

In accordance with Department of Education guidelines, Southeast Community College has determined that all undergraduate students enrolled at the College who are not dual-enrolled in high school may be eligible for Emergency Financial Aid Grants for students under the ARP (a)(1) program. The College used EFC data to determine the amount of financial assistance students would automatically receive in a disbursement of funds. Students who had an EFC that placed them in range to receive a Pell grant were awarded \$900. Students who either had an EFC above the Pell grant amount, did not have an EFC and/or did not apply for Federal Financial Aid received a grant in the amount of \$700.

In addition, the College established an ARP/HEERF III Additional Relief Application for students to request grant aid above the amount that was automatically distributed. This application asked students to attest to their need and provide information about financial needs related to COVID-19. The ARP/HEERF III Additional Relief funds were provided through the institutional portion of the ARP (a)(1) program. Student could be awarded one time and the maximum amount a student could receive in these funds was set at \$500.

As of January 10, 2022, Southeast Community College developed a website specifically for the ARP (a)(1) program. This site is accessible at <https://www.southeast.edu/arp-heerf-iii/> and links off the College's COVID 19 updates page. The site provides pertinent information about the ARP (a)(1) emergency financial aid grants which includes eligibility, how much students will receive, how grant amounts were determined, how the grants will be distributed and when they could expect to receive the funds. The College also communicated directly via email to 6,909 students informing them that they would receive an automatic distribution of ARP/HEERF III funds based on their Fall semester enrollment. Students were also provided instructions on the college ARP/HEERF III website about the requirements for the ARP/HEERF III Additional Relief Application and how they could apply for those funds.