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CRRSAA: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II)

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The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on December 27, 2020. This new law gives the U.S. Department of Education (Department) approximately \$22.7 billion to distribute to institutions of higher education in order to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus through the HEERF II. The CRRSAA requires that an institution receiving funding under section 314(a)(1) provide the “same amount” in financial aid grants to students from the new CRRSAA funds that it was required or which it would have been required to provide under its original CARES Act Student Aid Portion award.

What is the HEERF II (CRRSAA) Emergency Grant?

Institutions must make financial aid grants to students, which 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 care), or child care. Unlike the CARES Act, the HEERF II (CRRSAA) requires that institutions prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who are eligible for Pell grants.

Marian College, Marian Health Careers Center will distribute \$319,808 in emergency grants to eligible students experiencing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These are one-time grants from the federal government and do not require any repayment. The HEERF II (CRRSAA) emergency grant provides temporary, short-term, emergency financial assistance to eligible students who are experiencing an unforeseen hardship that could adversely affect their educational success. The main criteria for a grant are the demonstration of a genuine need and that the capacity for continued study may be in jeopardy due to financial hardship.

Priority will be given to students with exceptional need, determined by the 2020-2021 official Expected Family Contribution (EFC).

When will CRRSAA/Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds II be available?

Marian College, Marian Health Careers Center received our allocation of HEERF II funds from the U.S. Department of Education on March 31, 2021. We will begin requesting for those funds after April 15, 2021 to allow all eligible students to file a 2020-2021FAFSA.

Who is eligible for the CRRSAA /Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds II?

Marian College, Marian Health Careers Center students, **enrolled as of April 1, 2021, who have filed a 2020-2021 FAFSA and meet the citizenship criteria to receive federal student aid**, may be considered for emergency grants funded through HEERF II (CRRSAA). Even if a student has a current financial hold or owes the campus fees or fines, they are still eligible to receive a grant – and the funds will go directly to them. Any debts or fees owed to the school will not be deducted from the emergency grant.

At this time, the U.S. Department of Education reiterates its stance that DACA, undocumented and international students are not eligible for the HEERF II (CRRSAA) Federal emergency grant aid.

Minimum eligibility criteria for students:

Filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2020-21

Are currently enrolled (in-school or LOA) as of April 1, 2021

Are U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizen

Have met the Selective Service registration requirement

If you received an emergency grant and later withdraw from Marian College, Marian Health Careers Center, you are not required to pay it back.

How much CRRSAA/Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds II will each student receive?

All HEERF II Funds were fully expended and distributed to all eligible students enrolled (in-school and on LOA) as of April 1, 2021 according to the following schedule:

Title IV Eligibility	EFC	# of Recipients	Grant Amount Per Student
Pell Eligible	zero	76	\$2,600
Pell Eligible	\$1 to \$3,000	18	\$2,100
Pell Eligible	\$3,0001 to \$5,700	16	\$1,600
Not Eligible for Pell	n/a	57	\$1,031.71

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