# Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

January 10, 2021

Huntington Junior College (OPE ID: 009047) received education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Public Law No: 116-136. This Fund Report applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

The institution appreciates that Congress and the President have made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's ("Department") Electronic Announcement of May 6, 2020. For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact Lake Tackett, Associate Director, at ltackett2@huntingtonjuniorcollege.edu.

- 1. The institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. The institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.
- 2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is 192,226.
- 3. The total amount of emergency financial aid grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is \$ 188,400.
- 4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and thus eligible to receive emergency financial aid grants 125.
- 5. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is 119.
- 6. The methods used by the institution to determine which students receive emergency financial aid grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act are provided at <u>Attachment</u> A.
- 7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants are provided at **Attachment B**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>See</u>: https://ifap.ed.gov/electronic-announcements/050620HigherEdEmergencyReliefFundRptg

## **Attachment A**

#### AWARDS FOR SPRING QUARTER HEERF WITH SUMMER ADDENDUM

PELL ELIGIBLE STUDENTS	LIVING	TECH	TOTAL
INDEPENDENT	500	500	1000
INDEPENDENT W/CHILD	700	500	1200
DEPENDENT W/FAMILY	300	500	800
DEPENDENT ON OWN	500	500	1000
NOT PELL ELIGIBLE		500	500

All students awarded have completed a 2019-20 FAFSA to ensure Title IV eligibility as required.

Determination of whether they have a child will be based on the responses on their signed applications. Any conflicting information between the applications and students' ISIR information will be resolved on a student by student basis.

Using these numbers we will make one full disbursement per award. The students who receive the full amount for Spring would not get another full award for Summer. The remaining full award amounts will be used for new and returning in-house students who had not previously been awarded this grant whose education delivery had to be changed to online learning. Based on remaining funds there may be funds available to award living expenses to these students awarded for the Spring quarter whose education continues to be disrupted due to COVID-19.

#### ADDENDUM:

Based on the continuing disruption to in-house students during the Summer quarter, HJC increased the Summer distribution for living expenses by \$200 across the board. Non-Pell eligible students were awarded the \$200. Initial Summer awards were as awarded in the first round of awards in Spring.

## **Attachment B**

# Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

The U.S. Department of Education has made Emergency Financial Aid Grants available to oncampus students at Huntington Junior College to provide extra support for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Using current Financial Aid eligibility and the information on this application, HJC will award these one-time need-based grants. Your response to this email with your signature is your application for this cash grant.

Only current students who are actively participating in classes are eligible to receive these funds. These checks will come directly to you and will not impact your financial aid eligibility.

Each student's situation is different but there are areas that have affected many of you. Please read each statement and circle the answer that applies to you.

I have extra expenses from disruption of on-campus classes due to COVID-19 including:

(A.) Food & housing expenses.	Yes	No
(B.) Technology costs for online classes.	Yes	No
(C.) Care & support for my child/children.	Yes	No

By circling Yes or No to each statement you are promising that the information is true and accurate. By signing, you are also promising that these funds will be used for COVID-19 related emergency expenses.

To get your funds quickly, please sign and r	eturn this form to HJC by June 30 2020.
You can either: email to ltackett2@hunting	tonjuniorcollege.edu; fax to 304-697-7554, use
regular mail, or make an appointment to si	gn and/or drop off at HJC by calling 304-697-7550.
Signature	 Date