

CARES Act Fund Report

What is the CARES Act?

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act is federal legislation that was signed into law to provide economic relief to organizations and individuals affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Higher Education Emergency Relief fund (HEERF) is part of the CARES ACT which provides funds to colleges for emergency financial aid grants to on-campus students who had unexpected expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the pandemic. There was additional legislation signed into law on December 27, 2020.

In March 2021, the American Recovery Act was signed into law.

What is a CARES Act Emergency Grant?

The CARES Act emergency grant is for eligible on-campus students who had unexpected expenses related to the disruption of campus due to the COVID-19 pandemic such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare. The funds are a grant, not a loan, and do not need to be paid back. The CARES funding allocated from the December 27, 2020 law included funding for online students.

Fund report as September 30, 2021:

New England College has signed and returned the Certification and Agreement to the Department of Education for the stimulus funds labeled as the Emergency Financial Aid Grants for Students. The College has assured the Department of Education that it intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

Allocations:

As of April 20, 2020, New England College has received \$777,067 allocated to the Henniker campus from the Department of Education and on June 8, 2020 received an additional \$205,648 allocated to the Manchester campus. This was the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds I.

On January 17, 2021, New England College received \$982,715 allocated for both Henniker and Manchester campuses. This was the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds II.

NEC received an allocation in May 2021 from the American Recovery Act (HEERF III) in the amount of \$3,412,589.

Distributions:

New England College estimates the total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 4848 in Title IV of the Higher Education 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to be 843 in the spring and 734 in the fall from the Henniker campus and 204 from spring and 166 in the fall the Manchester campus, for a total of 1,047 students awarded in spring 2020 and 900 students awarded in fall 2020. During the quarter ending March 31, 2021, 827 students qualified for Emergency financial Aid Grants. There were 827 students who qualified for this award. During the quarter ending June 30, 2021,

an additional 408 students were awarded who qualified for this grant. During the quarter ending September 30, 2021, an additional one student qualified for the awards.

As of March 31, 2021, the College has distributed \$777,067 to Henniker based students and \$ 205,648 to Manchester based students. On January 17, 2021 the college was allocated an additional \$982,715. As of March 31, 2021, the College has distributed \$845,375 to Henniker, Manchester, and online students. During the 4th quarter of the fiscal year, the period ending June 30, 2021, the College distributed \$224,750 to Henniker, Manchester, and online students. During the 1st quarter of fiscal year 2022, the College distributed one award in the amount of \$1,200.00 to a Henniker student.

As of March 31, 2021, all eligible students in Henniker and Manchester have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act and HEERF funding. All HEERF I and II funding has been awarded as of September 30,2021.

As of September 30, 2021 the College has not awarded any of these funds to date. Awards will begin to be processed during the 2nd quarter of the fiscal year.

Method of Distributions:

New England College developed a rubric to allocate the grants. This rubric was based on a student being Pell eligible or not, need, and no need, and if the student was full time or part time in Spring 2020 and Fall 2020. A new rubric was used for the monies allocated in January 2021.

Each eligible student will receive their award without any information required from the student. Student's will have an opportunity to apply for additional funding based on higher than average expenses related to COVID-19. The application for this additional funding can be found in the financial aid portal at nec.verifymyfafsa.com.

Appendix A

Spending through September 30, 2021

Quarter 1 – Fiscal Year 2022

HEERF Spending																											
Henniker (Campus N, H, W)																											
Category	Spring 2020 Spent HI			Spring 2020 Spent HI			Fall 2020 Spent HI			Fall 2020 Spent HI			Spring 2021 Spent HI			Spring 2021 Spent HI			Spring 2021 Online HI			Summer 1 2021 Online HI			Fall 2021 HI		
	Quarter 2 2020			Quarter 3 2020			Quarter 4 2020			Quarter 1 2021			Quarter 1 2021			Quarter 2 2021			Quarter 2 2021			Quarter 2 2021			Quarter 3 2021		
	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total
Pell eligible FT	413	\$ 650	\$ 274,950	-	\$ 650	\$ -	366	\$ 450	\$ 164,700	13	\$ 450	\$ 5,850	347	\$ 1,200	\$ 416,400	9	\$ 1,200	\$ 10,800	157	\$ 600	\$ 94,200	146	\$ 600	\$ 87,600	-	\$ -	
Non-Pell FT	355	550	195,250	-	550	-	319	300	99,700	5	300	1,500	285	550	156,750	10	550	5,500	35	275	9,625	31	275	8,525	-	-	
No need FT	46	500	23,000	-	500	-	39	250	9,750	1	250	250	36	500	18,000	3	500	1,500	5	250	1,250	5	250	1,250	-	-	
Pell eligible PT	5	300	1,500	-	300	-	4	150	600	-	150	-	6	600	3,600	-	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Non-Pell PT	5	200	1,000	-	200	-	6	100	600	-	100	-	6	200	1,200	-	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appeal	-	-	-	4	-	2,500	6	-	2,100	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1,200.00	
Total	834	\$ 495,700		4	\$ 2,500		740	\$ 273,450		19	\$ 7,600		680	\$ 595,950		23	\$ 19,000		197	\$ 105,075		182	\$ 97,375	1	\$ 1,200.00	Total	\$ 1,597,850
Manchester (Campus IA, WIA)																											
Category	Quarter 2 2020 HI			Quarter 3 2020 HI			Quarter 4 2020 HI			Quarter 1 2021 HI			Quarter 1 2021 HI			Quarter 2 2021 HI											
	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total									
	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total	Students	Amount	Total									
Pell eligible FT	89	\$ 650	\$ 57,850	-	\$ 650	\$ -	75	\$ 550	\$ 41,250	4	\$ 550	\$ 2,200	70	\$ 1,200	\$ 84,000	-	\$ 1,200	\$ -									
Non-Pell FT	84	550	46,200	-	550	-	80	500	40,000	-	500	-	67	550	36,850	6	550	3,300									
No need FT	15	500	7,500	-	500	-	8	450	3,600	-	450	-	7	500	3,500	-	500	-									
Pell eligible PT	8	300	2,400	-	300	-	2	300	600	-	300	-	1	600	600	-	600	-									
Non-Pell PT	3	200	600	-	200	-	1	200	200	-	200	-	2	200	400	-	200	-									
Appeal	1	-	650	3	-	1,800																					
Total	200	\$ 115,200		3	\$ 1,800		166	\$ 85,650		4	\$ 2,200		147	\$ 125,350		6	\$ 3,300								Total	\$ 333,500	
1,034	\$ 610,900		7	\$ 4,300		906	\$ 359,100		23	\$ 9,800		827	\$ 721,300		29	\$ 22,300		197	\$ 105,075		182	\$ 97,375	1	\$ 1,200	Total	\$ 1,891,350	

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