

## CARES Act/HEERF Quarterly and Final Report January 10, 2021

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On April 9, 2020, the U.S. Department of Education announced that more than \$6 billion would be distributed to colleges and universities through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), authorized by the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Each HEERF participating institution is required to make public the following information

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widely as possible to eligible students. The commit tee did not feel an application process would be sufficient and meet the purpose of the HEER emergency funds during the Winter term. A student survey, conducted during the first week of the COVID- 19 college closure, showed that roughly 25% of GOCC students either lacked reliable access to a computer and/or to the internet. GOCC was concerned that students in most need would not know

The college followed the ED guidelines to determine student eligibility for HEERF. According to the ED, students:

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