ELMIRA COLLEGE
OFFICE OF CAMPUS LIFE

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Dear Students,

Elmira College is once again able to provide financial help to students affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. During the Fall Term, the College expended approximately half of the allocated American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act's Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF). We are now accepting applications once again to distribute the remaining emergency funding to qualified students.
The ARP requires that **institutions must prioritize students with exceptional financial need**, such as students who receive PELL grants or students who have faced **significant unexpected expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic**. If you have already received the maximum award amount from this funding source during Term I, you will not be approved for further funding.

Unlike previous HEERF funding, the ARP emergency aid is available to domestic students as well as international students, students enrolled in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, and undocumented students with exceptional financial need. Students may apply for ARP funding by completing the attached application and submitting it to caresactaid@elmira.edu. All financial grants will be based on a student's need as determined by their FAFSA and Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and/or by any special circumstances detailed in their submitted application.

ARP emergency grants can be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health), or child care. Students have the option to apply their grant directly to their EC student account if they have an outstanding balance; however, this request must be made in writing or specified by checking the appropriate box on the application.

Once this limited funding is expended, applications will no longer be accepted or approved. This information is also posted to MyEC under "Coronavirus Resources."