

Status of Coronavirus Emergency Financial Aid to Students (Federal Reporting)
Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds III (ARP),
Public Lab 117-2,
U.S. Department of Education
As of September 30th 2021

- Alamance Community College (College) signed and returned to the Department of Education (Department) the College's Certification and Agreement for Student Financial Aid Grants to Students under the ARP-HEERF III. This includes assurance that the College has used, or intends to use, no less than \$4,309,066 of the funds received under Section 2003 (a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Financial Aid Grants to students.

- The College was funded \$4,309,066 from the Department pursuant to the College's Certification of Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

- As of the date of this report, the College distributed \$876,525 under the student portion of Section 2003 (a)(1) of ARP funds.

- The estimated total number of the College's students eligible to participate in the programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 2003 (a)(1) of the ARP is 1,253. For Summer 2021 1,253 students were eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants. For Fall 2021 2817 students were eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

- As of the date of this report, the total number of students who received an Student Financial Aid Grant under Section 2003 (a)(1) of the ARP is 1,253 for Summer 2021 and 85 for Fall 2021.

- The methods used by the College to determine which students receive Student Financial Aid Grants, including how much a student would receive under Section 314 (a)(1) of the CRRSAA have been determined. See Exhibit 1 for Phase 1, Phase 2 distribution.

- Students who are eligible to receive a Student Financial Aid Grant received a formula based grant. Students that were Pell eligible and enrolled in the Summer of 2021 enrolled Pell eligible students received \$855, students that had need, but not Pell eligible received \$425, students with a FAFSA on file received \$200 and students with no FAFSA received \$150.

- Students who are eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant were required to complete an online application to request additional funding.

Alamance Community College Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (HEERF) Act Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Eligibility Determination Guidelines

Phase 1 Distribution

- Student must have been enrolled in at least one curriculum course or Career Ready Continuing Education class during the Summer 2021 semester. Dual Enrolled, GED, AHS and Career and College Promise student were excluded.
- Student were encouraged to complete a FAFSA to qualify for the need based student financial aid grants (Exhibit 1)
- Student must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and be deemed Title IV eligible as defined by Section 484 of the Higher Education Act. Eligibility criteria include the following:
 - o Student has a high school diploma or GED.
 - o Student has a verified security number.
 - o Student is a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or eligible noncitizen.
- Awards range from \$150 to \$855. Students that are Pell Eligible received \$855 each, students that were not eligible, but still had unmet need up to a \$25,000 EFC were awarded \$425, students with a FAFSA on file were awarded \$200 and students with no FAFSA were awarded \$150.

Students were notified on their Self Service account as well as by email about their award. Students were also notified of the process to request additional funds if needed. (Exhibit 2)

Phase 2 Distribution

After July 6th 2021, funds that remained available for ARP student grants allocated to an emergency fund. Students may request the funds by contacting either the Single Stop office or the Financial Aid office. Students are asked to complete a simple application to request the funds (Exhibit 3). Students with available unmet need are awarded up to \$1,000 and students with no unmet need or no FAFSA are awarded up to \$500.

Phase 3 Distribution

Yet to be determined for Fall of 2021

EXHIBIT 1

Alamance Community College is in the process of qualifying students for the second round of CARES funds. These funds are to defray the cost of the items in a student cost of attendance, including tuition, books, supplies, housing, utilities, transportation, health insurance, food and medical costs. These funds can also defray the cost of the impact of COVID-19 including medical bills and job loss due to COVID-19.

To be considered for these funds you must have a 2020-21 FAFSA on file with Alamance Community College by April 12th 2021. As of March 18th 2021 we do not have a record of your 2020-21 FAFSA on file with our office. If you believe you have completed a 2020-21 FAFSA, please contact the Financial Aid Office at 336-506-4340.

If you need assistance with the FAFSA please sign up for one of our weekly workshops here: <https://www.alamancecc.edu/financial-aid-site/financial-information-workshops/>

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Financial Aid Office at financialaid@alamancecc.edu.

Sincerely,
Financial Aid Office
Alamance Community College

EXHIBIT 2

Dear @FIRST.NAME ,

You qualify for an emergency grant funded by the United States CARES Act allotment of funds of the American Rescue Plan (HEERF III) . Most Alamance Community College (ACC) students are potentially eligible.

CARES/HEERF grants are provided to you to cover parts of your cost of attendance due to COVID-19, including tuition, books, housing, utilities, transportation, food and medical expenses.

Grants are awarded based on individual student financial need as reported on your 2020-21 FAFSA.

Grants will be posted to your Self Service account. You must verify that your address is correct on your Self Service account. If your address is incorrect, please contact Admissions at admissions@alamancecc.edu to update. The College will need about two weeks to process, prepare, and mail a check to the address you have on file with the College.

If you need financial assistance not related to campus closure (example job loss etc.) and are currently enrolled at Alamance Community College, please make an appointment with a specialist to discuss your options.

If you have any questions, please email financialaid@alamancecc.edu.

EXHIBIT 3

Student Financial Emergency Assistance Grant Application

This is a short term emergency TEMPORARY program and will end once the grant funds are exhausted.

* Required

Student ID Number *

Student Name (first and last name) *

Address: *

City: *

State: *

Zip code: *

Student Email Address *

Telephone: *

I am currently enrolled and actively taking classes at Alamance Community College. *

Yes

No

My household financial situation has been negatively impacted due to the coronavirus. *

Yes

No

Alamance Community College Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (HEERF II) Act Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Institutional Funds Portion

Alamance Community College allocated a portion of institutional funds to assist highly needy students with expenses related to COVID-19.

Grocery Store Gift Cards \$10,000

Many local food banks, including the Alamance Community College student food bank, were experiencing food shortages. Furthermore, students were unable to obtain staples like dairy and meat products. Alamance Community College purchased \$10,000 worth of \$100 gift cards to distribute to students in need due to COVID-19. As of September 20th 2021, \$2,900 has been distributed directly to students.

Trio Student \$70,000

Alamance Community College provided a one-time grant to eligible TRIO students to address the cost of attendance or for emergencies related to coronavirus. Once students completed the short application, (EXHIBIT 5) checks were sent directly to students. As of September 20th 2021, \$12,500 has been distributed directly to students.

EXHIBIT 5

TRIO- Student Access Grant

This is a grant designed to provide financial assistance for active TRIO students.

* Required

Student ID Number *

First Name *

Last Name *

Address *

City *

State *

Zip Code *

Telephone Number *

I am currently enrolled and actively taking classes at Alamance Community College. *

Yes

No

I am a United States citizen or a permanent resident. *

Yes

No

My household financial situation has been negatively impacted due to the coronavirus. *

Yes

No

Have you met or corresponded with the TRIO Success Coach? *

Yes

No

Have you met or corresponded with the TRIO Academic Adviser for registration or student related services? *

Yes

No

Have you attended any TRIO workshops? *

Yes

No