America Rescue Plan Act 2021 (ARP)
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

1. Received Funding Certification and Agreement Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed by president of Spartanburg Community College (SCC), on April 14, 2020. The certification was submitted via Grants.gov by the Director of Grants, on April 15, 2020 and was assigned the tracking number GRANT13071979. SCC received email notification from U.S. Department of Education on April 25, 2020 that a signed Grant Award Notification (GAN) for award P425E201615 was available for access via the G5 system. SCC received an email from princess.uzzelle@ed.gov on 05/11/2021 notifying the college of its supplemental award resulting from the American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP) Public Law 117-2, signed into law on March 11, 2021.

2. Under the American Rescue Act, SCC will receive a total allocation of $12,616,927. Of the total allocation $6,403,038 was designated as the minimum allocation to be awarded for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

3. Approximately half of the HEERF III student portion allotment was disbursed to student accounts starting on December 6, 2021. The total amount disbursed was $3,233,205.00. This amount was comprised of $14,611.16 in HEERF II student funds and $3,218,593.84 in HEERF III student funds. The HEERF II student funds resulted from returned or non-negotiated checks. Refunds were applied to the student accounts starting on 12/08/21 and printed checks were mailed, and direct deposits were initiated starting on December 9, 2021.

4. The total number of SCC students who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the ARP Act (HEERF III) was 4948.

5. Eligibility criteria was based on information found in the FAQ for HEERF III funds found at https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arpfaq.pdf.

6. Approximately one half of the HEERF III student allotment was disbursed to students enrolled in the 2021 fall (2021FA) semester. The amount of the award was based on the total number of credit hours the student was enrolled in for 2021FA combined with the criteria listed below.

	Student Count	Total Credits	Per Credit Hour Amt	Total Award
Pell Awarded, Zero EFC	1466	15222	75	$1,141,650.00
No Pell Award, Zero EFC	409	3659	70	$256,130.00
Pell Awarded, EFC 1 to 5846	868	9438	65	$613,470.00
No Pell Award, EFC 1 to 5846	266	2474	60	$148,440.00
No Pell Award, EFC > 10,000 FTI <=120,000	1112	11822	55	$650,210.00
No Pell Award, EFC > 10,000 FTI > 120,000	346	3941	50	$197,050.00
No EFC	469	4066	45	$182,970.00
DACA Student	33	357	75	$26,775.00

7. The emails below were sent to students in connection with their HEERF III disbursement.

   a. Email A: this email was sent to all students with a balance due. In the email was a link to an authorization form the student could complete if they wanted their HEERF III to flow through their regular student account and be applied towards their balance due. The email was sent on October 13, 2021. Sample of Balance Consent Email #1

   b. Email B: this email was the same as Email A. It went out as a reminder to the students who received Email A, but who did not submit a consent form to the college. The email also went the any students who did not have a balance at the time Email A went out, but had a balance at the time of Email B. This email was sent out on November 10, 2021. Sample of Balance Consent Email #2

   c. Email B: this email was sent to each student giving them information about their HEERF III disbursement. It was sent on December 17, 2021. Sample of Disbursement Email