

## **Student Grant Awarding Policy (HEERF-II FUNDING) – Summer 2021**

Independence Community College and its students continue to face unprecedented and challenging obstacles during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) National Emergency. The funding issued to ICC under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding affords ICC the opportunity to financially alleviate some of the obstacles our students face.

### **Eligibility**

The following students are eligible to receive a HEERF-II Student Grant during the summer 2021 term:

- I. Students must be enrolled in summer 2021 term;
- II. To determine financial need, ICC utilizes the 2020-21 FAFSA. Eligible students are encouraged to complete the FAFSA to qualify for maximum grant aid. Students can complete the FAFSA online at [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov).
- III. International and DACA students are eligible per U.S. Department of Education guidance issued May 11, 2021. In furtherance of the goal to award direct grant aid to students demonstrating exceptional need, international students will be required to apply for consideration of aid in which they must demonstrate their individual exceptional need for Emergency Relief Funds.

### **Awarding Procedure**

Students meeting the above eligibility criteria are evaluated for an Emergency Grant in the following manner:

- I. No grant aid awarded shall exceed the total direct cost of tuition, fees, and course-related supplies less any other grant and scholarship aid.
- II. Priority will be given to students with exceptional need as determined by their EFC on the 2020-21 or 2021-22 FAFSA.