

Auburn Career Center Adult Workforce Education was awarded funds from the United States Department of Education and the Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos, for the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to help students during this unprecedented time.

Auburn Career Center Adult Workforce Education is set to be allocated \$124,034 from the CARES ACT.

50% of the funds or \$62,017 has been received and was given directly to all eligible students to cover daily living expenses as the CARES Act stipulates. This money was distributed equally to all eligible (all Title IV) students to help “cover expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student’s cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and child care)”.

85 students were eligible and 85 students received an equal portion of these funds.

The remaining \$62,017, known as the Institutional Portion of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund under section 18004 (a)(1) and 18004 (c) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, once received, has been utilized so far as outlined in the CARES Act:

- Continued student relief (\$30,999.79)
 - Given equally to all remaining students who were not eligible for the first portion, \$30,499.79
 - 63 additional students received relief
 - Continued relief to one student with further housing issues
 - 64 total students

Auburn Career Center has signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

Students who will receive grant money with the first \$62,017 received a text message, an email and a letter in the mail explaining the funds. Additional students who receive monies from the Institutional portion of the grant will be alerted in the same manner.

Questions related to the use of these funds can be directed to the Director of Adult Workforce Education, Michelle Rodewald, or the Treasurer, Sherry Williamson.

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