

CARES ACT REPORTING ON EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS TO STUDENTS

On March 27, 2020, the Federal government enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Pub L. No. 116-136, providing funds to institutions from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to make Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus, including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, course materials, technology, health care, and child care. The law requires institutions to report certain information related to the use of these funds. The following information is reported for the period June 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

- I. This statement shall serve to acknowledge that our institution signed and returned to the US Department of Education the *Certification and Agreement - Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students*. We further attest that our institution has used, and/or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- II. The total amount of funds that the institution has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Student is \$ 139,876.00.
- III. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of June 30, 2020, is \$ 51,800.00.
- IV. The estimated total number of students at our institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 108.
- V. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to date is 14.
- VI. The following is the method used by our institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much each student have received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
All students who have been affected by COVID19 and are in need of this emergency grant, are required to submit an electronic application and supporting documentation at https://lacm.formstack.com/forms/student_covid19_financial_hardship_grant. The grant is distributed to students who submit their request for assistance for housing, food, health care, childcare expenses, or other expenses that are normally included in the student's cost of attendance as a result of the pandemic. The student applying for this grant must have submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the current academic year. The institution will continue to distribute these emergency funds as students submit their request. Additionally, students have received \$500 - \$6000 in Emergency Financial Aid Grant and confirmed expenses as mentioned above resulting from the pandemic.

VII. Instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants are as follows: Students are instructed to submit their electronic application and supporting documentation at https://lacm.formstack.com/forms/student_covid19_financial_hardship_grant. Students may receive emergency relief assistance for food, housing, health care, childcare expenses, or other expenses typically included in a student's cost of attendance (COA), as a result of the pandemic.