



PROJECT:

Central Michigan University Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Student Funding Initiative

REPORT: 45-Day Report (2nd Report)

REPORT DATE: July 6, 2020

1. Acknowledgement: Central Michigan University acknowledges that it signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement on April 22, 2020 and assures it has used, 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.

Signed: _____

Title: Kirk M. Yats, Director – Scholarships & Financial Aid

2. Total of funds received by CMU for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students	\$7,161,097
3. Total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to Students as of date of report	\$5,718,700
4. Estimated total number of students eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students	10,650*
5. Total number of Students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to Students	9,007

*Additional students eligible due to new 19-20 FAFSA filings since CARES Act grants were first made available.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act

Initial award – a need-based student grant of \$500 was awarded based on the following eligibility criteria:

- Undergraduate students admitted to Mt. Pleasant campus
- Eligible for Title IV funds demonstrated through the filing of a 2019-20 FAFSA
- Enrolled in courses after 3/13/2020
- Demonstrated need defined as Expected Family Contribution is less than annual academic budget

Additional award – grants between \$200-\$1000 were awarded based on the following eligibility criteria:

- Eligible for Title IV Funds demonstrated through the filing of a 2019-2020 FAFSA

- Enrolled in courses after 3/13/20
- Completion of an application on which information about expenses incurred as a result of COVID-19 were recorded.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

See attached email communications to students or visit the CARES Act information website below:

https://www.cmich.edu/fas/fsr/student_acct_university_billing/Pages/CARES_Act.aspx

From: RECACCT <recacct@cmich.edu>

Reply-To: CMU Receivable Accounting <billing@cmich.edu>

Date: Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 3:01 PM

To:

Subject: CMU CARES Student Assistance Fund

Send ID: HAW-200528E



You are eligible to apply for assistance

The federal government recently made funds available to colleges and universities, through the CARES Act, to address financial hardships resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Central Michigan University received funding from the CARES Act's Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund and is following the U.S. Department of Education guidelines for how these funds may be used. To date, CMU has provided grants for over 7,000 undergraduate students to assist with expenses during the interrupted school year.

CMU also has set aside a portion of the funds for the **CMU CARES Student Assistance Fund**. These funds can help students with expenses incurred when campus operations were disrupted due to coronavirus, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and childcare.

Eligible students may apply to the CMU CARES Student Assistance Fund beginning **May 18**, and grants will be awarded based on individual need.

- On-campus undergraduate and graduate students who completed a FAFSA and are Title IV eligible may apply.
- Awards will be distributed weekly beginning **May 27**.
- **Please note:** Any funds awarded will be supplied to you using the [refund preferences](#) you selected with Student Account Services and University Billing. Department of Education guidelines stipulate that universities may not directly apply these funds to any existing student account balance.

You are receiving this email because you are qualified to apply; however, qualification to apply does not assure that funds will be awarded. Funding is limited, and students will be considered on the basis of the application, need and time of submission. You will receive notification via e-mail whether or not you were awarded funds.

- **You will be notified within 7-10 business days** following submission of your application.
- Please do not contact our office for your status related to this award until at least 10 business days have passed.

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