Reporting of Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Grants to Students

New Mexico Junior College (NMJC) signed and returned the <u>Recipient's Funding Certification</u> and <u>Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students</u> and intends to use the funds to provide the mandated amount of at least 50 percent of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) grants to students.

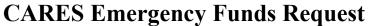
- The total amount of funds that the institution will receive under the HEERF student portion is \$560,502
- Of those funds, the total amount that has been distributed to students as of December 31, 2020 is \$391,000
- The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under <u>Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965</u>, as amended (HEA), and therefore eligible to receive an emergency grant is 914.
- The total number of students who have received an emergency grant is 466.

NMJC required each student that was requesting funding fill out an online application. Within the application students were asked to identify the category(s) of expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19 they incurred. The categories were:

- Food
- Housing
- Course Materials
- Technology
- Health Care
- Childcare Expenses
- Other Expenses (Expenses that do not fit any of the above)

Students were awarded a maximum of \$500 for each category selected, up to a total maximum of \$1000 for the first round of distribution. (Based on needs and funding available, students may be eligible for additional rounds of funding). All applications were screened for initial eligibility requirements as defined by the Department of Education.

The following guidance was distributed to students via the College website, email, and social media.





New Mexico Junior College has received federal funding from the CARES Act, which is intended to help with student expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. These funds are intended to assist students in these areas:

- Food
- Housing
- Course Materials
- Technology
- Health Care
- Childcare Expenses
- Other Expenses (Expenses that do not fit any of the above)

Application for Funds

In order to access these funds, you must complete <u>this application</u>. NMJC will review your application and process your request as soon as possible.

After your application is received, you will be contacted within 7 days at your NMJC email address to either notify you of your application approval/denial or ask for more information.