

**Public Reporting – Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES),
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), and
American Rescue Plan (ARP) Student Aid Portion**

Information for calendar quarter July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

1. Certification and Agreement

Loma Linda University acknowledges it has signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution 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.

2. Total Funds Received

Loma Linda University was allocated \$888,759 on May 21, 2020 and \$888,759 on January 17, 2021, and \$2,428,471 on May 15, 2021 for a total of \$4,205,989 from the Department for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

3. Amount of Grants Awarded

Between July 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021, Loma Linda University distributed \$831,857 of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

4. Eligible Students

The estimated total number of students at Loma Linda University eligible to receive Emergency financial Aid Grants to student under Section 2003(a)(1) of ARP is 6,800.

5. Number of Grants Awarded

Between July 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021 Loma Linda University awarded 339 students grants under Section 2003(a)(1) of ARP.

6. Disbursement Plan

For funds distributed under Section 2003(a)(1) of ARP, these grants must go to students with “Exceptional Need.” Therefore, undergraduate and graduate students who were 1) either a current or prior Pell Grant recipient; 2) have an EFC at or below the current Pell grant EFC level, and 3) either borrowed student loans to cover Winter and/or Spring 2021 tuition or were ineligible for student loans (for example, they were at aggregate or their program was not federal aid eligible) were offered a grant of \$1,500 each for use toward emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, healthcare, or childcare. Students were given the choice to apply the grant to their student account or have the funds sent to them via direct deposit or check.

In addition, students with exceptional need are able to apply for up to \$6,000 for emergency costs that arose due to coronavirus. Students have the choice to apply the grant to their student account or have the funds sent to them via direct deposit or check.

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

For funds distributed under Section 2003(a)(1) of ARP,

Dear [Student]:

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021 included additional COVID-19 assistance through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). In late May 2021 LLU received the ARP award notice of the HEERF funds available for LLU student grants.

The ARP Act stipulates that these HEERF student grants must go to students with "Exceptional Need." You have been identified as a student who meets the definition of exceptional need based on the following three criteria: 1) you are a current or prior Pell Grant recipient, 2) you have an EFC at or below the current Pell grant EFC level, and 3) you either borrowed student loans to cover Winter and/or Spring 2021 tuition or you were ineligible for student loans (because you are at aggregate or your program is not federal aid eligible.)

LLU is pleased to offer you a HEERF grant of \$1,500. You may use this grant toward emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus. Examples of allowable expenses include tuition, food, housing, health care, and child care. HEERF Grant funds are not considered financial aid, do not need to be coordinated with other financial aid received, and are tax exempt. Given this is a grant, repayment is not required.

These funds can either be applied directly to your student account or they can be disbursed to directly to you via direct deposit, to the personal bank account of your choosing, or by check. If you have not signed up for direct deposit, you can complete the request on your student portal.

- 1. Login to Student Services at <https://ssweb.llu.edu/loginpin>*
- 2. Click "Student Finance"*
- 3. Click "Student Account Settings"*
- 4. Click "Direct Deposit Settings"*

Please reply to this email, StudentCOVIDaid@llu.edu, with how you would like these funds delivered to you. Please select A. or B. below:

- A. Please credit my student account directly. I understand that I can withdraw any funds remaining after my balance is paid.*
- B. Please issue the funds to me directly:*
 - 1. By direct deposit, I have set up my account information*
 - 2. By check through the mail, I do not have direct deposit*

If you do not need these funds and would like to make them available to other needy LLU students, please email us at StudentCOVIDaid@llu.edu indicating that you would like to decline the aid.

The health, well-being and security of our students remains our utmost priority. We hope the awarding of this grant will assist you with your continued educational journey at LLU.

We are writing today to let you know that Loma Linda University (LLU) has a limited amount of federal funds available to assist students impacted by COVID-19. With the Coronavirus entering a new surge, if you suffer a financial setback due to COVID-19, we may be able to help.

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021 included additional COVID-19 assistance for students through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). Students who are currently enrolled at LLU or were enrolled at LLU any time on or after March 13, 2020, are eligible to apply.

REQUIREMENTS: To qualify for a Federal HEERF Grant students must have exceptional financial need, examples of exceptional need include:

1. Students who are unable to finance a portion of their "Cost of Attendance" budget using traditional grants and/or student loans and thereby could be facing food or housing insecurity. HEERF funds are not intended to replace student loans.
2. Students who have faced extra unexpected expenses due to the Coronavirus. This can include students who have faced increased healthcare expenses (including mental health care) directly related to the pandemic.

PRIORITY: Institutions are required to prioritize HEERF funding as follows:

1. Undergraduates students who receive Pell Grants or have extraordinary financial circumstances
2. Domestically enrolled students, including graduate and professional students. Domestically enrolled students include US citizens, permanent residents, refugees, asylum seekers, DACA recipients, and similar students residing in the US.

PROHIBITED: HEERF grants cannot be awarded for:

1. Future tuition and fees. HEERF funds are not financial aid and therefore cannot be awarded as part of the financial aid package for future enrollment.
2. Normal, anticipated expenses that are not due to Coronavirus.
3. Lost wages. By definition, lost wages do not constitute actual expenses or costs.
4. Assisting extended family or friends. Extended family and friends include parents, grandparents, roommates, etc. (Student's legal dependents are part of the student's household and therefore are not considered extended family.)

To apply for assistance, please log into Banner web and complete the "Emergency Aid Application" located at the bottom of the screen. Please email your completed application to StudentCOVIDaid@llu.edu. We will begin reviewing applications after August 16, 2021.