

RRCC CARES Act Emergency Funding Plan

RRCC has sent an email to all students who are eligible to apply for emergency funding. There are two applications: a scholarship application for either Summer or Fall 2020 semester, and an emergency fund application for an immediate financial need that has arisen **as a direct result of the disruption of campus operations** during the Spring 2020 semester.

Amounts of awards are pre-determined based on the total number of applicants and the total amount of emergency funds RRCC was given by the US Department of Education. Applicants will be reviewed for their eligibility (requirements listed below), and awards will be posted as follows:

- a. Summer scholarships will be released to eligible students by June 15th, the summer financial aid disbursement date. Fall scholarships will be released to eligible students by September 14th, the fall financial aid disbursement date.
- b. Emergency funds will be released to eligible students as soon as possible, and in two waves. The first disbursement will be on May 18th. Any remaining funds will be automatically released to eligible students after the June 1st application deadline.

Funds will be released to students through their preferred refund method as established with BankMobile. Preferred refund methods are available through the BankMobile button in The Rock student portal. Students may use the funds to pay an outstanding balance. Funds will never be applied to an outstanding balance and will be issued directly to students regardless of any amount owed to the school.

Eligibility requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Eligibility to apply for financial aid:
 - o Citizen or eligible non-citizen status
 - o Registered for Selective Service (students who were assigned male at birth)
 - o Making satisfactory academic progress
 - o In good standing with regard to previous federal aid received
 - o Degree or certificate-seeking
- Enrolled at RRCC as of March 13th, 2020
- Enrolled in at least one on-campus class (not all online classes) as of March 13th, 2020

Students will receive an email with the decision on their application. Students who do not meet the eligibility requirements for CARES Act funding will automatically be considered for any available emergency aid through the RRCC Housing and Food Insecurity Council.