



Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Emergency Financial Aid Grant to Students

Update on CARES Act Funding Eligibility

In the [Law suit of Oakley vs. DeVos](#), California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office received a preliminary injunction against the US Department of Education (DOE) regarding the distribution of CARES Act Emergency Aid to students. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) grants COVID-19 relief funds to college students, but the DOE guidance on the distribution of those funds excluded some students from receiving this much needed aid. The DOE [FAQ regarding student eligibility requirements](#) outlines how funds can be allocated, which effectively prevented certain students - undocumented, non-credit, credential only - to name a few, from receiving economic relief during the pandemic. This recent court injunction removes all student eligibility conditions. Given this, the Palo Verde College District is responsible for distributing these funds to our students is taking steps to reassess all applications it has received to date from both Round 1 of CARES Act Funding, and the second round of applications being submitted for this aid, to support those students who were previously thought to be ineligible for CARES resources.

Grant Award

	Palo Verde College CARES Act Spring 2020 Funding
Total Fund Received	\$349,156
Total Applications Received in Spring 2020	65
Total Eligible Students in Spring 2020	65
Amount Awarded in Spring 2020	\$104,500
Remaining Funds	\$244,656

	Palo Verde College CARES Act Fall 2020 Funding
Total Fund Received	\$349,156
Total Applications Received in Fall 2020	59
Total Eligible Students in Fall 2020	59
Amount Awarded in Fall 2020	\$50,200
Funds Awarded up to Date	\$154,700
Remaining Funds	\$194,456

	Palo Verde College CARES Act Spring 2021 Funding
Total Fund Received	\$349,156
Total Applications Received in Spring 2021	122
Total Eligible Students in Spring 2021	122
Amount Awarded in Spring 2021	\$96,000
Funds Awarded up to Date	\$250,700
Remaining Funds	\$98,456

CARES Act Funding - Spring 2021 Update: The PVC CARES Act began accepting application for CARES Act benefits as of January 26, 2021 for students to receive benefits for the Spring 2021 semester. We understand the importance of these funds for students, furthermore, we are working diligently to provide access and opportunity to our student community who didn't apply as early as January 26, 2021.