



# College of San Mateo

## Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Update

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Institutional Planning Committee

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# Presentation Topics

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- CARES Act Background and Funding Allocations to SMCCCD
- Distribution of Funds
- Eligibility
- Next Steps

# US Department of Education CARES Act

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- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act includes a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)
- The CARES Act (S. 3548/ H.R. 748) is the third federal stimulus packet in response to the Coronavirus
- On April 9, the U.S. Secretary of Education announced that \$6 billion of the total \$13.95 billion Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund will be **distributed immediately to colleges and universities to provide direct emergency cash grants to college students**
- California Community Colleges received \$579,679,078

# US Department of Education CARES Act

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- Minimum 50% of formula grant funds (the “advance funds”) must be reserved for **emergency financial aid grants to students** to help cover expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child-care.
- Institutions are encouraged to **prioritize students with the greatest need.**
- Institutions shall **not use the advanced funds to reimburse itself** for any costs or expenses, including but not limited to any costs associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to the coronavirus and/or any refunds or other benefits that recipient previously issued to students.

# SMCCCD CARES Act Funding Allocations

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	<b>Total Allocation</b>	<b>Amount for Direct Student Aid (75% of Total)</b>	<b>Amount for Other Institutional Related COVID Expenses (25% of Total)</b>
<b>Canada</b>	\$ 1,098,544	\$ 823,908	\$ 274,636
<b>College of San Mateo</b>	\$ 2,042,860	\$ 1,532,145	\$ 510,715
<b>Skyline</b>	\$ 2,491,971	\$ 1,868,978	\$ 622,993
<b>Total</b>	\$ <b>5,633,375</b>	\$ <b>4,225,031</b>	\$ <b>1,408,344</b>

# SMCCCD CARES Act Distribution to Students

College	Direct Student Aid Amount	Estimated Spring 2020 (67%)	Estimated Fall 2020 (33%)
Canada	\$ 823,908	\$ 552,018	\$ 271,890
College of San Mateo	\$ 1,532,145	\$ 1,026,537	\$ 505,608
Skyline	\$ 1,868,978	\$ 1,252,215	\$ 616,763
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,225,031</b>	<b>\$ 2,830,771</b>	<b>\$ 1,394,260</b>

# CARES Act Eligibility

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Guidance released by the US Department of Education indicates that only students who are or could be eligible for Title IV or Free Application For Federal Student Aid( FAFSA) may receive emergency grants. This definition includes:

## Student Eligible for CARES Act Funding

US Citizens or Eligible Non-Citizens

Students with a Valid Social Security Number

Students Registered with Selective Service

Students with a High School Diploma or GED

Students in a Program Leading to a Degree or Certificate

# Serving Students and SMCCCD Alignment

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## Students Eligible and Prioritized for CARES Act Emergency Funds

### **Pell Grant Students**

- Low-income
- High unmet need
- Homeless
- Foster Youth
- Veterans

### **Non-Pell Grant Students**

- California College Promise Grant (CCPG) A\* and B\*\*
- Homeless
- Foster Youth
- Veterans

\* A: TANF/CAIWORKs, Supplement Security Income/State Supplement Program, General Assistance (SSI/SSP)

\*\* B: Income



# Next Steps

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- Finalize allocation per Pell and Non-Pell Full-Time and Part-Time Students
- Send communications to students
- Make Spring 2020 distribution to students