

CRRSAA Act – Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) II Grants to Students Required Report

On 12/27/2020, the President of the United States signed the Coronavirus, Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021. This Act provides emergency relief funds to organizations and individuals affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II), found in Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act, allows higher education institutions to use certain funds allocated by the Department of Education to support students and higher education institutions with expenses and financial needs related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. 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 CRRSAA Act.

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An acknowledgement that the institution has used, or intends to use, the same amount of HEERF II funds for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students as offered to students for HEERF I under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Institutions who received HEERF I Grant funds under the CARES Act were not required to submit an application for the HEERF II Grant. Florida College received its HEERF II Grant award notification on 1/19/2021. In keeping with the terms of acceptance of these funds, Florida College will use no less than \$222,628 of HEERF II grant funds, as stated under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act, to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students.

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The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act.

Florida College was allocated a total of \$222,628 under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act to be provided directly to students for expenses related to the COVID-19 crisis. As of 6/30/2021, the College awarded \$222,628 of the student portion of this award.

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The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every quarter thereafter).

As of 03/31/21, \$0 had been disbursed and the full \$222,628 had been disbursed by 6/30/2021.

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The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act.

Florida College determined that 456 students were eligible for the HEERF II Grant as of the initial date of disbursement of HEERF II grant funds, 4/16/21.

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The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act.

There were 433 total number of students disbursed Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act. All student funds were expended as of 6/30/2021.

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The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 314(1)(a) of the CRRSAA Act.

Based on guidance available at the time of disbursement, awards were made to all domestic students. This round of funds was disbursed to students who were currently enrolled at the time of disbursement. As required per guidance, we prioritized Pell recipients. This was done by awarding a larger award amount (\$653) than non-Pell recipients (\$461). Two students received additional HEERF II funds based on specific needs. We did not disburse funds to employees taking courses and students dual-enrolled.

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

We notified students via an inserted message with their check that these funds were provided as a CRSAA and were being distributed to assist with eligible expenses incurred due to coronavirus.