HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND (HEERF I, II & III) UNDER SECTION 18004 OF THE CARES ACT & CRRSAA, Public Law 116-260; American Relief Plan, Public Law 117-2

CARES/CRSSA/ARP ACT Report and Disclosure

- 1. Morgan Community College (MCC) acknowledges that on April 20, 2020, the institution's President, Curt Freed, signed the U.S. Department of Education Certification and Agreement Form for Emergency Financial Aid grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. MCC used at least 50% of the initial funds Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF I) allocated to MCC under Section 18004(a) (1) of the CARES Act for the sole and exclusive purpose of providing emergency financial aid grants to students for their expenses related to the disruption of campus instruction due to coronavirus. MCC acknowledges that an equal additional amount of funds from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II) authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) for distribution to students. MCC acknowledges that the <u>American Rescue Plan</u> (ARP) includes additional COVID-19 relief for institutions of higher education. This new COVID stimulus bill included \$40 billion, available through September 30, 2023, for higher education institutions and students, using the same Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) model established in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. MCC acknowledges that 50% of the ARP (HEERF III) funds will be spent on student grants.
- 2. The total cumulative amount of HEERF funding for Emergency Financial Aid grants to students that MCC is entitled to receive based upon notification the latest Grant Award Notification received on September 7, 2021, under Section PL 1126-136 Title VIII Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CFDA 84.425E) is \$1,322,307.
- **3.** The total amount of HEERF III funded Emergency Student Aid grants distributed directly to students as of December 31, 2021, is \$723,765.38. Remaining HEERF III funds will be distributed to eligible students as need/eligibility is identified.
 - The total amount of HEERF II funded Emergency Student Aid grants distributed directly to students as of June 30, 2021 is \$205,629. (All funds distributed.)
 - The total amount of HEERF I funded grants distributed directly to MCC students March 31, 2021, is \$205,629. (All funds distributed.)
- **4.** The estimated total number of MCC students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and therefore eligible to receive a grant funded by HEERF III is 1,459.
- **5.** The total number of HEERF III Emergency Student Aid awards made directly to MCC students in the Fourth Quarter of 2021 (10/01/2021-12/31/2021) using HEERF III funds is 54. The unduplicated number of MCC students who have received a HEERF III student aid grant is 624. The average award is \$1,163.09.
- **6.** To be eligible for a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) grant, a student must:
 - Have been registered at MCC
 - Demonstrate documented need

Institutions may also award student grants based on completion of the designated emergency grant application for:

- any component of their cost of attendance
- emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as:
- tuition
- o food
- housing
- health care (including mental)
- child care

MCC recognizes that most students have some amount of need during this economic time. MCC used a prorated chart based upon documented need to establish award amounts for the Summer 2021 term. MCC awarded grants to eligible students based upon an online application for grant funding. Non-Pell eligible students that applied for funding were considered at a lower amount. Priority was given to students with exceptional need as follows:

<u>Summer 2021 HEERF III/ARP</u> <u>Awards Chart</u>			
	Pell Eligible EFC	Non-Pell Eligible EFC	No EFC
Full-time (12 or more credits)	\$1,750.00	\$1,500.00	\$750.00
3/4-time (9 - 11 credits)	\$1,500.00	\$1,250.00	\$750.00
Half-time (6 - 8 credits)	\$1,250.00	\$1,000.00	\$750.00
Less than Half-time	\$1,000.00.00	\$750.00	\$750.00

Fall 2021 ARP	Paid out as direct pay to student.	
Awards Chart for Blanket Awarding		
		150% of Pell Eligible
	Pell Eligible EFC	EFC
	Award Amount	Award Amount
Enrollment Status		
FT	1400	700
3QT	1050	525
нт	700	350
LHT	350	175

Application posted for all students to apply.	Student choice of pay out or apply.	
Online applicants will be considered for following amounts:	Enrollment Status	Enrollment Status
Cost of Attendance Components	FT/3QT	HT/LHT
Tuition/Fees	600	300
Books and Supplies	400	200
Housing	400	200
Food	400	200
Medical	300	150
Personal	300	150
Transportation	300	150
Other emergency costs due to COVID	300	150

HEERF III funds were issued as a Bank Mobile refund unless the student voluntarily chose to apply the funds to the balance of their account.

7. Students were notified via an email to their morgancc.edu account of their award. Information on availability, eligibility and the application process was provided to students through the Office of Financial Aid website, by financial aid and academic advisors, and via direct email to students. Student award notifications read as follows:

Summer Notification:

Dear MCC Student,

On December 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was signed into law. This law authorized a sum of money to provide financial aid grants to assist students with the expenses of college attendance, such as: tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), childcare, and other emergency costs that arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to CRRSAA, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law on March 11, 2021. This law also provided COVID-19 relief for institutions of higher education. Students may receive funding from ARP for any component of

their cost of attendance and emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition; food; housing; health care (including mental); childcare.

You have been recently awarded a CRRSAA or ARP grant. These grant funds were either applied to your tuition and fees and the remaining amount refunded to you or the funds were sent directly to you based on your selection on the MCC Emergency Grant Application. If you have a refund, the funds were disbursed to your Bank Mobile student account recently. Your refund was processed according to your selected refund preference (direct deposit to bank account, mailed check, or bank mobile debit card). Please note that if these funds were refunded directly to you, the student, you could have a remaining balance. If you still owe a balance to MCC, you may choose to bring these funds back to MCC and pay your bill, but you are not required to do so. Your balance will still need to be paid. If you have a NBS payment plan, that will stay the same.

You can view your CRRSAA or ARP award amount in the portal (MYMCC) on the billing statement. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at <u>financialaid@morgancc.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

MCC Financial Aid

Fall 2021 Notification

«ID»

ARP GRANT NOTIFICATION

<<DATE>>

Dear «FNAME»,

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law on March 11, 2021. This law provided COVID-19 relief funding to institutions of higher education. Students may receive funding from ARP for any component of their cost of attendance and emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition; food; housing; health care (including mental); childcare.

You were awarded an ARP grant during the Fall 2021 semester. Unless you voluntarily elected to have your grant funds applied to your account at Morgan Community College, ARP grant funds were provided to you as a direct payment and were refunded to you through your BankMobile refund preference. You can set up, change, or confirm your preference by logging into MyMCC student portal. (On the Dashboard tab, click the Bank Mobile icon.)

You may still have a remaining balance due for tuition, fees and/or books. You may choose to bring any funds that were sent directly to you back to MCC to pay your bill, but you are not required to do so; however, your balance will still need to be paid.

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MCC Financial Aid