

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

9/30/2023

Central Texas Beauty College (OPE ID: 02239100) 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 will distribute 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 August 31, 2020 (See <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/08/31/2020-19041/notice-of-public-posting-requirement-of-grant-information-for-higher-education-emergency-relief-fund>). For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact Jennifer Painter, Assistant Director of Financial Aid, at ctbcrr@gmail.com.

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 **\$151,291.00**.
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 **\$139,459.73**.
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 under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, as of the date of this Fund Report is **434**.
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 **118**.
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 **Attachment A**.
7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance that will be provided by the Institution to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants are provided at **Attachment B**.

## **Attachment A**

Under this program, \$151,291 has been allocated to Central Texas Beauty College in emergency financial aid grants. This money will be awarded directly to students affected by disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus. Central Texas Beauty College has discretion to determine amount of each grant and distribute the grants in compliance with all applicable laws, including non-discrimination.

The school believes that all students enrolled on March 13, 2020, were financially impacted tremendously by coronavirus and the transition to distance education with regard to cost of attendance as described. Therefore, the first round of emergency grants were used to assist all eligible students and distributed equally to each student who was enrolled on March 13, 2020, who earned any distance education hours on or after March 23, 2020, and who were Title IV eligible.

Because many students in the population described above did not request emergency grant relief, the school is distributing a second round of emergency grants with the remaining funds. The qualifications for receiving a portion of the second round of distributions is as follows: (i) students who were enrolled in Central Texas Beauty College during the dates of September 1, 2020 to September 1, 2021, (ii) who have not received any prior disbursement of HEERF Grant funds from Central Texas Beauty College or any other college, (iii) who were Title IV eligible (have a FAFSA on file in the award year of his or her enrollment), and (iv) who demonstrate significant financial need related to the COVID-19 global pandemic

This allocation policy follows guidance from FAQ from the Dept. of Education regarding which students are eligible to receive emergency financial grants from the HEERF. Specifically, this guidance states that, “only students who are or could be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), may receive emergency financial aid grants. If a student has filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), then the student has demonstrated eligibility to participate in programs under Section 484 the HEA. The criteria to participate in programs under Section 484 of the HEA include but are not limited to the following: U.S.citizenship or eligible noncitizen; a valid Social Security number; registration with Selective Service (if the student is male); and a high school diploma, GED, or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting.”

## **Attachment B**

### **CARES ACT - Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Grant Application**

On April 9, 2020, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos announced the U.S. Department of Education was making immediately available to postsecondary institutions more than \$6.2 billion in emergency grants for students impacted by Coronavirus and authorized in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") The approximately \$6.2 billion accounts for the portion of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (Sec. 18004) that must be used to provide emergency financial aid grants directly to students. This first allocation of Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund must be used exclusively for student emergency financial aid grants. Only students who are or could be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), may receive emergency financial aid grants. The school will make every reasonable effort to distribute this grant money to eligible students as quickly as possible once it is received.

Central Texas Beauty College's cohort of eligible students consists of all students who were enrolled on March 13, 2020, the date of the Disaster Declaration, (ii) who earned any hours of training via temporary distance education on or after March 23, 2020, and (iii) who were Title IV eligible. Each student will be eligible for only one grant unless additional funding becomes available. Grant amounts allocated to each student are determined based on the school's total "Minimum Allocation of Grant Monies to be Awarded for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students" divided by the eligible cohort of total students.

**Estimated Grant Amount = \$1146.14 per Eligible Student (First Distribution)**

**Estimated Grant Amount = \$1183.09 per Eligible Student (this may change depending on the number of students who qualify) (Second Distribution)**

### **Online Questionnaire & Certification That Will Be Provided to Students Upon Release of Funds:**

- 1. Were you enrolled at Central Texas Beauty College between September 1, 2020 and September 1, 2021?**
- 2. Approximately when did you enroll in Central Texas Beauty College (month and year)?**
- 3. Have you received any HEERF Emergency Fund Grant money previously from Central Texas Beauty College or any other College?**

- 4. Did you complete the 2020-2021 or 2021-2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?**
- 5. Please answer the following question with a brief description of your situation. How has COVID-19 and the disruption of campus operations impacted your job/work status and/or ability to study and/or financial situation, in regards to food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and childcare?**
- 6. How will this relief grant help you get through this emergency?**
- 7. Use of Grant Certification - By placing my first and last initial here, I certify to only use grant proceeds for eligible expenses such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare.**
- 8. I hereby acknowledge the following: Should an otherwise eligible student fail to certify need, these funds will not be granted (or must be returned to the Institution by the student if previously granted) to be reallocated among additional students who were affected by COVID-19 and did not receive grant monies under the initial disbursements. The Institution will not, at the request of the student, redirect their funds to a particular student in need. Successful completion of this form does not guarantee approval of grant monies unless all other eligibility requirements are also met.**
- 9. TYPE FIRST AND LAST NAME AS SIGNATURE: I agree by providing my name below, I am in essence rendering my signature in acknowledgement of the completed statements on this form and stating that all information is true and accurate as of the date of this form. I also acknowledge that the "Estimated Grant Amount" is not guaranteed, is subject to change based on final calculation of eligible students, and that all other grant eligibility requirements must be satisfied for monies to be awarded.**