Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) – Student Allocation Report
July 2020

Tohono O’odham Community College acknowledges we have received Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) through the Department of Education. The CARES Act requires institutions to use no less than 50% of the funds received from the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to student for the expenses related to disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19.

- TOCC received a total of $199,279 with 50% ($99,640) going directly to students
- The total amount distributed to students, as of July 2020 is $75,500
- There were an estimated 277 students enrolled in Spring 2020 who were eligible to apply for this funding
- Out of 169 students who applied, 130 students were awarded
  - 77% of students who applied qualified
  - 23% of applicants were deemed not qualified, in accordance with the guidelines provided through the CARES Act
- TOCC’s method to determine students’ eligibility under Section 1800(a)(1) of the CARES Act:
  - Students were required to submit an online application, which included a survey regarding technology issues in order for us to assess the needs of our students
  - Awards were granted in the follow amounts for Spring 2020 semester:
    - Student taking 3-5 credits: $200
    - Student taking 6-8 credits: $400
    - Students taking 9 or more credits: $700
  - Application/Surveys were timestamped upon submission. Staff verified students’ eligibility and student received a COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund Notification, which informed them if they were eligible. If students were eligible, the Notification provided the amount of the award and verified the student’s mailing address.
  - TOCC’s Financial Aid Office processed the award. Once process, TOCC’s Finance Office cut a check for the award and mailed directly to the student
TOCC received $99,640 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants for Students

- Amount Awarded - Spring 2020: $75,500, 76%
- Amount to be Awarded - Summer/Fall 2020: $24,140, 24%

Spring 2020 Student Emergency Financial Aid Applicants: 169 Total Number of Applicants

- # of Eligible Applicants: 39
- # of Ineligible Applicants: 130
Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF)  
Student Emergency Aid and Institutional Aid Funding under Section 18004(a)1.  
Quarter 2: July 1 – September 30, 2020

Tohono O’odham Community College acknowledges that it received two Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) grants from the U.S. Department of Education. The CARES Act required that the first award for $99,640 was for the sole purpose of providing Emergency Financial Aid for students. The second award for $99,639 had a requirement that at least 50% of the funding was for Emergency Financial Aid and that the remainder could be used for Institutional Aid. Institutional Aid could be used to support college operations disrupted by COVID-19. TOCC leadership determined to use the entire second award for Emergency Financial Aid. For Quarter 2 the method to determine students’ eligibility under Section 1800(a)(1) of the CARES Act remained the same as for Quarter 1:

- Students were required to submit an online application, which included a survey regarding technology issues in order to assess the needs students’ needs.
- Application/Surveys were timestamped upon submission. Staff verified students’ eligibility and student received a COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund Notification, which informed them if they were eligible. If students were eligible, the Notification provided the amount of the award and verified the student’s mailing address.
- TOCC’s Financial Aid Office processed the award. Once processed, TOCC’s Finance Office processed a check for the award and mailed it directly to the student.

As the report is cumulative the information for Quarter 1 is included as well for Quarter 2.

QUARTER 1:  
Spring 2020:  
- Awards were granted in the follow amounts for Spring 2020 semester:
  - Student taking 3-5 credits: $200
  - Student taking 6-8 credits: $400
  - Students taking 9 or more credits: $700
- 169 total applicants with 131 students receiving awards.
Total expenditures: $75,900.00

QUARTER 2:  
Summer 2020:  
- Awards were granted in the following amounts for Summer 2020 sessions:
  - Students taking 3-5 credits: $200
  - Students taking 6 credits or more: $400
- 177 total applicants with 101 students being awarded
Total expenditures: $34,200.00

Cumulative expenditures for the two grants totaled $110,100 in the first two grant quarters.
Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF)
Student Emergency Aid and Institutional Aid Funding under
Section 18004(a)1.
Quarter 3: October 1 through December 31, 2020

Tohono O’odham Community College acknowledges that it received two Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) grants from the U.S. Department of Education. The CARES Act required that the first award for $99,640 was for the sole purpose of providing Emergency Financial Aid for students. The second award for $99,639 had a requirement that at least 50% of the funding was for Emergency Financial Aid and that the remainder could be used for Institutional Aid. Institutional Aid could be used to support college operations disrupted by COVID-19. TOCC leadership determined to use the entire second award for Emergency Financial Aid.

TOCC’s method to determine students’ eligibility under Section 1800(a)(1) of the CARES Act remained the same for Quarter 3:

- Students were required to submit an online application, which included a survey regarding technology issues in order for us to assess the needs of our students
- Application/Surveys were timestamped upon submission. Staff verified students’ eligibility and student received a COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund Notification, which informed them if they were eligible. If students were eligible, the Notification provided the amount of the award and verified the student’s mailing address.
- TOCC’s Financial Aid Office processed the award. Once processed, TOCC’s Finance Office cut a check for the award and mailed directly to the student.

Analysis of the student surveys resulted in revising the determination of students’ course levels and the amounts awarded, as listed below. As the report is cumulative the amounts for Quarters 1 and 2 are included.

QUARTER 1
Spring 2020:
- Awards were granted in the follow amounts for Spring 2020 semester:
  - Student taking 3-5 credits: $200
  - Student taking 6-8 credits: $400
  - Students taking 9 or more credits: $700
- 169 total applicants with 131 students being awarded

Total expenditures: $75,900.00
**QUARTER 2**

**Summer 2020:**
- Awards were granted in the following amounts for Summer 2020 sessions:
  - Students taking 3-5 credits: $200
  - Students taking 6 credits or more: $400
- 177 total applicants with 101 students being awarded

**Total expenditures: $34,200.00**

**QUARTER 3**

**Fall 2020:**
- Awards were granted in the following amounts for Fall 2020 semester:
  - Students taking 3-6 credits: $250
  - Student taking 7 or more credits: $500
- 224 total applicants with 194 students being awarded

**Total expenditures: $82,750.00**

The cumulative total expended was **$192,850** for the first three quarters of the grant awards.

The following graph shows the amounts and percentage of the total expenditures by semester.
Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF)  
Student Emergency Aid and Institutional Aid Funding  
under Section 18004 (a)(1).  
Quarter 4: January 1 through March 31, 2021

Tohono O’odham Community College acknowledges that it received two Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) grants from the U.S. Department of Education. The CARES Act required that the first award, P425E203481, for $99,640 was for the sole purpose of providing Emergency Financial Aid for students. The second award, P425F202614, for $99,639 had a requirement that at least 50% of the funding was for Emergency Financial Aid and that the remainder could be used for Institutional Aid. Institutional Aid could be used to support college operations disrupted by COVID-19. TOCC leadership determined to use the entire second award for Emergency Financial Aid.

The CRRSAA Act provided for a second award under 84.425E for tribal colleges. On February 19, 2021 a supplemental award in the amount of $99,640 was awarded to TOCC for Emergency Financial Aid for students under 84.425E, bringing the total funding to $199,280. The total amount was expended by March 31, 2021. Therefore, this report is a final report for this award, P425E203481.

On February 20, 2021 a supplemental award under the CRRSAA Act under 84.425F in the amount of $409,238 was awarded for Emergency and Institutional Aid, bringing the total funding to $508,877 for TOCC. As of March 31, 2021 a total of $441,570 was spent for P425F202614.

TOCC’s method to determine students’ eligibility under Section 1800(a)(1) of the CARES Act remained the same for Quarter 4:

- Students were required to submit an online application, which included a survey regarding technology issues in order for us to assess the needs of our students
- Application/Surveys were timestamped upon submission. Staff verified students’ eligibility and student received a COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund Notification, which informed them if they were eligible. If students were eligible, the Notification provided the amount of the award and verified the student’s mailing address.
- TOCC’s Financial Aid Office processed the award. Once processed, TOCC’s Finance Office cut a check for the award and mailed directly to the student.
Analysis of the student surveys resulted in reviewing the determination of student’s course levels and the amounts awarded, as listed below. As the report is cumulative the amounts from Quarters 1, 2 and 3 are included.

**Quarter 1: Spring 2020**
- Awards were granted in the follow amounts for Spring 2020 semester:
  - Students taking 3-5 credits: $200
  - Students taking 6-8 credits: $400
  - Students taking 9 or more credits: $700
- 169 total applicants with 131 students being awarded emergency aid.
**Total expenditures: $75,900.00**

**Quarter 2: Summer 2020**
- Awards were granted in the following amounts for Summer 2020 sessions:
  - Students taking 3-5 credits: $200
  - Students taking 6 credits or more: $400
- 177 total applicants with 101 students being awarded emergency aid.
**Total expenditures: $34,200.00**

**Quarter 3: Fall 2020**
- Awards were granted in the following amounts for Fall 2020 semester:
  - Students taking 3-6 credits: $250
  - Students taking 7 or more credits: $500
- 224 total applicants with 194 students being awarded emergency aid.
**Total expenditures: $82,750.00**

**Quarter 4: Spring 2021**
- Awards were granted in the following amounts for Spring 2021:
  - Students taking 3-5 credits: $600
  - Students taking 6-8 credits: $1,200
  - Students taking 9 or more credits: $1,800
- Awards are still being made for the Spring 2021 Semester. The numbers here are awards that were made between January 1 and March 31, 2021.
  - 430 total applicants with 396 students being awarded emergency aid.
**Total expenditures: $448,000.**

Student surveys and analysis of students’ needs during the pandemic acknowledged the great financial needs including everything from online access for courses to childcare. The second awards enabled TOCC to more than double the awards as shown in the Quarter 4 summary.