

PROJECT: Central Michigan University - Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II Student Aid Portion

REPORT: Quarterly (Q1 January – March 2021) **REPORT DATE:** 07/08/2021

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 the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA (a)(1) program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

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	\$3,649,000
4. Estimated total number of students eligible to receive	
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students	14,570
5. Total number of Students who have received an Emergency	
Financial Aid Grant to Students	6,857

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

Initial award – a need-based student grant of \$600 was awarded to Pell eligible students and \$500 was awarded to non-Pell eligible students based on the following criteria:

- U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen
- Enrolled at least half-time as of March 9, 2021, which is defined as:
 - Undergraduate students with at least 6 credit hours of enrollment
 - o Graduate students with at least 5 credit hours of enrollment
- Submission of an acknowledgement form

Additional Award - An additional \$125 was awarded to Pell eligible students and \$100 was awarded to non-Pell eligible students that fit the above criteria.

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 HEERF information website below: HEERF Student Funding | Central Michigan University (cmich.edu)

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Recently, the federal government made additional funds available to colleges and universities to address financial hardships resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Central Michigan University will receive approximately \$7 million from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund, also known as CARES Act II, to assist students during these challenging times.

Support will be provided to CMU students who meet the following criteria:

- U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.
- Enrolled at least half-time as of March 9, 2021, which is defined as:
 - o Undergraduate students with at least 6 credit hours of enrollment.
 - o Graduate students with at least 5 credit hours of enrollment.
- Submit the acknowledgement form by Thursday, April 15.

Starting Friday, March 19, qualifying students can complete the acknowledgement form. Funds will be distributed within approximately 14 business days of completion.

Students have the option of applying the funds directly to their account balance. The remaining funds, if any, will process as a refund. If a student does not have an account balance, the funds will automatically process as a refund. Direct deposit refunds can be <u>set up</u> through BankMobile.

CARES Act II is a one-time award. Students who are Pell Grant eligible will receive approximately \$600, while all other students will receive approximately

\$500.

For more information, please visit the **CARES Act II web page**. If you have additional questions about the funding, please email **<u>cmucaresact@cmich.edu</u>**.

We know many of you have been negatively affected by COVID-19, and are proud of your perseverance and dedication to continuing your education.

Be well,

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