

## Colorado School of Healing $\Delta$ rts

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On March 27, 2020 the President signed the CARES Act. In addition to providing assistance to millions of Americans that were now unemployed and keeping small business owners solvent, the CARES Act also provided the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF).

The CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid provides funding to institutions to provide emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted, many of whom are facing financial challenges and struggling to make ends meet. Students cannot apply for assistance directly from the U.S. Department of Education but should contact their institutions for further information and guidance. Institutions have the responsibility of determining how grants will be distributed to students, how the amount of each student grant is calculated, and the development of any instructions or directions that are provided to students about the grant.

The Colorado School of Healing Arts has received these grant funds in the amount of \$36,312.00. These funds are to be disbursed to the students with the following qualifications:

- 1. The student was enrolled in the Colorado School of Healing Arts as an active student in the Massage Therapy Program on or after March 27, 2020.
- 2. Was eligible to receive federal student aid by completing a FAFSA for either the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 award years.

The funds will be disbursed to the student via check from the institution. 42 Students will be receiving \$864.57. The institution may not retain that portion of the HEERF grants to satisfy a student's outstanding account balance. The Department of Education notes that the student may use his or her emergency financial aid grant for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus.

If there are any questions about these funds or when the funds will be disbursed please contact Chris Smith or Jeff Penton on campus at (303) 986-2320.