

## Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report – Financial Aid Grants to Students

### Period Covering July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021

Southeastern College received education stabilization funds under the CRRSAA. This fund report applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students referred to as CRRSAA or HEERF II.

The institution appreciates that Congress and the President have made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's ("Department") Electronic Announcements and Guidance.

(1) Southeastern College (OPEID's: 03123900, 03746400, 03555300, 03555400) signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

(2) Southeastern College - West Palm Beach and Miami Lakes (OPEID 03123900) has received \$891,507 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA program.

Southeastern College – North Charleston (OPEID 03555400) has received \$299,918 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA program.

Southeastern College – Charlotte (OPEID 03555300) has received \$371,193 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA program.

Southeastern College – Columbia (OPEID 03746400) has received \$199,730 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA program.

(3) The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA programs as of the date of this report is as follows:

- Southeastern College – West Palm Beach and Miami Lakes (OPEID 03123900) \$891,507
- Southeastern College – North Charleston (OPEID 03555400) \$299,918
- Southeastern College – Charlotte (OPEID 03555300) \$371,193

- Southeastern College – Columbia (OPEID 03746400) \$199,730

(4) The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA program are as follows:

- Southeastern College – West Palm Beach and Miami Lakes (OPEID 03123900) 688 Students

- Southeastern College – North Charleston (OPEID 03555400) 173 Students

- Southeastern College – Charlotte (OPEID 03555300) 230 Students

- Southeastern College – Columbia (OPEID 03746400) 167 Students

(5) The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA program is as follows:

- Southeastern College – West Palm Beach and Miami Lakes (OPEID 03123900) 688 Students

- Southeastern College – North Charleston (OPEID 03555400) 173 Students

- Southeastern College – Charlotte (OPEID 03555300) 230 Students

- Southeastern College – Columbia (OPEID 03746400) 167 Students

(6) Southeastern College has adopted a flexible approach to administering emergency grants to students negatively impacted by the COVID-19 economic crisis. In creating this policy, the institution seeks to achieve five goals:

- To expeditiously develop and implement a plan to distribute CARES Act funds to Southeastern College Students.
- To adhere to CARES Act requirements and Department of Education interpretive guidance in distributing funds.
- To create a process for awarding of funds that is defensible, replicable, and equitable – a process which will stand up to predictable future scrutiny (auditors, legislators, media, etc.).
- To distribute funds in a manner that best ensures student support in light of COVID-19 and economic challenges.
- To utilize existing processes and automate the awarding, distribution, and tracking process to the greatest degree possible.

Eligibility

#### **Title IV (federal financial aid) Status**

Only students who are or could be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), may receive emergency financial aid grants. If a student has filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), then the student has demonstrated this portion of eligibility. Students who have not filed a FAFSA must

do so before applying for a SEC CARES Act grant; this application may be submitted online. The criteria to participate in programs under Section 484 of the HEA include but are not limited to the following: U.S. citizenship or eligible noncitizen; a valid Social Security number; registration with Selective Service (if the student is male); and a high school diploma, GED, or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting. To determine eligibility, follow this link.

### **Military Veterans**

SEC students receiving military benefits to pay for their education who have not completed a FAFSA will receive the maximum grant for their enrollment status as part-time or full-time. Those who have completed a FAFSA will be awarded CARES Act grants as according to the procedure outlined under “Initial Grants” below.

### **Student Status**

A student must have been enrolled as a full-time or part-time degree seeking student on April 1, 2021 to receive HEERF II Grant Aid. All eligible students were awarded grants under HEERF II following the schedules below:

#### **Southeastern College West Palm Beach and Miami Lakes (OPEID 03123900)**

325 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,711 = Award amount was \$1,789

248 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,100 = Award amount was \$895

35 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$5,712 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$1,342

40 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$5,100 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$671

12 students were Full-time with EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$895

#### **Southeastern College – North Charleston (OPEID 03555400)**

113 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,711 = Award amount was \$2,090

36 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,100 = Award amount was \$1,045

9 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$5,712 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$1,568

6 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$5,100 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$784

5 students were Full-time with EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$1,045

4 students were Part-time with an EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$523

#### **Southeastern College – Charlotte (OPEID 03555300)**

115 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,711 = Award amount was \$2,166

85 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,100 = Award amount was \$1,083

6 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$5,712 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$1,625

11 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$5,100 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$813

8 students were Full-time with EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$1,083

5 students were Part-time with an EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$542

**Southeastern College – Columbia (OPEID 03746400)**

108 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,711 = Award amount was \$1,437

41 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$0 – \$5,100 = Award amount was \$719

9 students were Full-time with an EFC of \$5,712 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$1,078

4 students were Part-time with an EFC of \$5,100 – \$15,000 = Award amount was \$539

4 students were Full-time with EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$717

1 students were Part-time with an EFC of >\$15,000 = Award amount was \$359

Students automatically received emergency grant funds via check or direct deposit, depending on the preference indicated at registration. Students receiving the funds will have received an email to their student email account informing them of the award amount.