Seattle University

Award Report: March 31, 2021
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA)
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)—Student Portion

PR/Award Number: P425E200172-20A
Funding Received: January 18, 2021

1. Seattle University signed and returned to the Department of Education Seattle University’s Funding Certification and Agreement for the student portion of the university’s CARES Act HEERF funds on April 10, 2020. The university used no less than 50 percent of its funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. The university published its first (and final) CARES Act HEERF funds student portion report on May 20, 2020.

2. Seattle University received an additional $1,846,460 under CRRSAA on January 18, 2021, pursuant to its Funding Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.


4. Seattle University estimates that, at the time the university distributed its Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under CRRSAA, approximately 6800 of its students were eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and were thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students from the HEERF.
5. For the period of January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021, Seattle University distributed Emergency Financial Aid Grants to 1,994 students under CRRSAA.

6. Seattle University established a committee to oversee the distribution of CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants. The same committee oversaw distribution of CRRSAA Emergency Financial Aid Grants. The committee examined student financial data to establish a formula for funding grants. For the period of January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021, the committee authorized (and the university distributed): (1) grants of $1,250 to 968 students who are eligible for Pell grants and have unmet financial need of greater than $10,000; (2) grants of $750 to 493 students who are eligible for Pell grants and have unmet financial need of less than $10,000; (3) grants of $500 to 532 students who are not eligible for Pell grants but have an expected family contribution of less than $12,280; and (4) one grant of $210 to one student not eligible for Pell grants but with a low expected family contribution.

7. Seattle University provided direction and guidance to students regarding the Emergency Financial Aid Grants in the students’ award notification communications (noting that the grant could be used “for any component of your cost of attendance at Seattle University or for emergency costs arising due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.”).