

## Quarterly Public Reporting Requirement for Student Aid Portion

Skagit Valley College has signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement related to the receipt and subsequent disbursement of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

2021 Quarter 4 Report (due 1/10/2022)	
Date of report:	1/7/2022

Total amount of funds received from HEERF I, II and III	\$6,867,888
Total amount of funds disbursed to students from all HEERF grants during the quarter	\$545,580
Estimated number of students eligible to receive HEERF grants during the quarter	3,688
The number of students who received HEERF grants during the quarter	252

### Method(s) used to determine student eligibility:

During Summer 2021 and Fall 2021 Skagit Valley College (SVC) prioritized students with the highest demonstrated financial need (Pell Grant or Washington College Grant eligible) and automatically disbursed funds to this population. All remaining students were eligible to request emergency funding through an electronic application. These students must self-attest to all eligibility requirements for HEERF funding at time of application.

The state of Washington was granted a preliminary injunction, allowing HEERF funds to be awarded to non-Title IV eligible students. Based on that injunction, the eligibility requirements were:

1. Enrollment in at least 1.0 credit
2. Citizenship status (US Citizen or eligible Non-Citizen) – *NOTE: This requirement was lifted on May 11<sup>th</sup>, upon updated Department of Education (ED) guidance.*
3. Incurred qualifying expenses/financial needs as a result of COVID-19

Financial aid staff review applications to ensure ED eligibility is met. Amounts are provided consistently to each student, varying per quarter:

- Summer 2021: \$2,165
- Fall 2021: \$2,165

\*Note: Some award amounts exceeded those noted above, based on exceptional need/unique circumstances on a case by case basis, with additional documentation provided.

SVC uses the College's Customer Relationship Management (CRM) software to deploy and track the opt-in applications, the State Board of Community and Technical College (SBCTC) hosted Financial Aid Management system to track awards, and BankMobile and paper checks for funds distribution.

**Information for Students:**

Eligible Skagit Valley College students who have incurred expenses related to the COVID-19 health crisis may qualify for emergency funding made available via the Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II), previously known as "CARES". Additional information regarding these COVID-19 related emergency funds including eligibility guidelines please visit our [Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief](#) Fund webpage.