CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT
HEERF I REPORTING

EMERGENCY STUDENT GRANTS

The federal CARES Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020. Section 18004 of the CARES Act provides Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) to colleges and universities to assist with unexpected expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The US Department of Education states only degree seeking undergraduate students who are Title IV eligible can be awarded CARES Act HEERF I Emergency funds. Unfortunately, the US Department of Education does not allow CARES Act Emergency funds to be used for high school, international, DACA or undocumented students, or any student who was exclusively taking online courses prior to March 13, 2020.

Allen Community College received CARES Act funds and checks were issued on May 13, 2020 to all Allen students who were eligible.

CARES Act Compliance for Emergency Student Grants

This is the final CARES Act Compliance Report for HERRF I Emergency Student Grants.

1. Allen Community College has signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement form assuring that Allen Community College has used 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.

2. The total amount Allen Community College has receive in HEERF I funding is $208,250.00 from the Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed by Allen Community College to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of May 13, 2020 is $208,250.00.

4. The estimated total number of students at Allen Community College eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and was enrolled in at least one on campus credit hour on March 13, 2020 is 352.

5. The total number of Allen Community College students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of May 13, 2020 is 352.

6. The method used by Allen Community College to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grant and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is as follows for HEERF I funds:
    - Student must be eligible for Pell Grant.
    - The grant amount is based on a student's status (full-time, ¾ time, ½ time, less than ½ time) for his/her on campus courses only (does not include online courses) as of March 13, 2020.
    - The grant amounts are

        Full-time: $780.10
        ¾ Time: $580.00
        ½ Time: $380.00
        Less Than ½ Time: $168.00

7. Information about the CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants is available on the Allen Community College website. Allen Community College students were not required to apply for HEERF I grants and all eligible students received funds, therefore no specific instructions or directions were needed by students to be eligible for or receive the grants. A letter accompanied each check explaining the grant and that these funds are only to be used to cover expenses related to the pandemic.

INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS

The federal CARES Act provided money to colleges and universities during the coronavirus pandemic. Allen County Community College received $208,249.00 from Section (a)(1) and $83,501.00 from Section (a)(3) under the CARES Act in HEERF I.

On March 23, 2020 the College moved from onsite classes to online classes and student living on campus were encouraged to return home if possible. The College used these CARES Act institutional funds to reimburse for room and board costs for the final 8 weeks of the Spring 2020 semester.

CARES Act Compliance for Institutional Funds

This is the final HEERF I CARES Act Compliance Report for Institutional Funds.