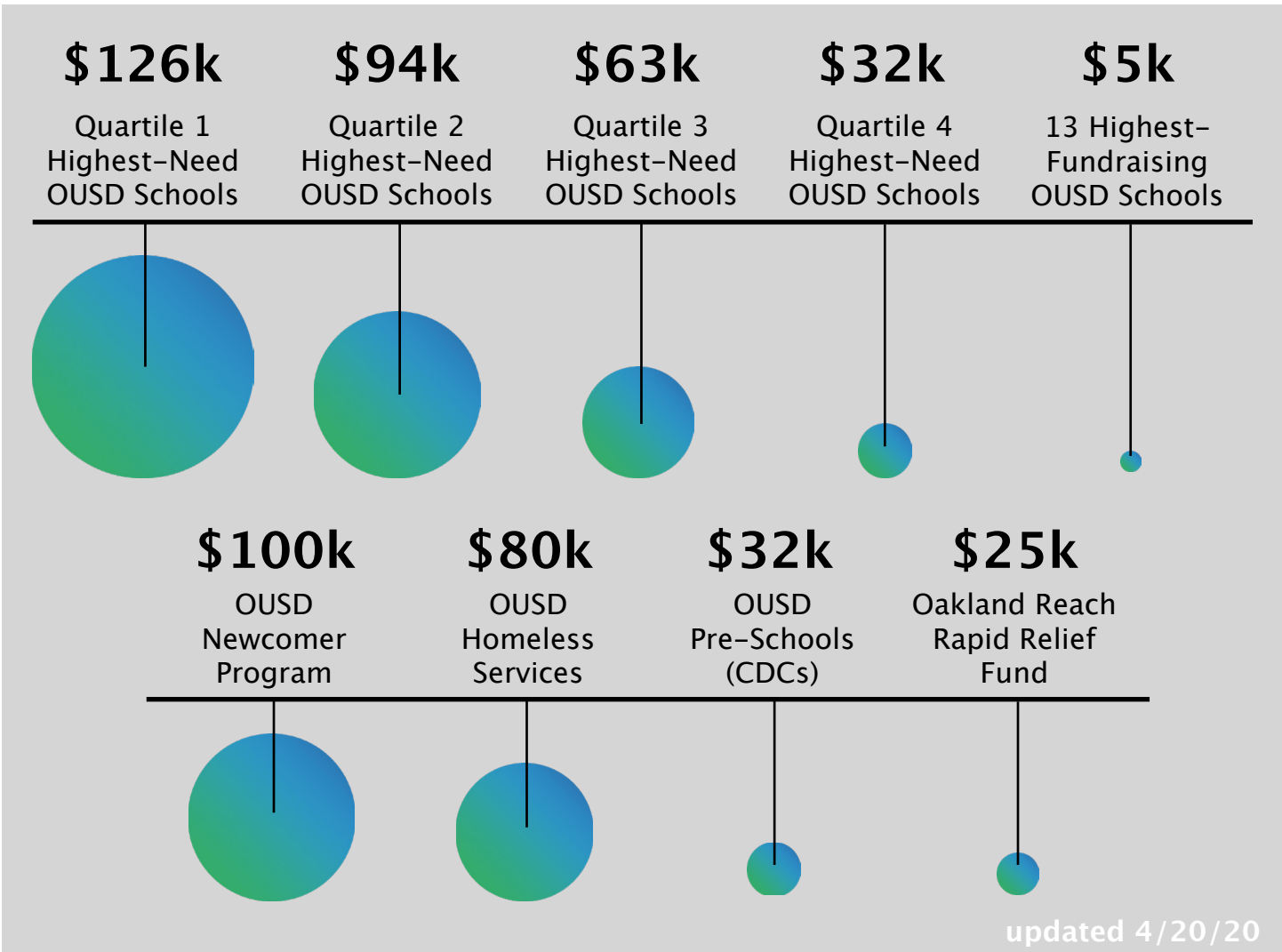




COVID-19 Relief Fund Cash Assistance Allocations



The majority of Cash Assistance funds allocated are supporting the highest-needs families and schools in the Oakland Unified School District.





Methodology

We assessed all OUSD schools using an Equity Index that factors in student demographics (poverty status, English learner rates, homelessness rates, etc.), environmental stress factors, teacher turnover rates, chronic absenteeism, and more.

The 13 highest-fundraising schools in OUSD were each given one \$400 allocation. The remaining schools were grouped in quartiles using the Equity Index, and these four groups received weighted allocations (40%, 30%, 20%, 10%). Total funds per quartile were then allocated to schools based on number of students. The largest allocation was \$12,400; the average was \$4,000, and the smallest was \$400.

The average percent of students who are English learners, low-income, or homeless in each quartile are: #1 (93%), #2 (93%), #3 (86%), #4 (64%), Top Fundraising Schools (23%).

Schools identify cash assistance recipients, and we pay people using their choice of: check, Venmo, PayPal, CashApp, or gift card.

An additional \$212,000 in cash assistance was allocated to the OUSD Newcomers, Homeless Families, and Pre-School programs for them to direct to families.

Cash assistance is targeted to individuals who are undocumented and/or homeless, and who have been acutely impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

An additional \$177,500 in cash assistance (or more depending on fundraising) will be allocated in May 2020.