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Department of Public Instruction

Report to the Fiscal Research Division

Quarterly Progress Report on Directed Grants
Session Law 2023-134, Section 5.3.(b)

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PURPOSE

Session Law 2023-134, Section 5.3.(b)(3) states: “Beginning on the first day of a quarter following the deadline provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection and quarterly thereafter, State agencies administering directed grants shall report to the Fiscal Research Division on the status of funds disbursed for each directed grant until all funds are fully disbursed. At a minimum, the report required under this subdivision shall include updates on (i) the date of the initial contact, (ii) the date the contract was sent to the entity receiving the funds, (iii) the date the disbursing agency received the fully executed contract back from the entity, (iv) the contract execution date, and (v) the payment date.”

The following details the payments to the Directed Grant Recipients (DRG) from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) as required by Session Law 2023-134, Section 5.3.(b)(3).

Table 1: 2023 Appropriations Act Directed Grant Recipients (DGR) Receiving One-Time Payments of \$100,000 or Less

State Fiscal Year 2024:

Directed Grant Recipient (DGR)	Date of Initial Contact Between DPI and DGR	Date DPI Sent Contract to DGR	Date DPI Received Contract from DGR	Contract Execution Date	Payment Issue Date
Best Buddies International, Inc.	10/27/2023	12/21/2023	12/27/2023	1/3/2024	1/4/2024
Masonboro.org	12/4/2023	1/5/2024	1/5/2024	1/5/2024	3/1/2024

Note: The Department of Public Instruction experienced delays in contacting Masonboro.org, as well as the completion of electronic payment set up in the North Carolina Financial System, resulting in the delay of contract execution and initial payment.

State Fiscal Year 2025:

Directed Grant Recipient (DGR)	Date of Initial Contact Between DPI and DGR	Date DPI Sent Contract to DGR	Date DPI Received Contract from DGR	Contract Execution Date	Payment Issue Date
Best Buddies International, Inc.	8/14/2024	9/4/2024	9/23/2024	9/23/2024	10/7/2024
Masonboro.org	8/14/2024	9/4/2024	9/9/2024	9/9/2024	9/17/2024

Table 2: 2023 Appropriations Act Directed Grant Recipients (DGR) Receiving Monthly Payments

State Fiscal Year 2024:

Directed Grant Recipient (DGR)	Date of Initial Contact Between DPI and DGR	Date DPI Sent Contract to DGR	Date DPI Received Contract from DGR	Contract Execution Date
Muddy Sneakers	10/27/2023	12/21/2023	12/21/2023	12/24/2023
Clarence Henderson Education Foundation	10/26/2023	3/12/2024	3/12/2024	3/13/2024
SparkNC	10/31/2023	11/20/2023	11/29/2023	11/30/2023

Note: The Clarence Henderson Education Foundation experienced delays in the ability to be established as a valid vendor within the North Carolina Financial System, resulting in the delay of contract execution and initial payment.

Directed Grant Recipient (DGR)	Payment Issue Date											
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Muddy Sneakers	1/4/2024	1/4/2024	1/4/2024	1/4/2024	1/4/2024	1/4/2024	1/22/2024	3/1/2024	3/25/2024	4/8/2024	5/6/2024	6/4/2024
Clarence Henderson Education Foundation	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	3/25/2024	4/8/2024	5/6/2024	6/3/2024
SparkNC	12/11/2023	12/11/2023	12/11/2023	12/11/2023	12/11/2023	12/11/2023	1/22/2024	3/1/2024	3/25/2024	4/8/2024	5/6/2024	6/3/2024

- Notes:**
1. The first payment for each DGR includes payments retroactive to July 1, 2023.
 2. Muddy Sneakers received both the December 2023 and January 2024 payments in January 2024.
 3. Muddy Sneakers and SparkNC received multiple payments in March 2024 because February 2024 payments were designated with a net 30 payment timeframe when keyed in the North Carolina Financial System. This setting was revised for subsequent payments.

Table 2: 2023 Appropriations Act Directed Grant Recipients Receiving Monthly Payments (continued)

State Fiscal Year 2025:

Directed Grant Recipient (DGR)	Date of Initial Contact Between DPI and DGR	Date DPI Sent Contract to DGR	Date DPI Received Contract from DGR	Contract Execution Date
Muddy Sneakers	8/14/2024	9/4/2024	9/4/2024	9/5/2024
NC Education Corps	8/14/2024	9/26/2024	9/26/2024	9/27/2024
SparkNC	8/14/2024	9/9/2024	9/10/2024	9/11/2024

Directed Grant Recipient (DGR)	Payment Issue Date											
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Muddy Sneakers	9/17/2024	9/17/2024	9/17/2024									
NC Education Corps	10/7/2024	10/7/2024	10/7/2024									
SparkNC	9/18/2024	9/18/2024	9/18/2024									

Notes: 1. The first payment for each DGR includes payments retroactive to July 1, 2024.