



## CSC Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds – Update

CSC acknowledges the institution has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the student funding Certification and Agreement and CSC assures that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received to provide to eligible students.

### Round I Emergency Relief Aid

On May 6, 2020, CSC received the Grant Award Notification from the U.S. Department of Education for \$540,638 available to eligible students.

As of May 14, 2020, CSC had awarded 450 students emergency relief funds in the amount totaling \$537,665.

On May 21, 2020, CSC had awarded eight additional students emergency relief funds in the amount totaling \$2,833. (These were pending applications in the process of validating eligibility)

On June 1, 2020, CSC awarded the remaining \$140 to the six students who became eligible following the end of the Spring term.

As of July 15, 2020, no new awards made as all funds were expended, with the exception of \$1, which was granted following the receipt of an updated award letter from the U.S. Department of Education.

On December 14, 2020, CSC awarded the remaining \$1 to one student in the Fall 2020 semester.

CSC determined two groups of eligibility, 1) students who have completed the FAFSA and passed all eligibility requirements and 2) those who have not completed the FAFSA but could potentially be eligible if she or he completed the FAFSA. This group of students were required to upload the supporting documentation to validate eligibility. *As noted by the USDE, students enrolled in purely online programs are not eligible for the federal emergency funds.*

CSC estimated 1,523 students potentially eligible to receive the emergency relief grant.

CSC sent an email to potentially eligible students with a link to a survey in which they checked each category of expenses incurred. The grant amount was determined based on survey response(s), estimated costs for each category based on the estimated Cost of Attendance components, and available funds. Grants were awarded on a first come first serve basis.

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### **Round II Emergency Relief Aid**

On January 14, 2021, CSC received the Grant Award Notification from the U.S. Department of Education for \$540,639 available to eligible students.

As of March 4, 2021, CSC awarded 131 students emergency relief funds in the amount totaling \$254,000 identified as group 1.

As of March 9, 2021, CSC awarded additional 11 students emergency relief funds in the amount totaling \$22,000 to group 1. (These were pending awaiting validation of eligibility)

As of April 1, 2021, CSC awarded 34 students emergency relief funds in the amount totaling \$22,900 identified in group 2.

As of May 14, 2021, CSC awarded 230 students emergency relief funds in the amount totaling \$161,738 identified in group 3.

As of June 3, 2021, CSC awarded 1 student emergency funds in the total amount of \$338 identified in group 3.

CSC is awarding these funds in priority order based on exceptional need. As of April 14, 2021, CSC determined three groups of eligibility 1) Pell eligible students who have \$5,000+ unmet need who have been impacted financially by COVID 19 and 2) Pell eligible students with > \$5,000 unmet need who have been financially impacted by COVID 19 and who demonstrated exceptional need based on submission of supporting documentation. 3) Non-Pell eligible students.

CSC sent emails to the identified eligible candidates with a survey link to complete. Group one, survey included only a reply to a Y/N question if they had been financially impacted by COVID 19. Group two, survey included a set of identifying exceptional need questions and submission of supporting documentation. Group three, surveyed asked if they had been financially impacted by COVID with a Y/N question and a detailed explanation as to how they had been financially impacted if they answered yes to the question.

### **Round III Emergency Relief Aid**

On May 18, 2021, CSC received the Grant Award Notification from the U.S. Department of Education for \$1,886,660 available to eligible students.

CSC is awarding \$3,000 HEERF III funds to all undergraduate students who have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$10,000 or less from their FAFSA results. All financial aid applicants will receive notification that they may be eligible to receive a financial aid adjustment due to a recent loss of employment or other circumstances.

Based on the above criteria, CSC has estimated that approximately 700 students will be eligible for these funds.

As of September 9, 2021, CSC awarded to 27 students emergency relief funds in the amount of \$80,001, remainder of HEERF II

As of September 9, 2021 CSC awarded 630 students emergency relief funds in the amount of \$1,886,660, HEERF III

As of September 9, 2021, CSC awarded 11 students emergency relief funds in the amount of \$31,340, institutional portion of funds

On September 23, 2021, CSC sent out an email to all students that have applied for federal financial aid, notifying them that they had the option to request a financial aid adjustment.

As of September 30, 2021, CSC awarded an additional 34 students emergency relief funds in the amount of \$92,416.72. 4 of these students were awarded funds as lost revenue totaling \$8,416.72 and \$3,000 of the above amount was given to 3 students due to special circumstances.

As of September 30, 2021, CSC has awarded 697 students and has disbursed \$2,064,417.72 of Emergency Relief Funds.

As of January 6, 2022, CSC awarded 74 new students emergency relief funds; and awarded 44 students whom have received emergency relief funds previously additional funds in the total amount of \$190,037.06. 52. Of these students 52 were awarded funds as lost revenue totaling \$92,678.05 and \$97,359 of the above amount was given to 118 students due to special circumstances.

As of January 6, 2022, CSC has awarded 771 students and has disbursed \$2,272,556.31 of Emergency Relief Funds.