Pensacola State College

Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP programs Quarterly Report January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022

- (1) Pensacola State College acknowledges that the institution has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and assures that the College has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
- (2) The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students: \$17,406,275
- (3) The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grant funds distributed to students during the Quarter (January 1, 2022 March 31, 2022): \$1,129,982.51
- (4) The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive grants (whether they received funds or not) during the Quarter (January 1 March 31, 2022):
 - a. The estimated total number is **2,998**. This is an unduplicated student headcount for funds given out during the Spring 2022 semester, January 1 March 31, 2022.
- (5) The total number of students who received Emergency Financial Aid Grant funds during the Quarter (January 1, 2022 March 31, 2022):
 - a. The total number of students is **1,196**. This is an unduplicated student headcount for funds given out during the Spring 2022 semester, January 1 March 31, 2022.
- (6) The remaining funds for Student Emergency Financial Aid Grants were disbursed at the beginning of the spring 2022 semester. Following the distribution of funds, the College launched a survey for students who received Cares funds to help determine the impact of receiving a Student Emergency Financial Aid Grant. Of the students who responded to the survey, over 96% indicated they were able to stay enrolled in classes as a direct result of receiving a Cares Act Grant. In addition, over 76% of respondents were able to either stay in housing, or obtain housing, as a direct result of receiving a Cares Act Grant, and over 82% were able to purchase food for their families as a result of receiving a grant. One student shared receiving a Student Emergency Financial Aid Grant "enabled me to continue pursuing me education and future career. It blessed my family with much needed financial assistance so as to stay focused on education." Another student shared, "the Cares Act made a huge impact on my family. It kept us afloat in really hard times. We used it to help pay bills and provide food for our household, and the tuition helped me stay in school." One final student shared the grant will have a lasting impact on their family sharing, "It has given

me the confidence and knowledge from my classes that I am able to put to use in real life and has helped me to be able to continue working towards my associates so I can better provide a good life for myself and son. It has had a domino effect on our lives. I didn't have to find a second job, I'm able to be here for my son and help him learn and grow as a person, I didn't have to choose between school and having a car or make any drastic changes to our lives. Without the grant my graduation date would have been pushed back a whole year. It has helped my family short term and in the long run."

(7) Instructions to students and all reports are maintained on a dedicated CARES web page (https://www.pensacolastate.edu/cares/). The remaining funds for Student Emergency Financial Aid Grants have been disbursed; however, the CARES Team (which was actually in place a number of years prior to the pandemic and resulting CARES Act) is available to provide students with referrals to resources. The messaging has been changed to so reflect:

PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE CARES ACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions please contact the CARES Team at <u>piratescare@pensacolastate.edu</u>.

Additional resources for students can be found in the Student Resource Guide.

All CARES Act Student Emergency Relief funds have been awarded. The application is now closed and applications are no longer being accepted.