



Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting

Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Updated: June 30, 2021

1. HEERF I - Jamestown Community College signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the HEERF to Students Certification and Agreement on April 14, 2020. The allocation was available on April 25th. The institution has used and intends to use no less than 50% of the CARES Act Funding received to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.

HEERF II – Jamestown Community College received Student Aid funding under the CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) program. This program, with some changes, provides supplemental funds to the CARES Act section 18004(a)(1) program. Jamestown Community College signed and returned to the Education Department a Certification and Agreement as required under the CARES Act Section 18004(a)(1) program. We acknowledge that by drawing down the CRRSAA funds, our institution agrees to be bound by the conditions set forth in the CRRSAA Supplemental Agreement including using 100 percent of these funds to provide emergency aid grants to students.

2. The total amount of funds JCC has received for emergency grants to students is \$2,306,998.
3. The total amount distributed to students as of the date of this report is \$2,306,998. Since the last report as of 3/31/2021, the amount disbursed during this quarter was \$1,153,499.
4. The total number of student enrolled at JCC in the spring semester 2020 and eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 of the Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 is 1,645. An additional 334 students became eligible with a revised plan as of 11/24/2020, bringing the total number of eligible students for participation to 1,979.
5. The total number of students eligible for the HEERF II funding from 4/1/2021 through 6/30/2021 was 852.
6. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant as of the date of this report is 2,418. Since the last report as of 3/31/2021, the total number of students that received funds was 852.

SUNY will provide standard “Award Methodology” language for HEERF III if the SUNY Guidance has not been provided by June 30, 2021. This language will be sent in a separate communication.



7. The method used by JCC for determining which students receive emergency financial aid grants and how much they receive is as follows:
 - a. As the COVID-19 pandemic evolved during the spring 2020 semester, Jamestown Community College suspended in-person classes on March 13th for the safety, health, and well-being of the community. All residential undergraduate students were asked to move out of campus housing by Friday, March 19th at 5pm.
 - b. Jamestown Community College received an allocation of \$2,306,997 through the CARES Act HEERF I. Fifty percent (\$1,153,499) of the allocation must be awarded for the sole and exclusive purpose of providing emergency financial aid grants to students for their expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child-care expenses. In accordance with the CARES Act certification and agreement, Jamestown Community College will promptly provide emergency financial aid to students for their expenses.
 - c. Jamestown Community College received an allocation of \$1,153,499 through the CARES Act HEERF II. In accordance with the CARES Act certification and agreement, Jamestown Community College will promptly provide emergency financial aid to students for their expenses.

How will award eligibility be determined?

- a. Students must be matriculated in an eligible academic program as of March 13, 2020, which include all academic programs, except those that are offered exclusively online;
- b. Students must be enrolled at Jamestown Community College on or after March 13, 2020 for HEERF I eligibility;
- c. Students must be enrolled at the college on or after February 19, 2021 for HEERF II eligibility. Students who withdrew prior to that date are not eligible for a CARES Grant;
- d. Students must be eligible for federal Title IV financial aid in 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, as evidenced by the FAFSA on file at Jamestown Community College for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 academic year;
- e. Students must be maintaining satisfactory academic program (SAP);
- f. Students must certify, for HEERF I funding, via electronic format that they have already incurred, or will incur, allowable expenses that are related to the disruption of campus operation due to coronavirus, and attest that they spent, or will spend, the amount of the grant on allowable expenses.
- g. Students must have a Pell eligible EFC with no CPS tracking group selections for HEERF II funding. Students with V1, V4, or V5 tracking groups that did not complete the necessary steps are not eligible;



How will the award amounts be calculated?

HEERF I

- a. For those students that file the 2019-2020 FAFSA and are determined to be in Federal Pell range (EFC <=\$5,576) will receive an amount equal to \$725;
- b. For those students that file the 2019-2020 FAFSA and are determined to be outside of Federal Pell range (EFC >=\$5,576) will receive \$400;
- c. For the students that file the 2020-2021 FAFSA and are determined to be in Federal Pell range (EFC <=\$5,712) will receive an amount equal to \$800

HEERF II

- a. SUNY recommended that the base grant for community college be a maximum of \$750, however JCC submitted a request to SUNY Audit requesting that the base grant JCC be allowed to expend be \$780. The approval was received on 3/30/2021. In addition, JCC requested that a portion of the intuitional funds, \$9,481, be used toward the student portion to expend the full \$1,153,499 in an equitable way.
- b. The base grant for full-time student is \$780 and \$390 for part-time students.
- c. The base grant was then adjusted as a percentage based on the EFC to determine the amount each student would start with depending on their EFC. The amounts shown below represent the amount that will be added to each base grant to distribute to students.

	Student Award Chart			
	Award Amount Per EFC Range and FT/PT Status			
	100%	75%	50%	25%
	EFC Range 0 - 1,500	EFC Range 1,501 - 2,900	EFC Range 2,901 - 4,300	EFC Range 4,301 -5,711
FT Student Awards	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 1,365.00	\$ 1,170.00	\$ 975.00
PT Student Awards	\$ 1,170.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 780.00	\$ 585.00

How will the funds be disbursed to students?

HEERF I

JCC will be awarding a Base Emergency Grant for allowable expenses that students have already incurred, or will incur, that are related to the disruption of campus operations (see above for award amounts and method for HEERF I).

To receive the funds, students must complete and return the Certification and Attestation for CARES Base Emergency Grant form. Students are highly encouraged to sign up for direct deposit, however paper checks will be mailed. The disbursement of these funds will remain unencumbered by the institution; debts, charges, fees, or other amounts owed to the institution will not be deducted from the emergency financial aid grant.



HEERF II

Eligible students will be notified via email to their JCC student email address, as well as the email listed from the 2020-2021 FAFSA for the student. The email will contain information regarding their eligibility for the funding outlined above, as well as information to sign up for direct deposit.

A separate email will go those students that are not only eligible, but also owe a balance. This email will explain that they need to provide an affirmative response for the eligible funding available to them to be used to satisfy their outstanding student bill. They will be provided 10 days to respond in the affirmative, otherwise the eligible amount will be fully refunded.

A message will be added to the student account via the student database system, Banner, which will indicate that they were eligible to receive these funds. This message will only be visible to JCC employees with access to this screen.