

CARES Act

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Reporting for Emergency Financial Aid Grants

Report #6 – April 10, 2021

On March 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed the CARES Act (H.R. 748), which provides emergency relief funds to organizations and individuals affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), found in Section 18004 of the CARES Act, provides funding to institutions of higher education “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.” The following information is provided by Florida College as required by the Department of Education (“ED”) in order to comply with the reporting requirements under the CARES Act

This information will be updated quarterly.

1

An acknowledgment that the institution signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

Florida College signed and returned the Certification and Agreement to the U.S. Department of Education on May 4, 2020 for the HEERF Funds for Emergency Financial Aid Grants. Florida College received its grant award notification dated May 8, 2020. In keeping with the terms of the certification, Florida College will use no less than 50% of the funds received, as stated under 18004(c) of the CARES Act, to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students.

2

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

Florida College was initially awarded \$222,628 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. As of April 10, 2021, \$222,628 has been drawn down from the Department of Education.

3

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission.

As of April 10, 2021, \$222,628 has been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

We previously reported on the HEERF Annual Report that \$222,878 had been disbursed to students. After self audit, the amount was corrected to reflect the accurate disbursed amount of \$222,628.

4

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of April 10, 2021, Florida College has identified 411 eligible students that have filed a valid FAFSA and are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. Two students have self certified that they are eligible for Title IV funding and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

5

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of April 10, 2021, 433 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

6

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

The College has created a committee charged with creating a list of criteria for students to meet to receive grants. The College will be using a two-pronged approach to award Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. A proportion of the funds awarded will be disbursed to students who meet the following specific criteria without an application:

- US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Completed a FAFSA for 19-20 Award Year
- Lived on Campus in Student Housing
- Was not enrolled in a fully online program
- The remaining amount will be available for off-campus students who certify that they have incurred eligible expenses during the period of campus disruption.

7

Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

On-campus students were notified that they would be automatically receiving these funds due to the excessive costs incurred by resident students at the time of campus closure. Off-campus students were notified via email to certify their incurrence of eligible expenses due to coronavirus and campus closure by emailing a certification statement or returning a form.

Report #5 – January 10, 2021

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2

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

Florida College was initially awarded \$222,628 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. As of January 10, 2021, \$207,600 has been drawn down from the Department of Education.

3

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission.

As of January 10, 2021, \$207,600 has been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

4

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of January 10, 2021, Florida College has identified 411 eligible students that have filed a valid FAFSA and are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. Two students have self certified that they are eligible for Title IV funding and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

5

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of January 10, 2021, 380 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

6

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

The College has created a committee charged with creating a list of criteria for students to meet to receive grants. The College will be using a two-pronged approach to award Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. A proportion of the funds awarded will be disbursed to students who meet the following specific criteria without an application:

- US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Completed a FAFSA for 19-20 Award Year
- Lived on Campus in Student Housing
- Was not enrolled in a fully online program
- The remaining amount will be available for off-campus students who certify that they have incurred eligible expenses during the period of campus disruption.

7

Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

On-campus students were notified that they would be automatically receiving these funds due to the excessive costs incurred by resident students at the time of campus closure. Off-campus students were notified via email to certify their incurrence of eligible expenses due to coronavirus and campus closure by emailing a certification statement or returning a form.

Report #4 – October 10, 2020

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2

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

Florida College was initially awarded \$222,628 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. As of October 10, 2020, \$207,600 has been drawn down from the Department of Education.

3

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission.

As of October 10, 2020, \$207,600 has been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

4

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of October 10, 2020, Florida College has identified 411 eligible students that have filed a valid FAFSA and are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. Two students have self certified that they are eligible for Title IV funding and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

5

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of October 10, 2020, 380 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

6

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

The College has created a committee charged with creating a list of criteria for students to meet to receive grants. The College will be using a two-pronged approach to award Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. A proportion of the funds awarded will be disbursed to students who meet the following specific criteria without an application:

- US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Completed a FAFSA for 19-20 Award Year
- Lived on Campus in Student Housing
- Was not enrolled in a fully online program
- The remaining amount will be available for off-campus students who certify that they have incurred eligible expenses during the period of campus disruption.

7

Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

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Report #3 – August 31, 2020

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This information will be updated every 45 days.

1

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Florida College signed and returned the Certification and Agreement to the U.S. Department of Education on May 4, 2020 for the HEERF Funds for Emergency Financial Aid Grants. Florida College received its grant award notification dated May 8, 2020. In keeping with the terms of the certification, Florida College will use no less than 50% of the funds received, as stated under 18004(c) of the CARES Act, to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students.

2

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

Florida College has been awarded \$222,628 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students, and these funds are currently available for drawdown by

the College. As of August 31, 2020, \$198,100 has been drawn down from the Department of Education.

3

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day report and every 45 days thereafter).

As of August 31, 2020, \$198,100 has been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

4

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of August 31, 2020, Florida College has identified 411 eligible students that have filed a valid FAFSA and are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. Two students have self-certified that they are eligible for Title IV funding and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

5

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of August 31, 2020, 361 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

6

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

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- US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Completed a FAFSA for 19-20 Award Year
- Lived on Campus in Student Housing
- Was not enrolled in a fully online program

- The remaining amount will be available for off-campus students who certify that they have incurred eligible expenses during the period of campus disruption.

7

Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

On-campus students were notified that they would be automatically receiving these funds due to the excessive costs incurred by resident students at the time of campus closure. Off-campus students were notified via email to certify their incurrence of eligible expenses due to coronavirus and campus closure by emailing a certification statement or returning a form.

Report #2 – July 17, 2020

On March 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed the CARES Act (H.R. 748), which provides emergency relief funds to organizations and individuals affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), found in Section 18004 of the CARES Act, provides funding to institutions of higher education “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.” The following information is provided by Florida College as required by the Department of Education (“ED”) in order to comply with the reporting requirements under the CARES Act.

This information will be updated every 45 days.

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2

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

Florida College has been awarded \$222,628 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students, and these funds are currently available for drawdown by the College. As of July 17, 2020, \$198,100 has been drawn down from the Department of Education.

3

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day report and every 45 days thereafter).

As of July 17, 2020, \$198,100 has been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

4

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of July 17, 2020, Florida College has identified 411 eligible students that have filed a valid FAFSA and are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

5

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of July 17, 2020, 361 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

6

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

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7

Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

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Report #1 – June 4, 2020

On March 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed the CARES Act (H.R. 748), which provides emergency relief funds to organizations and individuals affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), found in Section 18004 of the CARES Act, provides funding to institutions of higher education “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.” The following information is provided by Florida College as required by the Department of Education (“ED”) in order to comply with the reporting requirements under the CARES Act. This is Florida College’s first 30-day progress report and presents information as of June 4, 2020. Additional reports will be provided every 45 days.

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1

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2

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

Florida College has been awarded \$222,628 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students, and these funds are currently available for drawdown by the College. As of June 4, 2020, no funds have yet been drawn down from the Department of Education.

3

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day report and every 45 days thereafter).

As of June 4, 2020, no funds have yet been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The College expects that the first round of these grants will be disbursed to qualified students no later than June 15, 2020.

4

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of June 4, 2020, Florida College has identified 348 eligible students that have filed a valid FAFSA and are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

5

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of June 4, 2020, no students have yet received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant from the College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The College expects that the first round of these grants will be disbursed to qualified students no later than June 15, 2020.

6

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

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approach to award Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. A proportion of the funds awarded will be disbursed to students who meet specific criteria to be established by the committee without an application. The remaining amount will be available for students who feel they have additional needs to apply for funds.

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Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

As of June 4, 2020, no additional instructions, directions, or guidance has been provided by Florida College to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants. Florida College expects to start communicating with students about these funds within the next two weeks, and will report on this information in the next report.