

**Status of Coronavirus Emergency Financial Aid to Students (Federal Reporting)
Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds, Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and
Economic Security (CARES) Act & Higher Education Relief Funds II (CRRSAA),
and American Rescue Plan (ARP)**

U.S. Department of Education

As of September 30, 2021

- 1) Carteret Community College (College) signed and returned to the Department of Education (Department) the College's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES Act and the supplement under section 18004(a)(1) CRRSA under section 314(a)(1), and Arp under section 2003(a)(1). This includes assurance that the College has used, or intends to use, no less than \$2,455,407 collectively to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
- 2) The College was initially funded \$387,473 and an additional \$387,473 supplement and another additional supplement of \$1,680,461 from the Department pursuant to the College's Certification of Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- 3) As of the date of this report, the College distributed \$725,616.88 to 893 students.
- 4) The estimated total number of the College's students eligible to participate in the 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 is 905
- 5) Students and potential students eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant were reached through a mass marketing campaign which included Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, YouTube, and Spotify. Links were established to direct students to the college webpage (Exhibit 1) for more information and an application.
- 6) Students are encouraged to consult with Financial Aid for information about emergency needs. Application and consent form (Exhibit 2) were collected and reviewed by Financial Aid (Exhibit 3).
- 7) Exhibits 1, 2, & 3 are included in this report

Exhibit 1

Full Funding For All: All Students, All College Expenses

Morehead City, N.C. (May 20, 2021) – Carteret CC received approximately \$1.6 million in additional Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF). **ALL** students are eligible to apply for HEERF funding upon enrollment in a degree and/or continuing education program.



With student consent, funds can be applied to any portion of their cost of attendance including tuition, fees, books, uniforms, and supplies related to their program or course. Students can also apply for funds to help cover the cost of childcare, housing, transportation, and more.

To be eligible:

- Students **do not need** to be TITLE IV eligible
- Students **do not need** to complete a FAFSA
- Students **can be on** Financial Aid Suspension
- Students can be enrolled in **both seated and/or online** courses
- Students can be enrolled in a **degree program or continuing education** course
- Students can be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, refugee, asylum seeker, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipient, other DREAMer, or similar undocumented student

Additionally, these funds can be used towards prior student account balances incurred after March 13, 2020 with consent.

"Carteret Community College has always been a great value in terms of quality and class size for the cost. Now, with the influx of federal funds for students, it is an even better value," said Carteret CC President Dr. Tracy Mancini. "I encourage students who have experienced hardships, delays, or doubts about pursuing post-secondary credentials and degrees to take advantage of these funds to find meaningful career pathways to qualify for the many excellent positions open in Carteret County."

To enroll at Carteret Community College or apply for Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding please visit www.carteret.edu/learnlocal.

Exhibit 2



Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Application and Consent

Semester: _____ Student ID# (if available) _____ Last 4 SSN: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

In order to be considered for HEERF funding, you must complete the FAFSA for the 2021-2022 academic year. If this has already been received by the College, your HEERF application will be processed immediately. If you have not yet filled out the FAFSA, you may do so at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

Please indicate the Carteret Community College school code on your application which is 008081

If you need advising on completing the FAFSA, please reach out to Financial aid at (252) 222-6293.

HEERF funds can be used to offset College expenses that remain after any other types of financial aid for which you may be qualified are awarded.

Have you already completed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?

____ Yes ____ No Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Summer 2022 –2021-22 FAFSA

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Consent Statement (in order to apply a HEERF award to cover your tuition, fees, and bookstore charges):

I, _____, hereby authorize Carteret Community College to deduct the following checked amounts for the _____ semester from my Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding 2021-2022 award.

_____ Tuition and Required Fees

_____ Books and Required Course Supplies

_____ Prior term charges incurred after March 13, 2020

Signature: _____

Exhibit 3

Procedures for Disseminating COVID-19 Emergency Student Financial Aid Grant Funding

“HEERF I, II, III Funds”

“The COVID-19 Emergency Student Financial Aid Grant Funds will be awarded to students that have a financial need due to the disruption of the College during the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis for all students who qualify starting with the Spring 2020 term as of March 13, 2020 through the Fall 2021 term or as long as there are funds available, whichever is earlier.

Funds will be awarded based on consent or specific need presented to a Student Services representative

Student eligibility:

- Is currently registered as a student of Carteret Community College
- Must have a financial need due to the disruption of the College during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Must be completing courses for the Summer or Fall 2021 terms

Failure to maintain the above eligibility could result in ineligibility for future terms

Application Process:

1. Student must fully complete, sign and return the aid application for review.
2. Financial Aid Director makes the determination that the applicant is eligible and the amount to award is within the aid limitations.
3. If eligible, the Financial Aid Director will award the grant to the student using a cash financial aid code and forward the application to the Business Office.

Funding Source	Financial Aid Code	GL Account
CRRSAA Funds	CRSSA	02-820-00-560001-60901
HEERF III	HEER3	02-826-00-560001-60901

4. Business Office will process a check to the student in the amount of the approved aid. A copy of the check and the supporting paperwork will be forwarded to the VP for Finance and Administrative Services for recording and tracking. The Business Office will also apply funds to the student account consistent with the student consent.
5. If not eligible, the Financial Aid Director will inform the student that their application has been denied and afford the student the opportunity to resubmit if they can satisfy the reasons for denial.
6. The VP for Finance and Administrative Services will be responsible for recording all the necessary information about the award on the institutional reporting template and maintaining the completed documentation for any future reference, audit, reports or submission.