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## Overview

Minnesota's K12 budget includes state aid to promise neighborhoods, achievement zones, and other community partnerships through the Education Partnership Program codified in Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.99. This program supports a coalition of coordinated education partnerships providing a network of evidence-based support services designed to close opportunity gaps by improving educational and developmental outcomes of children and their families.

The existing program divides the funding between Tier 1 sustaining grants and Tier 2 implementation grants, with funding of a total of \$2,600,000 per year for the Tier 1 grants and \$480,000 for Tier 2 grants. The Tier 1 grants are specified as \$1,300,000 each for the Northside Achievement Zone in Minneapolis and the St. Paul Promise Neighborhood. Tier 2 grants were awarded through a competitive process for fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

H.F. 2056 renames Tier 1 grants "neighborhood partnership grants," defining the grant as serving all or a part of a single municipality and provides \$4,600,000 each year for these grants. Tier 2 grants are renamed "regional neighborhood partnership grants," funded at \$2,100,000 per year and grants of \$300,000 per year are specified for the Northfield Healthy Community Initiative, the Red Wing Youth Outreach program, United Way of Central Minnesota, Austin Aspires program, the Rochester Area Foundation for the Cradle to Career program, Generation Next, and the Children First and Partnership for success in St. Louis Park.

## Summary

Section	Description
1	<b>Education Partnerships fund.</b> Appropriates \$4,600,000 per year for neighborhood partnership grants and \$2,100,000 per year for regional neighborhood partnership grants.



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