

CRRSAA and ARP

1. Rochester Community and Technical College (RCTC) completed the required certification to receive funding from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and the American Rescue Plan (ARP) to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
2. RCTC has received \$6,392,139 of these funds that will be distributed to students through Emergency Financial Aid Grants.
3. As of December 31st, 2021, RCTC has distributed \$4,631,414 in emergency grant payments to eligible students through direct grants (\$4,216,750) and application-based grants (\$414,664).
4. In Spring 2021, RCTC estimated 1,842 students met the eligibility requirements to receive CRRSAA/ARP funds. In summer 2021, 564 students met the eligibility requirements and in Fall 2021, 2,131 students met the requirements.
5. 3,591 unduplicated students have received CRRSAA/ARP funding through direct or application-based grants.
6. Eligibility criteria for CRRSAA/ARP funding was determined based on guidance from the U.S. Department of Education and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of General Counsel.

In Spring 2021, Summer 2021, and Fall 2021 direct grants were distributed to students with demonstrated need according to their calculated Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) as determined by their completed 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

In Spring 2021, direct grants of \$350 were distributed to 1,842 students with EFCs below \$10,000. Of those students, 1,451 were Pell-eligible and received a supplemental award amount of \$350 for a total direct grant of \$700.

In Summer 2021, direct grants of \$350 were distributed to 564 students with EFCs below \$10,000. Of those students, 494 were Pell-eligible and received a supplemental award amount of \$350 for a total direct grant of \$700.

In Fall 2021, direct grants of \$750 were distributed to 2,131 students with EFCs below \$20,000. Of those students, 1,491 were Pell-eligible and received a supplemental award amount of \$750 for a total direct grant of \$1,500.

Students with questions about receiving direct grant funds may contact the RCTC Financial Aid office at financialaid@rctc.edu.

The application-based Student Emergency Fund grants are being prioritized to serve students with exceptional need as related to the Cost of Attendance at the College (tuition, food, housing, health care, and childcare) and range from \$500-\$1000 with an additional \$2,500 maximum allowance for past-due rent/mortgage.

7. Beginning Monday, January 17th, 2022, students may apply for CRRSAA/ARP emergency funds. The application can be found [here](#). In order to access the application you will need to login using your email address starid@go.minnstate.edu and STAR ID password.

Students with questions about applying for the Student Emergency Fund may email SEF@rctc.edu.