ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY ACT GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY

Purpose

- The Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, Title II of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, is the Department's major program that supports and promotes adult education and literacy services.
- The National Leadership Activities fund technical assistance, research, evaluation studies, and demonstration programs in the field of adult education and literacy.

Under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, the program of Basic Grants to States is the major source of federal support for basic skills programs. The purpose of the program is to provide educational opportunities below the postsecondary level for individuals 16 or older,

- who are not currently enrolled in school,
- who lack a high school diploma, or
- who lack the basic skills to function effectively in the workplace and in their daily lives.

Instructional services are offered in four program areas: ABE – basic skills instruction below the high school level; ASE – high school level instruction; IELCE – integrated English literacy and civics education; and ELA – English language acquisition instruction.

2022 Appropriations (rounded)

\$ 704,167,000

Adult Education State-Administered Basic Grants National leadership Activities

\$ 690,455,000* \$ 13,712,000

*Includes \$607,600,400 for Basic State Grants; \$82,854,600 for IELCE (section 243); and \$92,023 for Pacific Region Educational Laboratory (PREL) Grants.

State-Administered Adult Education Program Agencies





