

Henderson State University CARES Act Report

Second Round of Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)

\$299,260.00

Amount distributed as of December 9, 2020:

\$299,260

Estimated number of Eligible students:

2,534 in Title IV programs for Spring 2020

Number of students who have received second round of HEERF grants as of December 9, 2020:

1,352

1. The population of students that were qualified in the Spring will be matched with those who are enrolled for the Fall 2020 semester. The following criteria will then be met:
 - a. Only students enrolled in the spring semester with in-person classes that were interrupted are eligible for CARES funding. New incoming students are not under CARES Act stipulations.
 - b. Only students with current enrollment are eligible. If a student is withdrawn or graduated, The US Department of Education has not given clear guidance on whether or not they would still be eligible for a second disbursement.
 - c. The Title IV eligibility of the students will have been met and cleared eliminating any further screening.
 - d. We have documentation that these students had expenses related to the disruption of the in-person classes last spring which is part of the CARES Act requirements.
2. Students who are not meeting satisfactory academic progress (SAP) after the spring semester even if they already received the first round of CARES funding will not be eligible for this second disbursement. Failure to meet SAP results in the loss of Title IV eligibility. In addition, those who have been awarded up to or over the cost of their attendance in the spring due to the CARES Act will not be receiving a second disbursement.
3. This time the award will be based on need with 2 levels:
 - a. Level one – with an award of \$248 will be those who are Pell and just above Pell eligible. These are the neediest students as well as those who have the greatest remaining need after financial aid is awarded.
 - b. Level two – with an award of \$114 will be for those who are at least double above the Pell eligibility threshold.

Students received an email of the awards process on August 26, 2020 if they qualified to receive the second round.

Financial Aid Office

CARES FINANCIAL AID AWARD NOTIFICATION AY 2019-20

Dear Student,

As a recipient of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds from the CARES Act earlier this year, you are eligible for a portion of the remainder of the funding HSU received. Congratulations on receiving this funding. The award amount is different this time and is based on the remaining funds left as well as your financial need from the 2020 spring semester.

Not all students who received funding in the spring will receive it now. Some have lost eligibility due to the many changing rules of the Act as well as interpretations and directives given since the initial funding from the US Department of Education. You are one of those who still meet criteria for this award. It will be sent to you in the same manner you received your award in May or June (either via check or direct deposit).

While we had hoped to spend the full amount last spring, there was a surplus of more than anticipated and we are happy that this extra little help is available for you currently. Your award amount is:

Award Type	Payment Period	Total
	SPRING 2020	
CARES Act	\$248.00	\$248.00
Total for Payment Period	\$248.00	\$248.00

This will be the final amount. No other CARES Act awards are forthcoming unless Congress passes another stimulus bill.

Please contact financialaid@hsu.edu with any questions.

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