USF Federal Stimulus



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Federal Stimulus Task Force

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Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Grant Program

- Provides financial aid to students and higher education institutions with help for new expenses and revenue losses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Created in March 2020 by Congress as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; \$14 billion
- Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) passed in Dec 2020; \$21 billion
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) passed in Mar 2021; \$40 billion

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act - First Round of Federal Stimulus (HEERF I)

- •Passed by Congress on March 27, 2020
- •Received a total of \$7,293,888
 - o No less than 50% must be used for direct emergency aid to students
 - o Institutional Share \$3,646,944 Amount available for revenue replacement and/or COVID-19-related costs
 - o Student Share \$3,646,944 pass-through to students.

CARES Act Institutional Share

- Up to 50% of the full grant award
- Funds can only be spent on foregone revenue due to campus closures and costs associated with the change to online instruction.(forgone revenue: refunds to students for housing, food, or other services that could no longer be provided as a result of closure).
- Cannot be used for endowments, athletic or religious facilities, enrollment recruitment activities, senior administrators nor executive salaries, benefits, incentives.
- Costs incurred on or after March 13, 2020
- Used funds to offset student housing refunds (\$~5M)
- Funds drawn 5/28/20

CARES Act Student Share

- •Total student portion: \$3,646,944
- •Requirement to prioritize need: Not required by law, but ED guidance encouraged institutions to prioritize students with the greatest need
- •Student portion allowable uses:
 - o Funds must go directly to students in the form of emergency financial aid grants for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus
 - o Can be used for eligible COA expenses such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare
- •\$3,646,944 has been awarded to 3,309 students
- •The grant amount each student received is based on Expected Family Contribution ("EFC") as currently reflected on the 2019-2020 aid application.

CARES Act Student Share

Undergraduate

EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION ("EFC")	GRANT AMOUNT
\$0 - \$4,999	\$1,500
\$5,000 - \$9,999	\$1,000
\$10,000 - \$15,000	\$500

Graduate

EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION ("EFC")	GRANT AMOUNT
\$0	\$500

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSAA) Act - Second Round of Federal Stimulus (HEERF II)

- •Passed by Congress on December 27, 2020
- •Received a total of \$10,701,243
 - o Institutional Share \$7,054,299 defray expenses associated with coronavirus (less stringent spending guidelines)
 - o Student Share \$3,646,944 pass-through to students

CRRSAA Act Institutional Share

- Funds could be used for lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with transition to online learning, faculty/staff training, and payroll.
- Can be applied towards eligible costs back to March 13, 2020.
- Cannot be used for endowments, athletic or religious facilities, enrollment recruitment activities, senior administrators nor executive salaries, benefits, incentives.
- Used for lost Fall 2020 housing revenue
- Full award drawn 4/13/21
- Funds applied towards University general operations.

CRRSAA Act Institutional Share

CARES HEERF II Lost Revenue Support

Fall Housing Revenue

Academic Period	Housing Revenue
Fall 2017	11,990,968.07
Fall 2018	12,251,980.67
Fall 2019	12,353,516.61
Three Year Average	12,198,821.78
Fall 2020	1,114,536.23
Fall 2020 Lost Revenue	11,084,285.55

CRRSAA Act Student Share

- Total student portion: \$3,646,944
- Requirement to prioritize need: Yes
- Student portion allowable uses:
 - o Any component of student's cost of attendance
 - o Emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as: tuition; food; housing; health care (including mental); childcare
- \$3,646,944 awarded to 3,330 students
- The grant amount each student received is based on current enrollment status and on Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as currently reflected on the 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

CRRSAA Act Student Share

UNDERGRADUATE

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTEDFAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
12+	\$0	\$1,500
7 to 11	\$0	\$1,000
6 or less	\$0	\$500

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
12+	\$1 - \$5500	\$1,000
7 to 11	\$1 - \$5500	\$750
6 or less	\$1 - \$5500	\$500

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
12+	\$5,501 - \$10,000	\$750
7 to 11	\$5,501 - \$10,000	\$500
6 or less	\$5,501 - \$10,000	\$500

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
12+	\$10,001 - \$15,000	\$500
7 to 11	\$10,001 - \$15,000	\$500
6 or less	\$10,001 - \$15,000	\$500

GRADUATE

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTEDFAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
6+	\$0	\$1,500
5 or less	\$0	\$1,000

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTEDFAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
6+	\$1 - \$5,500	\$1,000
5 or less	\$1 - \$5,500	\$500

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTEDFAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
6+	\$5,501 - \$10,000	\$750
5 or less	\$5,501 - \$10,000	\$500

ENROLLMENT	EXPECTEDFAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)	GRANT AMOUNT
6+	\$10,001 - \$15,000	\$500
5 or less	\$10,001 - \$15,000	\$500

American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Act - Third Round of Federal Stimulus (HEERF III)

- Passed by Congress on March 10, 2021
- •Estimated total of \$18,909,000 (est. from the American Council on Education)
 - o No less than 50% must be used for direct emergency aid to students
 - o Estimated Institutional Share \$9,454,500 defray expenses associated with coronavirus (less stringent spending guidelines)
 - o Estimated Student Share \$9,454,500 pass-through to students.
- •Estimate based on full-time equivalent(FTE) and student headcount enrollment.

Reporting & Audit Requirements

- •Quarterly reporting due no later than 10 days after the calendar quarter (January 10, April 10, July 10, October 10).
 - oStudent Share First report was due 30 days after the Department originally obligated funds to University
 - oInstitutional Share Quarterly Reporting Form; First report was due by October 30, 2020 covering period through September 30, 2020.
- •https://myusf.usfca.edu/provost/cares-act-heerf
- •Annual performance report (all expenditures incurred in prior calendar year) due by February 1st each year.
- •Single Audit

 •Clean FY2020 Audit Opinion

Is Future Stimulus a Realistic Possibility?

- Federal infrastructure bill. USF not likely to be a significant beneficiary.
- Application of FY22 stimulus has had effect of narrowing FY22 one-time budget gap while leaving a FY22 (and, therefore, FY23 and beyond) base budget gap unresolved.

Questions?