Dear BTC Student,

Under the recently-passed Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), Blackhawk Technical College has received an allotment from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II) to provide emergency grants to eligible students.

**YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ATTESTATION LINKED AT THE END OF THIS EMAIL TO APPLY FOR A HEERF II EMERGENCY GRANT**

Students who have chosen not to complete a FAFSA for the 2020-2021 award year may apply for a HEERF II emergency grant by completing an attestation of eligibility. As a student for whom BTC has not received a 2020-2021 FAFSA, you are being provided an opportunity to complete the attestation linked below in order to apply for an emergency grant.

In order to be eligible for a HEERF II emergency grant, students must meet the following criteria:

- Must be enrolled in and attending a post-secondary credential program of study that is eligible for federal student aid under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965,
- Must have a high school diploma or equivalent,
- Must be a U.S. Citizen, or an Eligible Non-Citizen (including U.S permanent residents with a Permanent Resident Card, and certain other non-citizens*).

HEERF II emergency grants may be used for:

- Any component of the student's cost of attendance (COA) at BTC.
- Emergency costs that arise due to the Coronavirus, such as, but not limited to, tuition, food, housing, health care, mental health care, or child care.

If you meet the eligibility requirements, and have eligible expenses as described above, please complete the attestation linked below. If, after submitting the attestation, you choose to complete your 2020-2021 FAFSA, you must send an email to HEERF@blackhawk.edu if you would like your HEERF II eligibility to be re-evaluated based on your FAFSA results.

**In order to apply for a HEERF II emergency grant, you must complete the attestation linked below by March 31.** Attestations will be reviewed, and eligibility determinations will be made, on a weekly basis.

# HEERF II ELIGIBILITY ATTESTATION FOR NON-FAFSA FILERS

**No further information will be available until Friday, March 5.** If you have questions, you may email [HEERF@blackhawk.edu](mailto:HEERF@blackhawk.edu) at that time. Individuals inquiring via any means other than [HEERF@blackhawk.edu](mailto:HEERF@blackhawk.edu) will be referred to that email address.

Sincerely,

BTC HEERF TEAM
[HEERF@blackhawk.edu](mailto:HEERF@blackhawk.edu)

*Generally, you are an eligible noncitizen if you are (1) a permanent U.S. resident with a Permanent Resident Card (I-551); (2) a conditional permanent resident with a Conditional Green Card (I-551C); (3) the holder of an Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) from the Department of Homeland Security showing any one of the following designations: "Refugee," "Asylum Granted," "Parolee" (I-94 confirms that you were paroled for a minimum of one year and status has not expired), T-Visa holder (T-1, T-2, T-3, etc.) or "Cuban-Haitian Entrant;" or (4) the holder of a valid certification or eligibility letter from the Department of Health and Human Services showing a designation of "Victim of human trafficking."