants, will have their A+ reimbursement reduced by a corresponding amount.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.

| | FY 2018 Actual | FY 2019 Actual | FY 2020 Actual | FY 2021 Projected | FY 2022 Projected | FY 2023 Projected |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Number of Unduplicated A+ Students Paid | 12,865 | 13,039 | 13,493 | 13,770 | 14,180 | 14,600 |
| Number of designated schools* | 615 | 622 | 630 | 630 | 630 | 630 |

*For informational purposes only - The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, has statutory authority to designate A+ high schools.

First-Time, Full-Time Degree-Seeking A+ Recipients

| | FY 2018 | | FY 2019 | | FY 2020 | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Students ** | Total Grants | Students ** | Total Grants | Students ** | Total Grants |
| Public Two-Year Institutions | 7,556 | \$21,074,260 | 7,715 | \$22,946,158 | 7,902 | \$24,925,798 |
| Area Vocational/Technical Schools | 124 | \$534,135 | 122 | \$505,337 | 94 | \$344,191 |
| Private Two-Year Institutions | 58 | \$223,094 | 56 | \$225,494 | 60 | \$248,492 |
| Total | 7,738 | \$21,831,489 | 7,893 | \$23,676,989 | 8,056 | \$25,518,481 |

** Student numbers may be duplicated due to transfer

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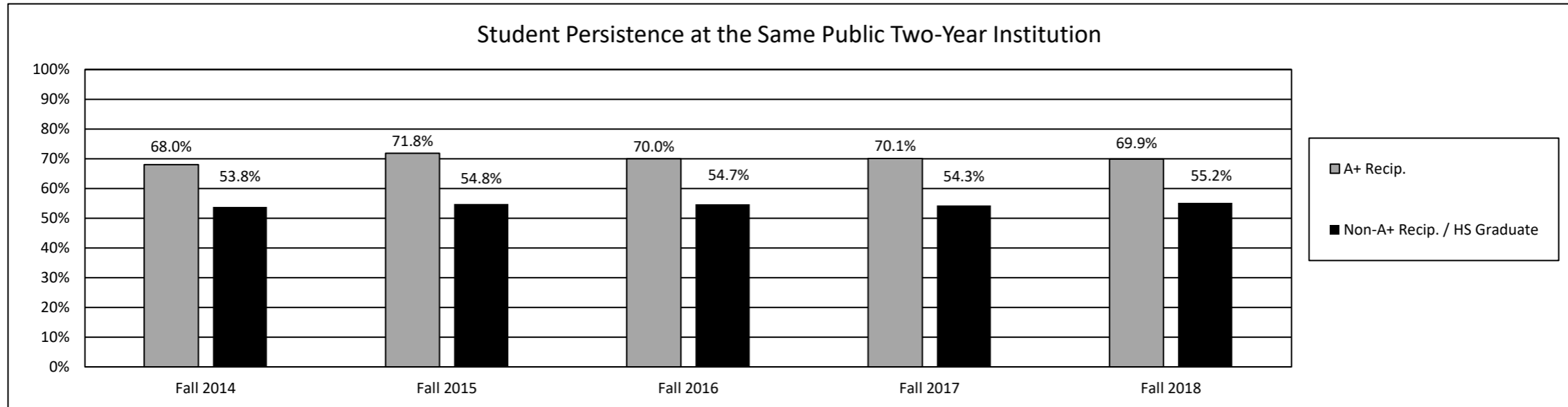
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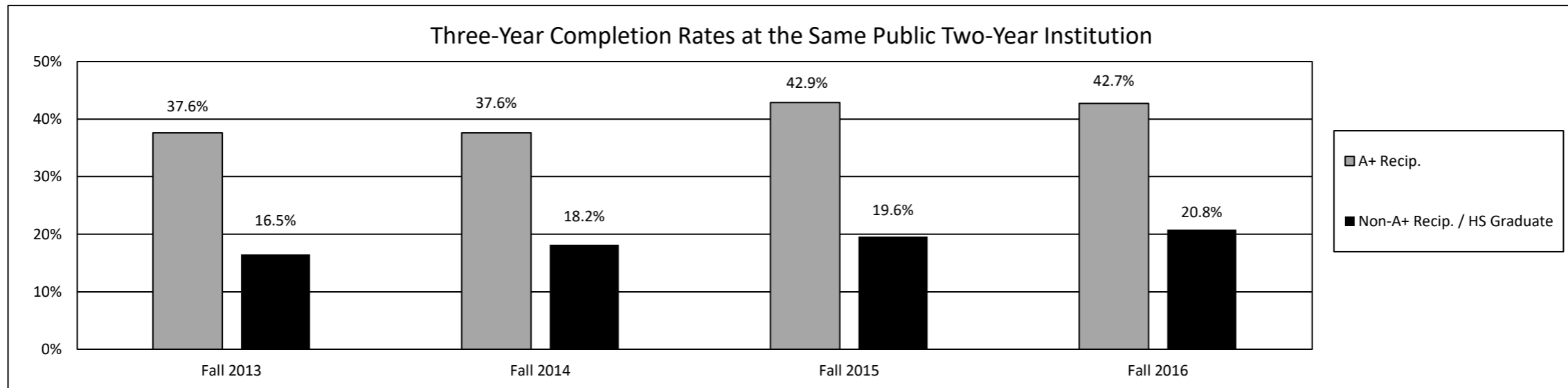
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2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.



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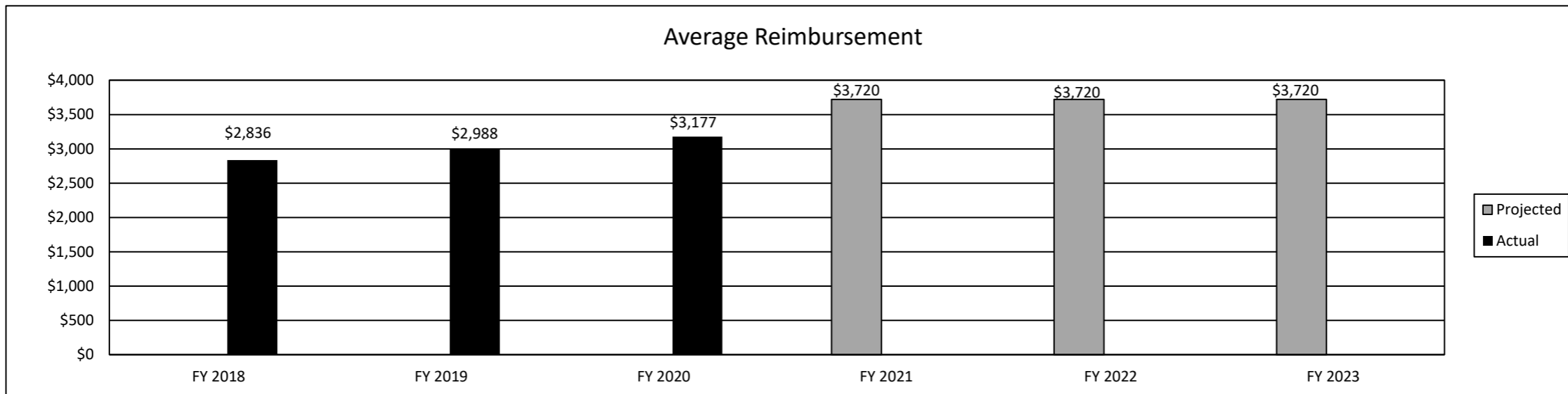
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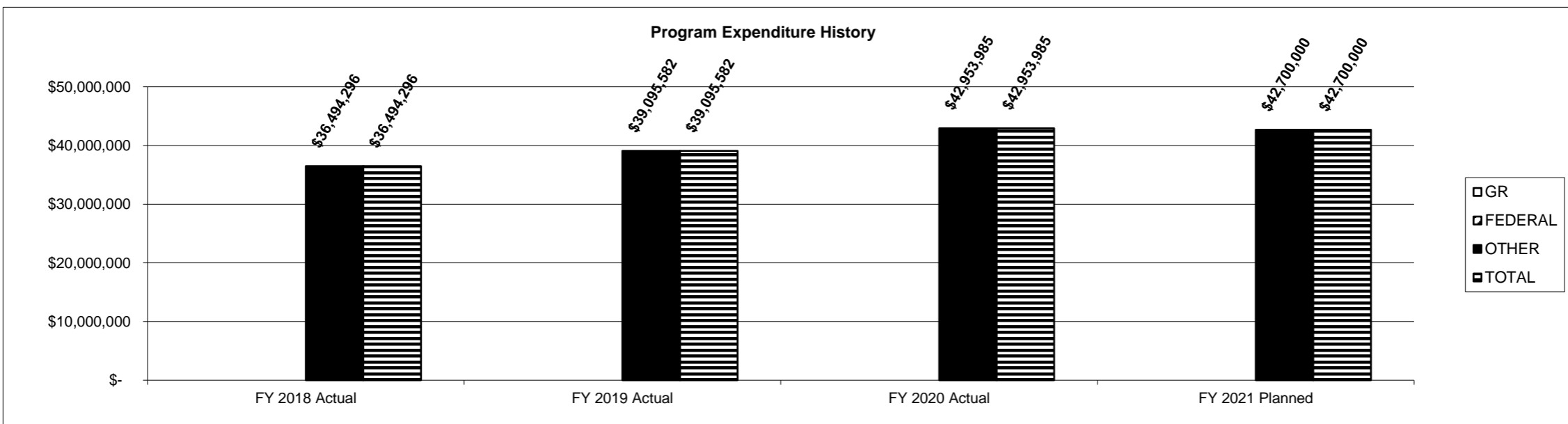
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2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



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4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

A+ Schools Fund (0955)

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

Section 160.545, RSMo.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

No

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

No