College Council
HEERF II - Update
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In December 2020, Congress approved an additional $900 billion economic relief package which allocates $22.7 billion to the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund.

While the funds will be allocated similarly to the CARES Act, the new relief bill uses a formula that considers headcount enrollment in addition to FTES, which benefits the California Community Colleges.

The California Community Colleges are scheduled to receive about $1.286 billion, not including additional allocations for minority serving institutions or those with the most need.

The flexible funds can be used to defray expenses associated with COVID-19, carry out authorized student support activities, and provide financial aid grants to students (including those exclusively enrolled online, and without regard for students’ immigration status).

Funds can be used to supplement lost revenue (ie. Food Services, Parking, Health Center, etc...)

Funds must be expended within 12 months the funds are available to the College (by 12/26/21).
HEERF II Allocations

Student Aid

Revenue recovery
  • Food Services, Parking, Student Fees

Projects to help student progression during distance learning and the transition back to campus
  • Chatbot, Student Information Desk (SID), Badging, On-line teaching assistants

Infrastructure and Cleaning
  • HVAC upgrades, cleaning supplies and more efficient cleaning tools, plexiglass, tracking apps, touchless faucets, hand dryers, water bottle filling stations

Technology
  • Wireless infrastructure, laptops, classroom technology, captioning

Other items
  • Vaccination Clinic, Mental health, Inmate Scholars