Cornell University

HEERF Student Emergency Grant Quarterly Budget and Expenditure Report

Calendar Year 2021: Quarter 3, ending 9/30/2021 Report Update: 2/4/2022¹

Cornell University signed and returned a Certification and Agreement to the Department of Education to accept allocated funds from the Coronavirus Assistance, Relief and Economics Security Act (CARES Act); the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA); and the American Rescue Plan (ARP), Public Law 117-2; legislation which established and funded the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF I, II & III) to provide Student Emergency Grants. These critical funds help eligible Cornell University students cover emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus or eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance.

Federal Emergency Aid Grant Reporting:

As of the quarter ending September 30, 2021, Cornell University has been allocated \$29,437,780.00² under CARES, CRRSAA and ARP to fund HEERF Student Emergency Grants and has distributed \$24,101,849.28 directly to students.

The estimated total number of students eligible for review to receive Student Emergency Grants in the quarter ending 9/30/2021 was 10,850.³

Cornell University distributed \$17,698,680⁴ during the quarter ending 9/30/2021 to 7,549 students⁵.

Federal Emergency Aid Grant Criteria and Eligibility:

Funds distributed during the quarter ending 9/30/2021 were available to undergraduate, graduate and professional, online, non-degree, and withdrawn students that had submitted a FAFSA or Profile Application for 2021-2022 by August 31, 2021. For these students, grant awards were based on a calculation of financial need using the student's EFC and/or the Parent's Contribution. The maximum award amount was \$3300.

Federal HEERF III funds were also made available to students who submitted a request for funding to assist with COVID related expenses through the Cornell University Emergency Fund. These students must have experienced a COVID-related expense and document financial need for HEERF funding. Award amounts were based on emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus or eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, housing, and transportation. Fewer than 10 students have received funding through this distribution method.

Students received an email notifying them of their distribution. Copies of all communications and additional information is available online at https://covid.cornell.edu/cares-act/.

¹ This 2/4/2022 report updates to ED requested format and corrects ARP amount reported in the initial quarterly report posted 10/10/2021.

² CARES Allocation (\$6,400,490); CRRSAA Allocation (\$6,400,490); ARP Allocation (\$16,636,800)

³ Estimated number of students eligible for review excludes those who received funding prior to 2021 Q3

⁴ CARES (-25.23); CRRSAA (\$6,397,861.18); ARP (\$11,300,844.05). Note this report corrects the amount previously reported as expended from ARP of \$11,298,190.

⁵ Unduplicated count