HEERF Quarterly Student Report – Quarter Ending 03/31/2022

NCC has signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the funds designated under the under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP) section (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

 (2) NCC has received a total of $17,607,699 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

(3) The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CAREs CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as for the 1st quarter of 2022 as of March 31, 2022 is $3,885,227.93

 (4) The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students (defined as enrolled since the national emergency, March 13, 2020) under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs is 7,278.

(5) The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs is 2,942.

# **(6) Distribution of Funds**

# ****Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSSA) Act****

NCC has received federal stimulus funding from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and will be issuing student grant funding. This grant may be used for emergency expenses and also can be used to satisfy any bill you may owe the college incurred since the beginning of the National Emergency March 20, 2020.

The total amount of funds that NCC will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution’s Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is $3.01 million.

Round 1 Details:

NCC's prioritized 2485 students enrolled on for spring 2021 as of 1/19/2021 with the highest need as defined by costs incurred (enrollment level + residency status) as well as the lowest expected family contribution on the FAFSA.  Students needed to meet all title IV eligibility requirements to be included as defined on the FAFSA.

Awards were granted by enrollment level as of 1/19/2021: Full Time: $800, 3/4 time: $500, Half-Time $400, Less than Half-Time $200.  Additional amounts were provided for residency level 2: $250, residency level 3: $500, residency level 6: $300.

**Round 2 Details:**

This round was targeted towards students enrolled during COVID with balances due or who had to cease enrollment due to COVID related expenses. As with previous rounds students had to be title IV eligible as defined on the FAFSA.

Valid respondents were provided with the balance owed + $500 for emergency expenses or $700 for emergency expenses if no balance was owed.

**Round 3 Details:**

This round was offered to all students registered for summer and now included those not title IV eligible per guidance issued from the US Department of Education issued May 21, 2020.

Valid respondents were provided with the balance owed + $500 for emergency expenses or $700 for emergency expenses if no balance was owed.

**Ongoing Funds Distribution:**

After the distribution of the 1st three rounds, the remaining amount may be applied for as needed via the link at the top and bottom of the website.  Students may indicate an amount requested on the application.

Funding is limited and will prioritized based on any of the following: expenses incurred, financial need, balances owed, other relief funding received and generally capped at $1500 in absence of other directly documented expenses.  Survey responses will be reviewed and processed weekly.

As of 8/30/2021, All CRRSA funds were spent.

**American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP)**

Beginning in the October 2021, we began awarding funds to all enrolled students. We advertised the funding availability to all current and prospective students advising them to complete the application if interested. We did not award funds until commencement of attendance (defined as confirmed to be attending classes) was verified.

Students received up to $1500 towards a past due balance (later in the semester this was expanded to the full amount of unpaid balances). Students received additional payments of $500 for enrollment half time or greater, $400 for enrollment less than half time, and $800 for not being currently enrolled.

In order to prioritize students with the exceptional financial need, students with an EFC less than 5000 on the FAFSA received an additional $200 and students with higher tuition costs received additional funding (Out of State- $300, Other PA County-$200, Monroe County $100).

After the initial fall round, the application remained open on the web for students to continue to apply throughout the Fall semester.

In the Spring 2022, we adjusted to the [guidance](https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arpfaq.pdf?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=) of ‘enrolled’ as defined in 34 CFR § 668.2 of defining enrollment as being registered for classes, and we able to provide funding to registered students in advance of the spring semester. The opportunity was distributed again to all registered and prospective students. We followed the same awarding method as listed above for the fall however we adjusted the ‘Monroe’ residency to be $200 and All Other PA Counties residency status to $300 to prioritize the need of these students in a greater way.

After the initial spring round, the application remained open on the web for students to continue to apply throughout the Spring 2022 semester.