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Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

Program Name: Wartime Veteran's Survivors Grant Program

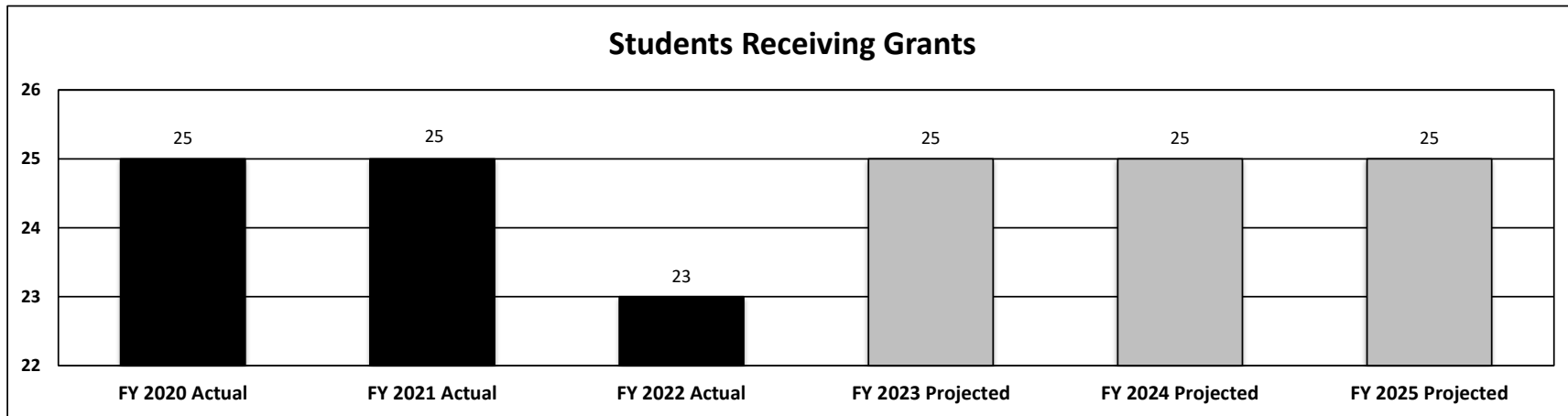**Program is found in the following core budget(s): Wartime Veterans Survivor Grant Program**

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1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Affordability

1b. What does this program do?

Section 173.234 RSMo established the Wartime Veteran's Survivors Grant Program to provide up to 25 grants annually to spouses or children of Missouri veterans who died or became disabled from combat after 9/11/2001. The grant encourages persistence and completion by reducing the cost of education for the maximum number of recipients allowed by statute whose families have suffered significant personal and financial loss. Grants include tuition (capped at the rate charged by the University of Missouri - Columbia), plus up to $2,000 for room and board and $500 for books per semester. In FY 2022 the average annual grant award was $11,155. For FY 2023 it is projected to increase to approximately $11,500 as a result of tuition increases.

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

Students Receiving Grants

25	25	23	25	25	25
FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Projected	FY 2024 Projected	FY 2025 Projected

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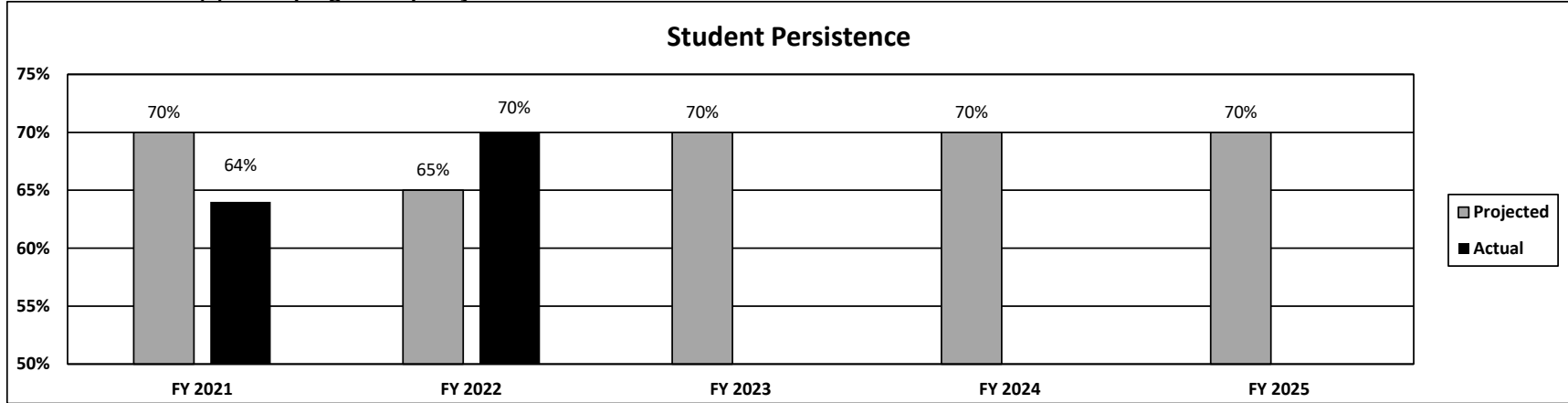
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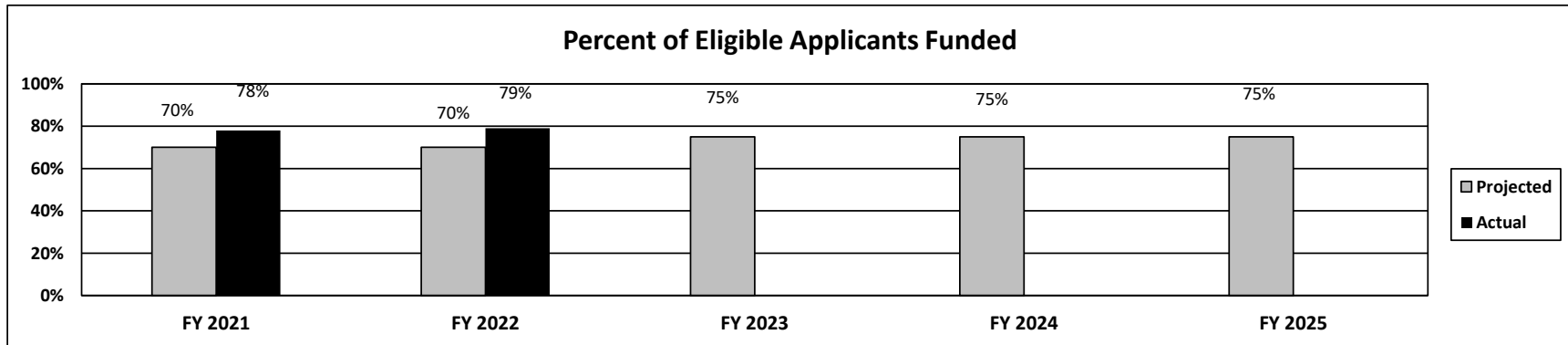**Program is found in the following core budget(s): Wartime Veterans Survivor Grant Program**

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

Student Persistence

	Projected	Actual
FY 2021	70%	64%
FY 2022	65%	70%
FY 2023	70%	
FY 2024	70%	
FY 2025	70%	

Note: Persistence represents recipients who received a Wartime Veteran's Survivors Grant or other state award in the prior academic year and current academic year. This measure compares the recipients who persisted to the total recipients each year. It does not account for first-year freshmen or students who may have graduated.

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

To demonstrate the program's impact the number of students paid will be compared to the number of eligible applicants, including those on the waiting list, to determine the number of eligible applicants receiving the grant.

Percent of Eligible Applicants Funded

	Projected	Actual
FY 2021	70%	78%
FY 2022	70%	79%
FY 2023	75%	
FY 2024	75%	
FY 2025	75%	

Note: Although there is a priority deadline for renewal students, applications can be filed year round, making projections difficult. At the end of FY 2022, all students on the waiting list who had maintained eligibility were paid. Six students with eligible applications were not certified by their postsecondary institutions as eligible and therefore were not funded.

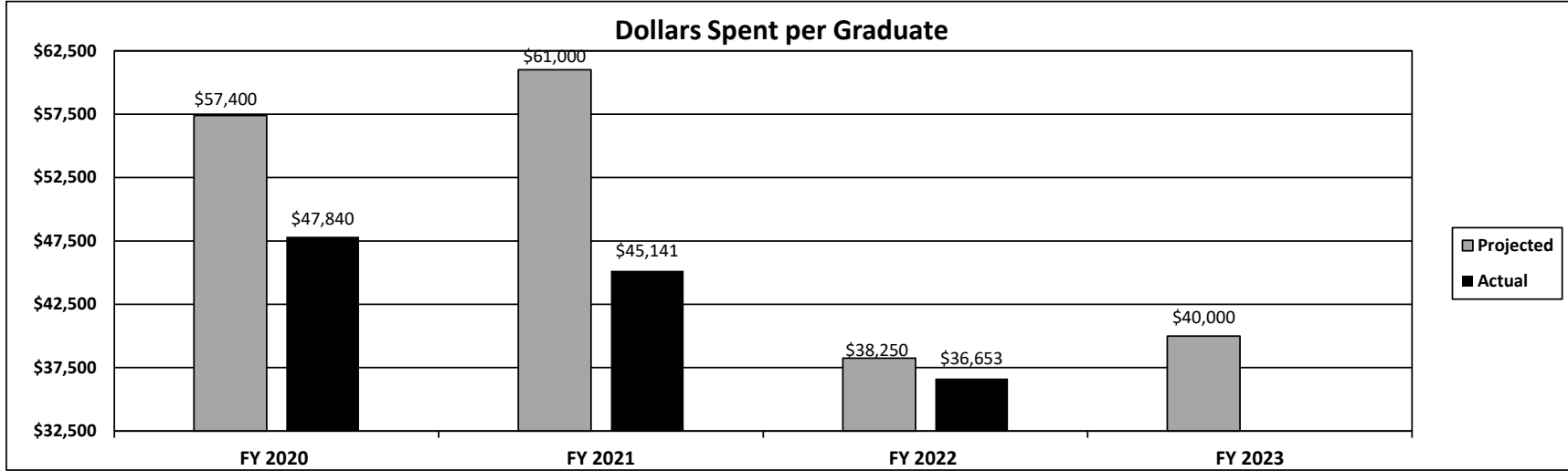**Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development** HB Section(s): __3.100__

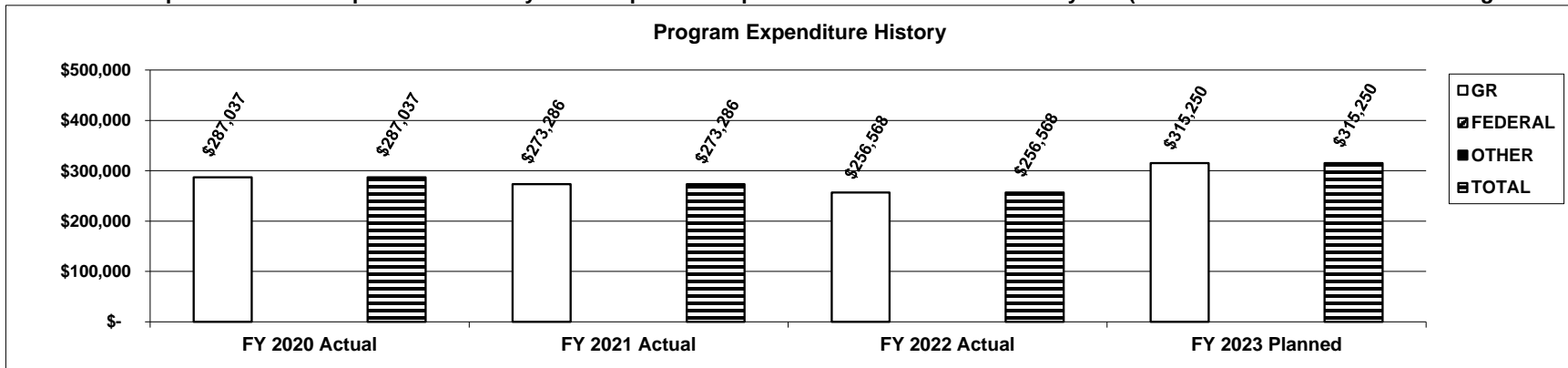**Program Name: Wartime Veteran's Survivors Grant Program**

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

Dollars Spent per Graduate

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Projected	$57,400	$61,000	$38,250	$40,000
Actual	$47,840	$45,141	$36,653	

Note: Compares the total number of graduates in each fiscal year to the total amount each graduate received (initial and renewal awards) through the program. This measure demonstrates the average cost-per-student to achieve the program's purpose of encouraging completion.

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.*)

Program Expenditure History

	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Planned
GR	$287,037	$273,286	$256,568	$315,250
TOTAL	$287,037	$273,286	$256,568	$315,250

Legend: GR, FEDERAL, OTHER, TOTAL

Note: The FY 2023 planned represents the core appropriation less the three percent statutory reserve.

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

  N/A

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

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

  No

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

  No