

**Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund  
Quarterly Student Aid Portion Public Reporting Requirement  
For Gulf Coast State College (001490-00)  
Final Report**

*Per section 18004(e) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”), Pub. L. No. 116–136, 134 Stat. 281, and <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/heerfreporting.html>, the following describes Gulf Coast State College’s (GCSC) use of student assistance funds distributed from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (“HEERF”) prescribed by the CARES Act of 2020, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) of 2021, and the American Rescue Plan (ARP) of 2021. Pub. L. No. 116–260.*

1. GCSC signed and returned the “Certification and Agreement” that the U.S. Department of Education (ED) required for receipt of HEERF funds on Friday, April 10, 2020. Furthermore, GCSC assures that we intend to use no less than the applicable amount of funds designated under the CARES Act, CRRSAA, and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. GCSC has received a total of \$6,877,694.00 from ED pursuant to our “Certification and Agreement” for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
3. \$6,877,694.00 of Emergency Financial Aid Grant funding has been distributed to students under the CARES Act, CRRSAA, and ARP as of December 31, 2021, meaning 100% of allocated funds have been distributed. This is the final report.
4. GCSC estimates that approximately 5,800 students at our institution were potentially eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP based on current federal guidance on eligibility.
5. 5,637 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under the CARES Act, CRRSAA, and ARP as of December 31, 2021.
6. In the fourth quarter, GCSC automatically provided Emergency Financial Aid Grant funding to most students enrolled in the fall semester. Students qualifying for need-based financial aid were given priority by awarding them a larger amount first, followed by all other students. High school dual-enrolled students, students only enrolled in recreation and leisure courses or Continuing Education courses, and withdrawn students were not provided funding.
7. GCSC typically uses email to communicate with students. Recipients of funds were notified through their GC email that funds can be used for emergency expenses due to the coronavirus or any component of their costs of attendance, such as tuition, books, technology, food, housing, health care, etc.