CARES Act Reporting – Round 3

CARES Act: Emergency Aid to Students Reporting

The CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act), enacted by Congress on March 27. The allocation of Emergency Financial Aid Grants for Students is intended for FAFSA-eligible students whose education was impacted by the COVID19 pandemic. These grants provide direct aid to students to help with technology, food, housing, course materials, health care, and childcare.

The U.S. Department of Education requires the following information be posted on our college website.

Clinton College CARES Act Report

Certification and Agreement of CARES Act Funds

Clinton College will be providing emergency grant assistance to students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Clinton College signed and returned the Certification and Agreement document to the U.S. Department of Education on April 23rd, 2020. Within this agreement, Clinton College has agreed to spend no less than 50 percent of the total funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act on direct emergency grant aid to students.

Total Funds Received

On May 13th, 2021, Clinton College received \$616,897 in total funds pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Amount of Grants Awarded

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants awarded to students at Clinton College under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of March 30th is \$73,000.

Eligible Students

The estimated total number of students at Clinton College eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 93.

Number of Grants Awarded

Clinton College received 60 applications. The review committee reviewed all applications and 49 applications were awarded based on meeting the eligibility requirements under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Please see chart below that reflect the weekly report of Emergency Aid awards to students.

Weekly Emergency Aid Award Report		
	Disbursement Date	Amount Disbursed
Disbursement 1	6/30/2021	\$55,500
Disbursment 2	7/14/2021	\$18,000
Total Disbursement		\$73,000

Disbursement Allocation and Plan

All US Citizens who were enrolled at the time that Clinton College Spring 2021 and meet Title IV eligibility requirements have been deemed eligible to apply for emergency aid.

Clinton College opened an online application process for students to apply for Emergency Funding through the CARES Act. A full review of applicants and their reported expenses were conducted by a review committee upon receipt of each application. For approval, the reported expense must have reflected an expense incurred due to the disruption of campus.

Applications were reviewed and disbursed weekly.

Instructions/Directions/Guidance Provided to Students:

On June 17th, 2021, Clinton College issued an announcement via email to students explaining the Emergency Relief funds through the Cares Act. The explanation included a breakdown of eligible expenses. See below:

Dear Students,

Through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), Clinton College has received funds to provide grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible expenses, as related to a student's educationally related expenses include food, housing, course materials, healthcare and childcare.

In addition, the email directed students to the link to apply for the funds.