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UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES & PHARMACY IN ST. LOUIS (F/K/A ST. LOUIS COLLEGE OF PHARMACY) CARES, CRRSAA & ARP EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS TO STUDENTS FUND REPORT June 30, 2021 (Posted on July 9, 2021)

Secretary, United States Department of Education

- The University of Health Sciences & Pharmacy in St. Louis (the "University") signed and returned to the U.S Department of Education ("ED") the Certification and Agreement to use the applicable amount of funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act ("CRRSAA"), and the American Rescue Plan ("ARP") Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid grants to students.
- 2. The University received the following amount of funds from the ED pursuant to the University's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES, CRRSAA & ARP 18004(a)(1) programs:
 - I. CARES \$339,148 (Notified on May 1, 2020)
 - II. CRRSAA \$339,148 (Notified on January 19, 2021)
 - III. ARP \$813,223 (Notified on May 21, 2021)
- 3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CARES, CRRSAA & ARP 18004(a)(1) programs as of the date of this report is \$678,296:
 - I. CARES \$339,148
 - II. CRRSAA \$339,148
 - III. ARP \$0

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- 4. The University's estimated total number of students eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under 18004(a)(1) programs of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP Acts is 1,099.
- 5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under 18004(a)(1) programs of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP Acts is 1,088 as of the date of this report.
- 6. The methods used by the University to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they receive under 18004(a)(1) programs of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP Acts are summarized as follows:
 - I. <u>CARES</u>: To receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants for CARES funds under subsection a. and b. below, students were required to be enrolled at the University on March 27, 2020, the date the CARES Act was enacted.

Following the ED's guidance to recognize student need, widely distribute the financial aid, and to provide the aid to students as quickly as possible:

- a. The University elected to distribute approximately 25% of the funds, in equal amounts, to 114 students receiving Pell grants based on their FAFSA. The per student share of funds distributed to the group of Pell-receiving students is slightly more than the per student share of funds distributed to the group of non-Pell receiving students. The Pell-receiving students received \$750.00 per student.
- b. The University elected to distribute approximately 63% of the funds, in equal amounts, to 855 students that did not receive Pell grants based on their FASFA. The per student share of funds distributed to the group of non-Pell-receiving students is slightly lower than the per student share of funds distributed to the group of Pell-receiving students. The non-Pell-receiving students received \$250.00 per student.
- c. The University elected to designate approximately 12% of the funds to a Student Emergency Grant Program, which is administered by the University's Students of Concern ("SOC") Committee. The SOC Committee's goal is to provide a confidential support system for students. The



Committee, comprised of representatives from Student Affairs, College of Pharmacy, College of Arts and Sciences and Public Safety, generally receives referrals from the campus community about students in need. Students may also apply for these funds independent of a referral. The committee members consider each request based on its own merit and determine the appropriate level of intervention and conduct outreach to students to offer individualized support.

II. <u>CRRSAA</u>: To receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants for CRSAA funds under subsection a. and b. below, students were required to be enrolled at the University as of the 10-day census for the Spring 2021 semester.

Following the ED's guidance to recognize student need, widely distribute the financial aid, and to provide the aid to students as quickly as possible:

- a. The University elected to distribute approximately 38% of the funds, in equal amounts, to 87 students receiving Pell grants based on their FAFSA. The per student share of funds distributed to the group of Pell-receiving students is greater than the per student share of funds distributed to the group of non-Pell receiving students. The Pell-receiving students received \$1,500.00 per student.
- b. The University elected to distribute approximately 62% of the funds, in equal amounts, to 850 students that did not receive Pell grants based on their FAFSA. The per student share of funds distributed to the group of non-Pell-receiving students is lower than the per student share of funds distributed to the group of Pell-receiving students. The non-Pell-receiving students received \$250.00 per student.

Students were instructed that CARES and CRRSAA Act Student Emergency Financial Aid Grants are to be used to cover expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and/or child care).

III. <u>ARP</u>: As of June 30, 2021, the University was evaluating the ARP Emergency Financial Aid Grant requirements and had not yet determined which students were eligible or how much each student would receive in funding.

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7. Distribution of CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants funds to students in sections 6.I.a. and 6.I.b. above was automatic (no application was required) and was completed on May 27, 2020 for 966 individuals. After a secondary review of eligibility, three additional students were awarded automatic CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants on May 4, 2021. Distribution of CRRSAA Emergency Financial Aid Grants funds to students in sections 6.II.a. and 6.II.b. above was automatic (no application was required) and was completed on April 13, 2021. The CARES and CRRSAA funds were transferred to students via the issuance of individual checks sent directly to the address the student placed on file with the University. Distribution of Emergency Financial Aid Grants funds to students in section 6.I.c. occurred after committee members approved awards to students. Once approved, funds were transferred to students via the issuance of individual checks the student placed on file with the University to the address the students via the issuance of undertified to students via the issuance of funds were transferred to students via the issuance of undertified to st