

**September 30, 2021 REPORT ON HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND III FOR STUDENTS**

<p>The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) is authorized by the American Rescue Plan (ARP), Public Law 117-2, signed into law on March 11, 2021, providing \$39.6 billion in support to institutions of higher education to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>ARP funds are in addition to funds authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260 and the Coronavirus Aid, Recovery, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Public Law 116-136. Emergency funds available to institutions and their students under all emergency funds total \$76.2 billion.</p>	
Total amount of HEERF III funds allocated to BCC for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.	<b>\$2,006,844</b>
Total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to BCC students under HEERF III.	<b>\$329,018.60 (as of 09/30/21)</b>
Estimated total number of students at BCC eligible to participate in programs under HEERF III.	<b>1,386</b>
Total number of BCC students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under HEERF III.	<b>341 (as of 09/30/21)</b>
<p>Selection criteria used by BCC to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under HEERF III:</p>	
<p><b>ARP: American Rescue Plan (HEERF III) Block Grants</b> totaling \$113,100 were awarded for the Summer 2021 semester (\$300.00 - \$900): This allocation was awarded to students as a direct cash payment to help defray food costs and expenses associated with Internet and other utilities needed for remote learning. Awards were based on the number of weeks attended during the semester and the following student eligibility criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled in at least one 3-credit Summer 2021 course.</li> <li>• Priority funding was provided to students who completed the 2020-2021 FAFSA with an Expected Family Contribution less than or equal to 6692 (BCC's 2020-2021 direct Cost of Attendance for a full year of full-time study).</li> </ul>	<p><b>HEERF III Emergency Applications:</b> Approximately \$100,000 of HEERF III funds have been reserved for students who are seeking additional emergency funds to help cover a range of coronavirus-related expenses such as housing, health care, child care and food.* To access the application portal:</p> <p><a href="https://academicworks.com">Sign In - BCC Foundation Scholarship Opportunities (academicworks.com)</a></p>