

Applications for CARES Grants in 2020 have now closed. Information regarding CARES 2021 Grants can be found at [www.bhc.edu/cares2021](http://www.bhc.edu/cares2021).

The Black Hawk College CARES Grant was made possible by the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Funding was intended to assist students with expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. All awards adhered to federal statutory and regulatory requirements.

## **CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Compliance Reporting**

### **Student Aid Portion Reporting**

- [CARES/HEERF Student Aid Reporting - March-December 2020](#)

### **Institutional Portion + Strengthening Institutions Reporting**

- [CARES/HEERF Institutional Reporting - March-September 2020](#)
- [CARES/HEERF Institutional Reporting - October-December 2020](#)

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## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **1. What is the CARES Act?**

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### **2. Who can apply for a CARES Act grant?**

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### **3. What kinds of expenses are allowable to be covered by this grant?**

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### **4. How much can I apply for?**

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- Students enrolled in fall semester between 1-5 credits were eligible for a maximum of \$500 in support.
  - Students enrolled in fall semester for 6 or more credits were eligible for a maximum of \$1,000 in support. There was a limited amount granted to the College, and we appreciated students asking for the amount needed so that we can serve as many students as possible.
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## **5. How do I apply?**

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## **6. After I apply, how do I find out if I received an emergency grant?**

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## **7. Does the money need to be repaid?**

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## **8. Would this funding reduce my financial aid?**

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## **9. What is the deadline to apply?**

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## **10. What additional resources are available if I need access to food?**

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Additionally, the [River Bend Food Bank searchable directory](#) will locate the nearest resource based on your location.

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**11. Are there other financial aid options available?**

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**12. I attended Black Hawk College in spring 2020 semester and already received a CARES Act grant at that time. Can I fill out a CARES Act grant application for fall semester as well?**

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**13. Is this grant includible in my gross income for taxes?**

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**14. Will I be able to claim a tuition and fees deduction for items that the grant proceeds were used to cover?**

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**15. Who can I contact for more information?**

If you have questions, please email [finaid@bhc.edu](mailto:finaid@bhc.edu).

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**16. Will Black Hawk College include the CARES student emergency grant funds on student's 1098-T?**

No, please refer to the [IRS FAQ](#) for further details.