**CARES Act Funding**

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Trump on March 27th, 2020.   The CARES Act includes emergency grant funding to assist qualifying students with expenses related to disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19 and for institutions to use funds to cover any costs associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction.

Great Basin College provided the U.S. Department of Education with a Certification and Agreement and was awarded a total of $235,029 in CARES Act Institutional funds. This funding allows GBC to expand our remote programs, build our IT capacity and train faculty and staff to operate effectively in a remote learning environment, and to help offset the disruption of operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As of December 12, 2020, GBC has expended $235,029 of these funds on staffing and other needs.

In addition, Great Basin College was awarded $23,397 from the CARES Act – Strengthening Institutions Program allocation. On November 13, 2020, Great Basin College was awarded an additional $276. The total allocation is $23,673. This funding may be utilized to defray institutional expenses, which may include lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with the transition to distance education, faculty and staff training, and payroll. As of December 12, 2020, Great Basin College has expended $23,673 on personnel expenditures.

Great Basin College was awarded $6,268 under Section 18004(a)(3), FIPSE on September 14, 2020. The FIPSE funding may be utilized to defray institutional expenses, which may include lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with the transition to distance education, faculty and staff training, and payroll. Great Basin College will spend this allocation by December 31, 2020 on operating expenses, that due to lost revenue from state budget reductions, would reduce the level of services to students if this funding was not available. As of December 12, 2020, GBC has spent $6,268 of the FIPSE allocation.