

**Southeastern Community College Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security
(CARES) Act Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
October 30, 2020**

- Southeastern Community College (College) acknowledges the 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. This includes assurance that the College 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.
- The College was funded \$559,151 from the Department pursuant to the College's Certification of Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- As of the date of this report, the College distributed \$523,333 to students
- As of the date of this report, the total number of students who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Acts is 1045 (duplicated).

Original Application Process

- The original estimated total number of the College's students eligible to participate in the programs under Section 684 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 644.
- The original method used by the College to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants, including how much a student would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act have been determined. *See Exhibit 1.*
- Original Students who are eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant received an email notification. *See Exhibit 2.*
- Original Students who are eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant must complete an online application to request funding. *See Exhibit 3.*
- The original application to receive CARES Act funding closed on September 20, 2020. Due to the remaining additional funding, the college revised the eligibility requirements and removed the application requirement after the deadline.

Updated Process for delivering the remaining CARES Act funding after September 20, 2020

- The new method of delivery for the funding was updated to allow Title IV eligible students that were enrolled in the Fall 2020 semester to receive funding due to the

interruption of instruction experienced by the college for the Fall 2020 semester due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- A new email was sent to students to notify the students of their eligibility. See Exhibit 4 and Exhibit 5.
- The new estimate number of the college's students enrolled in the 2020 Fall semester eligible to participate in the program under Section 684 in Title IV of Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 1800(a)(1) of CARES Act is 863.

EXHIBIT 1: Southeastern Community College Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Eligibility Determination Guidelines

- Student must have been enrolled in at least one face-to-face class during Spring 2020 semester when the state of emergency due to coronavirus was declared.
- Student must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and be deemed Title IV eligible as defined by Section 484 of the Higher Education Act. Eligibility criteria includes the following:
 - Student is enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a degree or certificate program.
- Student must complete an online application completing the online application on SCC Website. As part of this process, student attests their need is related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus and falls into an eligible category of expense.
- Awards range from \$462 to \$1300, based on Spring 2020 enrollment, as follows:
 - All Students enrolled in at least one seated course as of the Colleges' March 15 enrollment will receive \$406.25. Each student will receive an additional \$55.53 for each seated credit hour. Total and or additional awards will be rounded to the dollar. Additional credit hour consideration was given for students enrolled in Nursing and Practical Nursing program.

EXHIBIT 2

Greetings,

U.S. Department of Education is providing federal funding for students who have been impacted by the disruption of the delivery of instruction due to COVID-19 through the CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) HEERF (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund). Students must complete the Emergency Relief Fund application (see below link) to apply. Funding is limited and applications should be submitted by priority deadline May 22, 2020 for early consideration.

*There will be additional deadlines provided funding is available.

[ONLINE APPLICATION FORM](#)

Eligibility Criteria:

- Actively Enrolled in a curriculum program at SCC on March 13, 2020
- Have a High School Diploma or GED equivalency
- Submitted a valid FAFSA application and be eligible to receive Title IV funding. (Students that are eligible for Federal Pell Grant and students that qualified for Federal Loans per FAFSA are eligible to apply)
- CCP and Early College students are not eligible for funding according to the federal guidelines

(additional requirements may apply)

FAQs:

How do I apply for Emergency Relief Fund?

Complete the application (see link) and have a completed FAFSA application on file

I have not submitted a FAFSA application, is it too late?

No – Please submit ASAP. Your application cannot be processed until a valid FAFSA is received

How much funding can I receive?

Emergency Fund amounts vary by student circumstances

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Education is critical to success at the College’s faculty, staff, and administration are always here for you

EXHIBIT 3

Forms SCC CARES ACT-Emergency Funding Application - Save

Questions Responses



SCC CARES ACT-Emergency Funding Application

U.S. Department of Education is providing federal funding for students who have been impacted by the disruption of the delivery of instruction due to COVID-19 through the CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) H.E.R.P. Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund. Students must complete the Emergency Relief Fund Application to apply. Funding is limited and applications should be submitted by priority deadline May 22, 2020 for early consideration. There will be additional deadlines if funds are available. By submitting this application, you are consenting to be contacted by a Student Services staff member.

1. First Name *

2. Last Name *

3. Student ID *

4. Phone number (Please provide a current phone number.) *

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Questions Responses

5. Have you completed a FAFSA Application? A FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is needed for this application. If you have not completed a FAFSA application, log in to [www.finaid.ed.gov](https://finaid.ed.gov) (https://finaid.ed.gov) to complete the FAFSA online! *

6. Which of the following financial concerns are you currently facing? (check all that apply) *

7. If you checked "Other college expenses related to the COVID-19 PAID" please explain below. (Not including tuition and fees)

8. Are there additional circumstances that you would like to explain as to how you have been impacted by the disruption of the delivery of instruction due to the COVID-19 pandemic? If so, please explain below. (Please note the box of answer does not qualify as an expense related to instructional delivery.)

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9. Optional-Upload documentation, if available, to support your request. (such as receipts, copy of bills)

10. What is your program of study?

11. Student Signature *

12. Date *

13. By selecting "I agree", you certify that the answers provided in this application are true and you have been impacted by the disruption of the delivery of instruction due to COVID-19. *

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Exhibit 4

Note

CARES Fund

Tue, 10/20/20, 11:35 AM



Sheila Dockery

CARES Fund

Hi SCC Rams,

During the Spring 2020 semester, we received funding from the US Federal Government for students due to the interruption of instruction because of the Coronavirus Pandemic. We created an application process for students to submit for CARES Act Funding. The application process has closed; however, we have remaining CARES Act funds that we are awarding to our currently enrolled students for the Fall 2020 semester that meet certain eligibility requirements. Funding is based on credit hours enrolled at a certain point in the semester.

You have been awarded this CARES Act funding. Check your Self-Service account for information on your award amount. Due to the special circumstances of these funds, SCC has granted a one time approval for students to pickup these checks from the college. We have set two days, **Thursday, October 22nd and Friday, October 23rd**, for students to come to the college and pick up their CARES funding check. Please bring photo ID, including your student ID or current driver's license to pick up your check. See the information below outlining the dates and times for check pick up. There will be signs setup on campus to help instruct you with the pickup. If you have any questions, please contact the Financial Aid office at 910-788-6214.

Pick up Dates and Times

Thursday, October 22, 2020

Times

9:00am - 12:00pm - Students with last names A-M

1:00pm - 4:00pm - Students with last names N-Z

4:00pm - 6:00pm - Students with last names A-Z

Friday, October 23, 2020

Time: 9:00am - 1:00pm Last names A-Z

Thanks,

Sheila Dockery

SCC, Financial Aid

Exhibit 5

Additional Instructions and Information for CARES Check pickup



[Sheila Dockery](#)

To: Grayce Worley <grayce265156@rams.sccnc.edu> October 20, 2020 3:07 PM

Delivered via email Read - October 22, 2020 12:12 PM Delivered by email - Read - October 22, 2020 12:12 PM Undeliverable

Hi Everyone,

This is additional information about the CARES funding and check pickup:

-Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, we are asking all students to remain in your cars and wear a mask (if possible).

-Students will line up in the driveway in front of the A building and be directed by staff. There will be staff to help greet you and explain the process for lining up.

-Bring ID to pickup your check. You can use your school ID or current driver's license.

-This is not a financial aid refund. These funds are from a different source.

Please direct any calls to the Financial Aid at 910-788-6214 or email finaid@sccnc.edu.

Thank You,

Sheila Dockery

SCC Financial Aid