

## 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 [American Rescue Plan](#) (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 June 1, 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 June 30, 2021 is \$297,121. Remaining HEERF III funds will be distributed to eligible students as need 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 II is 1,231.
5. The total number of HEERF III Emergency Student Aid awards made directly to MCC students in the Second Quarter of 2021 (04/01/2021 – 06/30/2021) using HEERF III funds is 322. The unduplicated number of MCC students who have received a HEERF III student aid grant is 322. The average award was \$922.74.
6. To be eligible for a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) grant, a student must:
  - Have been registered at MCC
  - Must meet Title IV citizenship criteria
  - Demonstrate documented need

Institutions may award student grants for:

- any component of their cost of attendance
- emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as:
  - tuition
  - 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:

**Summer 2021 HEERF III/ARP Awards Chart**

|                                       | Pell Eligible EFC    | Up to 150% Pell Eligible EFC | No/High EFC     |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Full-time (12 or more credits)</b> | <b>\$1,750.00</b>    | <b>\$1,500.00</b>            | <b>\$750.00</b> |
| <b>3/4-time (9 - 11 credits)</b>      | <b>\$1,500.00</b>    | <b>\$1,250.00</b>            | <b>\$750.00</b> |
| <b>Half-time (6 - 8 credits)</b>      | <b>\$1,250.00</b>    | <b>\$1,000.00</b>            | <b>\$750.00</b> |
| <b>Less than Half-time</b>            | <b>\$1,000.00.00</b> | <b>\$750.00</b>              | <b>\$750.00</b> |

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.

- 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 [financialaid@morgancc.edu](mailto:financialaid@morgancc.edu).*

*Sincerely,*

*MCC Financial Aid*