

May 6, 2020

Dear GBC Student

Great Basin College has received emergency financial aid grant funds from the CARES Act for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). This funding is to help students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus. To qualify for this grant money, students must have experienced hardships due to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus and be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act. Additionally, students must have filed a FAFSA for the 2019-2020 academic year and have demonstrated eligibility to participate in programs under Section 484 of the HEA. These CARES Act funds are for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. Expenses include costs such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare.

We anticipate students currently enrolled between 6 and 11 credits will receive \$400 and those enrolled in 12 or more credits will receive \$550. Funds will disburse this week, but your funds may arrive early next week. This funding is only available for the spring 2020 semester. This is a one-time event until the money we received is completely used. If you fill out a FAFSA subsequent to this email, your only chance of receiving CARES funds is if there are funds still available to disburse at that time. If you feel like you meet the qualifications to receive these funds and have not received any payments two weeks following this notice, please contact the financial aid office to determine your status.

Other eligibility requirements include:

- Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credits during the spring semester during the period from March 16 to the current date and degree seeking.
- Students who are 100% online, undocumented, international students or non-degree seeking are not eligible.

Great Basin College's financial aid department will start awarding funds to eligible students based on enrollment and need, as funds are available. No application is necessary to receive this funding.

For those students **who are not eligible** for the emergency relief fund we ask that if you have not already applied for federal student aid or would like additional information on student loans, scholarships and grants to contact the Office of Financial Aid at 775-753-2399 or go to our web page at <https://www.gbcnv.edu/financial/>.

Sincerely,

Scott Nielsen  
Director of Financial Aid