

Greetings SCTC Students,

The Financial Aid Office will begin awarding the CARES Funds to students enrolled in fall 2021 classes.

CARES funds will be awarded and disbursed to students enrolled in at least one hour as follows:

One-time Disbursement

Every student enrolled in at least one hour fall 2021 will receive a one-time award and disbursement. These funds will be paid to students no matter their current balance. Students are not required to apply for these funds. The College used data from the 2021-2022 FAFSA to identify **4895** currently enrolled students as eligible for the one-time disbursement totaling **\$1,825,700.00**. The student Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) determined which students were Pell eligible. These students were deemed to be most likely in need of financial assistance. The award amount will be calculated based on the number of credit hours in which students are enrolled during **Fall term 2021**:

- Pell eligible (with zero EFC) Full- time students enrolled in 12 credit hours or more will receive \$600.00 grant award
- Pell eligible (with zero EFC) part-time students enrolled in 11-1 credit hours will receive a \$400.00 grant award
- Pell eligible students (EFC 1- 5846) will receive a \$350.00 grant award
- Students with EFC 5847 and higher (Non-Pell eligible students, including those without a 2021-2022 FAFSA on file) will receive a \$300.00 grant award

The following charts illustrate the aforementioned allotments

CARES Disbursement totals by Groups list above

CARES Fall 2021

Groups	Total Students (Fall 2021)	Award Amount	Total
Zero EFC Enrolled Full-time	620	\$600	\$372,200.00
Zero EFC Enrolled 11-1 credit hours	1338	\$400	\$535,200.00
1-5846 EFC Pell eligible students	736	\$350	\$257,600.00
EFC 5847 and higher No EFC (no 2021-2022 FAFSA)	2203	\$300	\$660,900.00
Total	4895	-	\$1,825,700.00

Again, students are not required to apply for this one-time award and disbursement. The CARES funds will automatically be awarded to students beginning October 11, 2021.

CARES Emergency Applications

The COVID-19 Pandemic has impacted the College's students in a variety of ways creating financial hardships related to employment, housing, childcare, food, utilities, and medical expenses. To address these hardships, the College is providing its eligible **Fall term 2021** students excluding transient students an emergency stipend to help relieve the financial hardship caused by COVID-19.

Therefore, in addition to the one-time award as identified above, students can apply for CARES emergency application with an attestation substantiating the student has been adversely impacted by

COVID 19 will be required.

A onetime \$500.00 grant will be available to eligible students on a first come first served basis per semester. Students can only apply for emergency funds once per semester.

How to Apply for CARES Emergency Funding

To apply for CARES emergency funding, students will be required to complete a [CARES emergency application](#):

- CARES Emergency Funds will be awarded based on student's statement of need for funds to cover COVID-19 related expenses or expenses no longer covered due to COVID-19 related loss of income.
- CARES Emergency awards will be granted for a minimum of \$500.00.
- Students can only apply once per term.
- Student can choose to use Emergency CARES funds toward an outstanding balance.

When will CARES3/Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds be available?

The college will begin awarding CARES the week of OCTOBER 11, 2021, refunds will begin the first week of November 2021. Students enrolled in Fall 2021 and fall into one of the identified groups above, will receive these funds automatically!

How will I receive my CARES3 Funds?

BankMobile is the official Southern Crescent Technical College Refund Disbursement Processor. Students are expected to activate the BankMobile "refund selection" to choose how they wish to receive refund disbursements from Southern Crescent Technical College. There are multiple options provided for choosing how to receive refunds. Students can choose to have funds transferred to an existing bank account, receive a paper check or choose to receive your funds electronically by direct deposit into your BankMobile account, in which you will receive a BankMobile card for purchases. All refunds are processed through the BankMobile Disbursement Process.

To learn more about the Southern Crescent Technical College partnership with Bank Mobile, you can view our [contract here](#).

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