

**Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
Quarterly Report for the Period July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021**

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) was established and initially funded through the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act to help institutions of higher education “prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.” Subsequent legislation – the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) – authorized additional funding for HEERF. HEERF is overseen and administered by the U.S. Department of Education.

This report describes the use of HEERF funds received by Frederick Community College under Award Number P425E202788.

CERTIFICATION

Frederick Community College signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and assures that the College intends to use the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

FUNDING

Frederick Community College has received a total of \$4,705,268 from the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS DISTRIBUTED

Between July 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021, a total of \$2,507,300 in Emergency Financial Aid grants was distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

STUDENTS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS

The estimated total number of students at the institution that were eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs was 16,198.

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVED EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS

The total number of students (unduplicated) who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs is 1,309.

METHODOLOGY

The following methodologies were used to determine which students received Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they received under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

Fall Disbursement (week of August 23, 2021)

All students who 1) had filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); 2) had an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) of less than 10000; 3) were enrolled in at least 1 credit of coursework required for their declared program of study during the Fall 2021 semester; 4) were not a visiting student nor a consortium student; 5) were non-degree seeking, non-credit, enrolled for a class in the Fall 2021 semester including Credit Students who did not meet the requirements to complete a FAFSA, who self-identified through enrollment processes as “refugees, asylum seekers, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (DACA) recipients, other DREAMers, or similar undocumented students.

Fall grant amounts are outlined in the table below.

| EFC | Grant for Fall 2021 |
|------------|----------------------------|
| 0 – 5846 | \$2,000 |
| 5847-9999 | \$1,400 |

INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED TO STUDENTS

The Financial Aid office sent an email to all students who were selected to receive Emergency Financial Aid grants. The email message included the amount of the grant, an explanation of how the grant funds may be used, notice of disbursement to Students’ account (Bank Mobile or cut Check) and contact information should students have questions about the grant or need assistance.