University of Louisville - Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Reporting - Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

HEERF II Reporting

- The University of Louisville signed and returned the 'Recipient's Funding Certification and Agreement' for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act on April 10th, 2020. An additional Certification and Agreement was not required for HEERF II. The university committed to provide no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 314(a)(1) to Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- 2. The Minimum Amount for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students for the University of Louisville is \$6,239,395.
- 3. As of April 1st, 2021, \$6,328,587.50 has been distributed to students.
- 4. The University of Louisville estimates 18,114 students are eligible to receive Financial Aid Grants to Students under Section 314(a)(1) and over 12,000 have been confirmed as eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in the Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965.
- 5. As of April 1st, 2021, 10,844 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSA Act.
- 6. The University of Louisville's methodology for distributing funds:

In late December of 2020, the University of Louisville established the following criteria for <u>Undergraduate Students</u>: Completed FAFSA with verified EFC and Enrolled in the Spring 2021 semester. Students were automatically evaluated and awarded 'block' grants based on the following table:

EFC	Base Award Amount
Pell Eligible Students (EFC Does Not Apply)	\$1,000
\$0 - \$11,999	\$650
\$12,000 - \$13,999	\$500
\$14,000 - \$20,000	\$250
\$20,000 +	\$200

The base award amount was prorated based on enrollment hours. Students enrolled in 12 or more credit hours received 100% of the base award amount, in 6-11 credit hours received 75% of the base award amount, and less than 6 credit hours received 50% of the base award amount.

In early January of 2021, the University of Louisville *invited* **Graduate and Professional Students** to apply for funds. The communication/invitation for applications is below in Item #7. All

graduate and professional students were awarded \$200 based on the demand and the funds available.

7. Undergraduate Students were automatically evaluated and sent the following communication:

Dear FName,

The federal government has made limited funding available through the second Covid-relief/stimulus appropriation finalized in December. We have evaluated your eligibility and have awarded you potential funds accordingly. You will see the funds as 'anticipated aid' now, and the Student Financial Aid Office will begin evaluating your eligibility for the disbursement of the funds to your student account the week of January 18th. Your award is subject to adjustment and/or cancellation based on a final review of your eligibility and your enrollment as of January 15, 2020.

The Student Financial Aid Office is here to assist you. Contact us at finaid@louisville.edu or (502) 852-5511 if you have you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Student Financial Aid Office University of Louisville

Website: louisville.edu/financialaid

Email: finaid@louisville.edu Call Center: (502) 852-5511

Prospective Graduate and Professional Students were sent the following communication:

Dear FName,

Based on the latest federal stimulus legislation, we are able to make funds available through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). As a graduate or professional student that has been reviewed for federal aid this year, you are eligible to apply for funds if you've incurred expenses associated with the pandemic.

Depending on the applications received, we anticipate awards will range in amount from \$200 - \$650.

You are receiving this invitation to apply based on the information we have available in our student information system. This application will be tied directly to your UofL Student ID number. For this reason do NOT forward this email or application link.

If you are in need of financial support, click on the link below and complete the application by Friday, January 15, 2021.

https://louisville.edu/financialaid/federal heerf grant application

Please do not delay submitting this application as we anticipate funds will be exhausted quickly through this process.

After you submit the application, you will receive a confirmation email and our office will review your account and post eligible funds in approximately 7-10 business days.

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