

Kalamazoo Valley Community College

Quarterly HEERF Report (October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021)

Kalamazoo Valley Community College (OPEID 006949) signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economics Security (CARES) Act on April 22, 2020. KVCC's allocation of funding received through the CARES Act is \$4,249,299. KVCC used no less than 50% of the funds (\$2,124,650) received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students. As of December 31, 2021, all CARES Student Share funding has been paid directly to students.

On December 21, 2020, the 2021 Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was signed into law. Under the CRRSAA, Kalamazoo Valley Community College (KVCC) was awarded Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) II funds, \$2,124,650 of which must be allocated and spent for Emergency Student Grants. As of December 31, 2021, all CRRSAA funding for student emergency grant has been paid directly to students.

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law. Under the ARP, KVCC was awarded HEERF III funds of which a minimum of \$8,338,989 must be used for Emergency Student Grants. As of December 31, a total of \$5,205,650 in ARP funding for emergency grants has been paid directly to students.

KVCC has been awarded a total of \$12,588,289 in HEERF funds that must go towards student emergency grants.

As of December 31, 2021, a total of \$9,454,950 of KVCC's total HEERF allocation has been used for student emergency grants.

From October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, a total of \$1,050,000 was given to students as emergency grants. A total 888 student received an emergency grant during the time period (Q4 of 2021).

From October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, a total of 6953 credit hours students and 55 non-credit hour students (7008 total) were eligible to receive emergency grants.

During this quarter, grants were determined using the following methodology:

KVCC students must complete an application for Emergency Financial Aid Grants through their MyValley Account. The application is listed as “Valley CARES” under the “My Links” section in the MyValley. For Fall 2021, the application became available the first day of the semester, September 8, 2021. KVCC began awarding, disbursing and processing refunds for Fall 2021 enrolled students who applied on this date.

Through the Valley CARES application, students identify that they have personal expenses caused by the disruption of campus services due to COVID-19. Enrolled students, who confirmed having a personal expense, were awarded \$1200. To prioritize needy student as required by ARP, students with an EFC below 7400 received an additional \$100 in emergency grant awards if they submitted the Valley Cares Application.

Through the InFocus Student Newsletter we provided to the following information to students:

[“Apply Now for Valley CARES Funding](#)

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented both the college and our students with unprecedented challenges. In consideration of this, the college created the Valley CARES Emergency Assistance Fund. The Valley CARES Emergency Assistance Fund provides limited emergency financial support to students who have experienced unexpected expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the pandemic.

The Valley CARES Emergency Assistance Fund application can be found in your MyValley account, by selecting Valley Cares Application, under "My Links." Students can receive up to \$1,000 for personal expenses for this current semester.

Please [email](#) the Financial Aid office or call 269.488.4340 with any questions.”

This message also posts on KVCC official social media accounts.