

As a participating HEERF institution, Southwest Virginia Community College provides the following information:

1. Southwest Virginia Community College has signed and returned to the Department, the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under the Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

2. Southwest Virginia Community College has received \$835,768 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

3. As of (DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION – **12/31/20**), Southwest has distributed (**\$835,768**) in Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

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 to students under the Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is **1213**.

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is **720**.

6. Southwest used the following criteria to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act:

- The Department of Education requires that students be eligible for federal financial aid through Title IV of the Higher Education Act.
- US Citizenship
- Student met Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) before 1/13/20
- Student completed all requested documents due to financial aid before 3/13/20
- Student is enrolled for a minimum of 6 credit hours that were not originally all online for Spring 2020 semester
- Student met the specified Expected Family Contribution (EFC) ceiling for the VCCS Cares Funding model at Southwest.

7. Guidance for students was shared in the following ways:

- Southwest created a webpage dedicated to this information located here: <https://sw.edu/cares-act-funding-for-students/>
- Students, along with faculty and staff, were emailed the criteria for eligibility and guidelines on usage for the funds on May 7, 2020, located here: (<https://sw.edu/wp-content/uploads/CARES-ACT-STUDENT-EMAIL.pdf>)