



HEERF Student Report for January 1 – March 31, 2021

- (1) An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.**

On April 29, 2020, Georgia Piedmont Technical College signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and on May 4, 2020 the Economic Security (CARES) Act for Minority Serving Institutions under Section 18004(a)(2) of the CARES Act. The Department of Education further applies the initial signed Certification and Agreement completed for the CARES Act to the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), and American Rescue Plan (ARP) programs.

- (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 under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.**

\$2,699,452.00

- (3) The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).**

\$1,262,518.00

- (4) The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.**

1,861

The eligible count is based on enrollment for the semester.

(5) The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

1,776

This count may contain duplications as some students received multiple awards. There is award activity for other terms as well during this period; be it a cancellation or a late disbursement.

(6) The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

Georgia Piedmont Technical College initially made federal CARES Act, and Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funds available to undergraduate students that submitted a 2020-2021 FAFSA. GPTC elected to use the student's EFC as well as fulltime/part-time enrollment to determine tier-based award amounts.

The award amounts consisted of four tiers:

- *Tier 1: FT students (12+ hours) & zero EFC*
- *Tier 2: PT students (<12 hours) & zero EFC*
- *Tier 3: FT students (12+ hours) & EFC > 0*
- *Tier 4: PT students (<12 hours) & EFC > 0*

Based on this data, the award amounts are listed below. Any remaining funds would be made available for subsequent terms for eligible students or students that become eligible after the initial disbursement of funds. Students were notified of their award, via their student email, and advised to create a Bank Mobile account for the disbursement process.

Tier	Criteria	Amount
1	FT students & zero EFC	\$1,150.00
2	PT students & zero EFC	\$ 950.00
3	FT students & EFC > 0	\$ 750.00
4	PT students & EFC > 0	\$ 550.00

(7) Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

The following has been provided to Georgia Piedmont Technical College students regarding the CARES Act and CRRSAA funds.

Georgia Piedmont Technical College disseminated information that included:

- *Notice of the CARES Act and CRRSAA funds, explaining to students that they met eligibility requirements for the grant and that the funds were to be used for purposes related to the disruption of courses on campus.*
- *Notice to students who had not completed the FAFSA with instructions*
- *An electronic application to be completed and submitted to the Office of Student Financial Aid for review and processing*
- *An award notification once CARES Act and CRRSAA funds were applied*
- *Information on the disbursement of funds*

Students who feel they meet the eligibility guidelines are able to submit an application to be reviewed by the Office of Student Financial Aid. Remaining CARES Act and CRRSAA funds are available to qualifying students until the funds are depleted.