

COVID-19 CARES Plan for Community College of Denver
Initial Authorization of \$2,221,589.00

Through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Sec. 18004. (Higher Education), on April 25, 2020, the Community College of Denver (CCD) received an initial authorization of \$2,221,589.00, required to be used only as direct grants to students to provide emergency relief aid for hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic as they look to continue their education.

Student Emergency Aid Distribution Process

In line with the CARES Act, CCD created an allocation model with four components: cash-in-hand grants for eligible* students enrolled in spring 2020 semester (\$207.59 per student); cash-in-hand grants for eligible students enrolled in summer 2020 semester (amount TBD); cash-in-hand grants for eligible students enrolled in fall 2020 semester (amount TBD) and additional funding through an emergency aid application process.

Total CARES Act Student Cash Funds: \$2,221,589				
	%	Amount	Disbursed	# of Students
Spring 2020 Eligible Students:	50%	\$1,110,794.50	\$892,429.89	4,299
Summer 2020 Eligible Students:	20%	\$444,317.80		0
Fall 2020 Eligible Students:	20%	\$444,317.80		0
Emergency Aid Applications:	10%	\$222,158.90	\$198,589.36	233
Total Budget:		\$2,221,589.00	\$1,091,019.25	4,299 unduplicated

CCD has already begun distributing the initial spring 2020 allocation to qualifying students in the form of cash-in-hand grants of \$207.59. The amount of the award was determined by equally dividing the amount of CARES Act spring funding by the number of students eligible to complete a FAFSA. The summer and fall portions will also be equally distributed to all eligible students in the same manner.

The spring 2020 cash-in-hand awards were delivered in two phases. Phase 1 included the students with their eligibility already confirmed by having a completed FAFSA on file. Phase 2 included all non-FAFSA applicants with eligible citizenship statuses who confirmed their FAFSA eligibility through a survey. Students not maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) are not eligible for CARES Act funding and were excluded from the survey. Phase 2 is still underway.

Payments of the fund were distributed through the normal financial aid awarding process, with adjustments made to each individual's Cost of Attendance as appropriate. Refunds were delivered through the students chosen BankMobile preference.

Emergency Aid Application Process Disbursement Plan \$222,158.90:

CCD has decided to use an emergency aid application process to disburse a \$222,158.90 allotment to all eligible students who apply for additional one-time assistance. Funding is nearly exhausted and is limited to students with less than \$6,195 in financial aid refunds.

Requested amounts are limited to the categories listed below and must have a direct nexus between the student's education and COVID19. These numbers are subject to limitation by the Financial Aid Office.

▪ Housing	\$1,250
▪ Food	\$452
▪ Tech	\$500
▪ Healthcare	\$300
▪ Childcare	\$1,246
▪ Course materials	\$1,800
▪ Other (professional judgement):	not to exceed \$1,000

Payments of the fund are being distributed through the normal financial aid awarding process, with adjustments made to each individual's Cost of Attendance as appropriate. Refunds are being delivered through the students chosen BankMobile preference.

***Not all students are eligible. INELIGIBLE Students:**

- 100% Online students (12 students)
- High School students (1,353 students)
- Inter-institutional visiting consortium students (123 students)
- Non-FAFSA Eligible Students (311 students)
- Students who withdrew from college prior to March 13th, 2020 (449 students)