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U.S. Department of Education Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Third Quarter Report Ending September 30, 2021 Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

As referenced in the Federal Register notice of May 13, 2021, Section 314(d)(5) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) requires Institutions receiving funding under section 314(a)(1) to provide the same amount in financial aid grants to students from the new CRRSAA funds that it was required or which it would have been required to provide under its original Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Student Aid Portion award. With some modifications, the American Relief Plan (ARP), continues the CRRSAA programs. As further stated in the Federal Register notice, under both CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs, the student portion must be used to provide financial aid grants to students (including students exclusively enrolled in distance education) which may be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care. Reporting for the seven enumerated criteria provided on September 30, 2021 by the Office of Postsecondary Education and referenced in the May 13, 2021 Federal Register notice is as follows:

- Florida A&M University signed the original Certification and Agreement on April 9, 2020 and returned to the U.S. Department of Education on April 10, 2020 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus, which was extended to CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
- Florida A&M University has received **\$31,323,840** from the Department pursuant to the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students for disbursement in accordance with CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
- The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of **September 30, 2021**, is **\$28,456,228**.
- It is estimated that **8,998** students at Florida A&M University are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
- To date, **8,998** students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant as provided under CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
- The University implemented a tier awarding methodology to determine which students would receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants as well as the amount they would receive under CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs. The basis of this determination is in accordance with the U.S. Department of Education recommendation of providing emergency grants to students with the greatest financial need. The Pell eligible students who may be most vulnerable to the COVID-19 pandemic were the first priority. The University then focused on our non-Pell eligible, Graduate and Professional students with an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) up to \$15,000.
- Guidance is continuously provided to students including via the university COVID-19 Coronavirus webpage, the Office of Financial Aid webpage and routine Student Town Hall meetings and other campus platforms.

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**Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA)
and
American Relief Plan (ARP)
Awarding Methodology
Office of Financial Aid
October 10, 2021**

CRRSAA/ARP and HBCU/HBGI Funding Methodology

FAMU has allocated \$50 million from the following funding sources to assist students with college-related expenses aligned with our cost of attendance determinations.

\$50 million for Student Debt Relief

Award Number	Area	Debt Funding Source
P425E200135	HEERF-Student Aid	\$18,279,698
P425F200295	HEERF-Institution	-0-
P425J200003	HEERF-HBCU	\$31,995,302
		\$50,000,000

Each student enrolled in a degree-seeking program except students designated as “special” or non-degree seeking will receive \$5,000, payable in two equal installments of \$2,500 for fall and spring semesters. Please see the following proration chart of Awards.

Enrollment by Credit Hour	Fall Award	Spring Award	Total
Fulltime (12 or more UG/9 or more GR)	\$2500	\$2500	\$5000
3/4 time (9-11 UG/7-8 GR)	\$1875	\$1875	\$3750
Half-time (6-8 UG/5-7 GR)	\$1250	\$1250	\$2500
Less than half-time (less than 6 UG/less than 5 GR)	\$625	\$625	\$1250

After the initial awarding of students, the university reserves the right to review students’ overall awards to determine eligibility for additional funding with priority going to students with EFC’s less than \$5,000 for the 2021/22 award cycle.