



April 8, 2022

Southwestern Oregon Community College applied for and received the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF I, II and III) under the CARES, CRRSA and ARP Acts in the amount of \$3,182,796, from the Department of Education.


1. On April 16, 2020, Southwestern Oregon Community College completed and submitted the Certification and Agreement online to request the emergency grant funding through the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA), and the American Rescue Plan (ARP).
2. On April 25, 2020, Southwestern received notification that our request for CARES grant funds was approved. The approved grant amount for HEERF funds is \$540,845. On January 17, 2021, Southwestern received notification of the grant award for the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). The approved grant amount for HEERF II funds is \$540,845. On February 16, 2021, Southwestern received notification of the grant award for the American Rescue Plan (ARP). The approved grant amount for HEERF III funds is \$2,101,106.
3. As of April 8, 2022, Southwestern has disbursed \$540,845 of the HEERF I, \$540,845 of the HEERF II funding and \$2,096,000 of the HEERF III funding via emergency grants to students.
4. CRRSA and ARP funds are not bound by Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. Southwestern determined that all enrolled students are eligible to apply for HEERF III grant funds.
5. As of January, 10, 2022, the total amount of students who have received HEERF funding are as follows:
 - a. HEERF I (CARES) – 755 students received emergency grant funding
 - b. HEERF II (CRRSA) – 1520 students received emergency grant funding
 - c. HEERF III (ARP) – 1563 students have received emergency grant funding
6. The methods used by Southwestern to award HEERF funding is as follows:
 - a. HEERF I (CARES) – As noted in our October 2020 report
 - i. Funding determined:
 1. Full-time = \$775
 2. Three-quarter-time = \$675

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3. Half-time = \$575
4. Less-than-half-time = \$475
- b. HEERF II (CRRSA) – As noted in our October 2021 report
 - i. Award amounts were determined by the enrollment status at the time of running the report (April 2021):
 1. Full-time = \$625
 2. Three-quarter-time = \$528
 3. Half-time = \$425
 4. Less-than-half-time = \$275
- c. HEERF III (ARP) – Emergency application process created, named Lakers Care Grant.
 - i. Award amounts based upon enrollment status at the time of application. Students must apply, confirm they have a financial hardship and note which hardships they are having.
 1. Full-time = \$1600
 2. Three-quarter-time = \$1200
 3. Half-time = \$800
 4. Less-than-half-time = \$400

Example of application:



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Lakers Care Grant

Student ID#: *	<input type="text"/>	Last Name: *	<input type="text"/>	First Name: *	<input type="text"/>
Preferred Phone#: *	<input type="text"/>	SWOCC Email Address: *	<input type="text"/>		
Mailing address: *	<input type="text"/>	City: *	<input type="text"/>	State: *	<input type="text"/>
				Zip Code: *	<input type="text"/>

Have you encountered financial hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic? *

If yes, in which areas are you in need of assistance? Select all that apply:

Do you consent to having your grant funds pay any current or past tuition, fees, books or housing costs?

*If no, please understand you are responsible for paying any outstanding debt prior to registration. **

Yes

No

Tuition and Fees

Child Care

Health Care

Book and Supplies

Technology (Laptop, Internet Svc, etc.)

Food, Utilities and/or Housing

Transportation

Yes

No

7. Instructions, directions and guidance as follows:

- a. HEERF I – see October 2020 report
- b. HEERF II – see October 2021 report
- c. HEERF III
 - i. September 23, 2021 – Press Release
<https://www.socc.edu/blog/2021/09/23/lakers-care-grant-offers-students-financial-relief-for-the-2021-22-academic-year/>

- ii. Flyers handed out to students
- iii. Emails to current students
- iv. Emails to all staff and faculty
- v. Link to application clearly presented in the student portal
- vi. Approval emails to students awarded
- vii. Denial emails to students who did not meet the requirement to be enrolled
- viii. Denial emails to students who reported they did not have a hardship



Financial Aid Director

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Date