



CARES Act and NWRI

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
& Nebraska Workforce Retraining Initiative Scholarship
at Central Community College

CARES Act Background-

- ▶ Signed into law on March 27, 2020
- ▶ Three surveys were sent to all students registered for credit-bearing courses
 - ▶ April 20, 2020 (Spring term) - 1,304 Responses
 - ▶ June 01, 2020 (Summer term) - 557 Responses
 - ▶ August 24, 2020 (Fall term) - 696 Responses
- ▶ Students who received funds, were ineligible to receive them again but could receive up to \$1,000 total across multiple terms

CARES Act Background-

- ▶ Each application was assessed by a team of CCC employees.
- ▶ Students were asked questions such as:
 - ▶ I have lost my job or had work hours/wages reduced due to COVID related issues
 - ▶ I am unable to pay for basic needs such as rent, utilities, groceries, etc. due to COVID related issues
 - ▶ I have had to spend additional costs due to childcare coverage issues
 - ▶ I have had to spend additional funds on course materials to replicate course assignments at home vs. on campus

Total CARES Act Funds Distributed to Students-

- ▶ \$1,201,900 Total Awarded to 1,263 Students
 - \$717,500.00 in 20/SP
 - \$151,250.00 in 20/SU
 - \$333,150.00 in 21/FA

NWRI Background-

- ▶ Administered by NE Dept. of Economic Development in partnership with NE Dept. of Labor
- ▶ Initiative funded by 16 million from the Stat's \$1.08 billion federal Coronavirus Relief Fund allocation
- ▶ One survey was launched so that anyone in the community could apply, we received a total of 604 applications
- ▶ Students were eligible to receive a total of \$1,100

NWRI Background-

- ▶ Students were eligible to receive a total of \$1,100
- ▶ Each applicant was contacted by a team of CCC employees and assessed for eligibility. They also helped them navigate entering into higher ed and will continue to help them with job placement
- ▶ Most of the applicant questions related to their eligibility based on the State's standards
 - ▶ Have they been furloughed or laid off
 - ▶ Not employed as job/business eliminated
 - ▶ Working reduced hours
 - ▶ Asked them to select from a list of training/programs that met the qualifications of NWRI

Total NWRI Funds Distributed to Students-

- ▶ Tuition- \$141,260.00
 - \$99,635 in 20/FA
 - \$41,625 in 21/SP
- ▶ Books- \$10,177.48 in 20/FA (Spring is still being entered)
- ▶ Current NWRI total- \$151,437.48 awarded to 169 students
- ▶ Other costs - \$337,613.73
 - \$201,936.53 Administration fees
 - \$135,677.20 Equipment fees

Thank You!

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