

#REALCOLLEGE BASIC NEEDS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Caring Financial Aid Resources

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The Hope Center's most recent brief on [Maximizing the Impact of HEERF for Students](#) provides support and guidance around how to deliver these funds in ways that address basic needs insecurity and reach marginalized, minoritized, and low-income students.

The Hope Center's [Real Price of College Policy Memo](#) outlines how institutions and policymakers can calculate and use negative EFC information to support students that have the greatest financial need. The final report and accompanying toolkit from this project will be made available later this year.

Swift Student provides an [excellent tool](#) to help students submit clear and succinct appeals to your financial aid office. For an overview, see this [related webinar](#) hosted by the Hope Center.

The Education Trust's [Memo on Professional Judgement in Financial Aid](#) provides information on how professional judgement practices can be adjusted to ensure students are treated equitably and fairly when they submit financial aid appeals.

[University of Maryland, Baltimore County Finish Line Program](#) is a great example of a re-enrollment program.