



CARES Act Grant Disclosure and Report March 31, 2022

In accordance with Section 18004(e) of the [CARES Act](#) and in compliance with [Department of Education reporting guidance](#), County College of Morris reports the following information:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REPORTING GUIDANCE	COUNTY COLLEGE OF MORRIS
1. An acknowledgement that the institution 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 and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.	County College of Morris acknowledges signing and returning the Certification and Agreement and has used or intends to use at least 50% of funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.	County College of Morris has received a total of \$10,248,292.00 funds, of which \$1,867,019.00 is under HEERF I and \$1,867,019.00 under HEERF II CRRSAA and \$6,514,254 under HEERF III grant award under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) from the Department of Education for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission (<i>i.e.</i> , as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).	As of March 31, 2022, County College of Morris has *distributed \$10,248,292.00 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants (described at the college as " CCM CARES Student Emergency Grant ") under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission. *Award Detail: HEERF I \$1,867,019.00; HEERF II \$1,867,019.00; HEERF III \$6,514,254.00
4. The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs	As of March 31, 2022, the estimated total number of registered students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants is 5,900 students based on allowances made under CRRSAA and ARP.
5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.	As of March 31, 2022, County College of Morris has FULLY EXPENDED , distributing Emergency Financial Aid Grants (described at the college as " CCM CARES Student Emergency Grant ") to 3606 students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.	<p>All students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and CRRSAA/ARP Section 18004(e); and registered at County College of Morris for the Spring/Summer 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring 2021 and Summer 2021 semesters. Eligible students must submit an application for a CCM CARES Student Emergency Grant (exception may apply to FAFSA and NJ Alt. Aid Application filers and exceptional need can be determined (EFC minus COE=Need)). Applications are reviewed for student's eligibility with priority granted to those who demonstrate exceptional need in accordance with HEERF-CRRSAA/ARP. Once all required eligibility criteria's are met, the student is then notified of being award the CARES Grant by way on their CCM student email, with CARES amount viewable on their CCM student self-service portal Titans Direct.</p> <p>The College processes CARES Grants application which will ask for the CCM students name and student ID, a brief description of the expenses they have incurred from campus disruptions or the pandemic (HEERF II & III). In addition to a brief outline on their difficulty i.e. seeking employment and or reduced working hours as a result of the pandemic due to limited capacity working environment, resulting in their inability to pay pass due bills and the amount requested to cover those expenses. Awarding is based on students' dollar amount request (<i>not guaranteed</i>), documented proof of hardship, award standard amounts may range from \$150, \$250, \$500, \$750, \$1,000, \$1,500 and up to the federally recommended PELL Grant maximum award of \$6,495. Under HEERF I & II, requests over \$1,500 are reviewed and awarded individually and based on exceptional need based on FAFSA results, pandemic associated hardship (proof requested) availability of funds. Non-FAFSA filers and non-NJ State Alternative Aid Application (DACA/Undocumented students, under HEERF III (ARP)) filers are required to provide document proof of COVID-19 related hardship as need is unable to be determined for this group. However, in the event that a student presents exceptional documented financial hardship, the college may exceed the recommended maximum. Certain expenses will require additional documentation, which can be uploaded and sent to ccmcares@ccm.edu along with the online application. Additionally, our CARES application allows students the option of receiving the CARES grant in check or funds applied to their tuition charges or pass due balance on their signed approval. In addition to additional award to assist students with software purchases required for class participation.</p> <p>Under HEERF III (ARP), FAFSA and NJ Alternative Financial aid, registered applicants need not apply (exception non-financial aid applicants) by way of the CCM CARES application - Based on the results of students processed financial aid application (Federal and State), demonstrating exceptional need as is determined based on the colleges' Cost of Education minus EFC or State NJEI index. Those students are automatically awarded up to \$3000.00 based on the availability of funds at the time of awarding, of which a check will be mailed by way of USPS unless the student authorizes CCM to apply the grant toward their CCM outstanding balance.</p>
7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.	<p>Instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution, including the application location - https://www.ccm.edu/admissions/financialaid/ccmcares-studentemergencygrant/.</p> <p>In an effort to further assist students, the Office of Financial Aid conducts outreach to students identified as having need, which includes those who withdrew as a result of the pandemic hardship endured to ensuring that they are assisted, having knowledge of resources (Federal, State, County and Institutional) available to them. Additionally, collaboration with the colleges' marketing team, the college has continually promoted the availability of the CARES grant in all CCM social media outlets (internet, Facebook, Twitter, etc.); which includes, availability of this grant to non-credit and workforce development currently registered student students. In addition to assisting the college's Accounting department communication efforts, to students who may not have cashed their CARES distributed check within the allotted time.</p>

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