Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act – Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Grant at Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology provides emergency financial assistance to eligible students who are experiencing hardship that could adversely affect their academic success.

Spartan College is grateful to be able to deliver extra financial assistance to qualified students during this difficult time. If you are a Spartan student impacted by the College's modified operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic response, you can receive an award of $1,000 for qualified expenses. Although this is federal grant funding, Spartan is responsible for managing the approval and disbursement process. The funding is limited and will be awarded based on eligibility and need.

Eligible Students

The main criteria for the grant are completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and no flags for all General Title IV eligibility requirements. Students must also be currently enrolled, meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) requirements, and have incurred expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus.

Students who incurred expenses after March 06, 2020, due to campus disruption and the transition to online learning, will be eligible to receive $1,000. This lump sum funding amount is based on an equal distribution among eligible students.

Eligible Expenses

Funding may be awarded to cover expenses related to:

- Course materials
- Technology
- Food
- Housing
- Health care
- Childcare

Accepting the Funds

Spartan emailed to all eligible students an acknowledgement form that must be signed, completed and returned to confirm the funds.

 By accepting the funds, students are confirming that they have incurred expenses after March 06, 2020, that are directly related to campus closure and transition to online learning due to coronavirus. Any funds remaining after disbursements are made for all completed and returned acknowledgement forms will be disbursed to other eligible students having a greater need for assistance.

Receiving the Award

The funds will be processed in the form of a check and mailed to the most current residential address on file with Spartan.

Important Information About CARES Act Funding

Please carefully read the following information regarding the CARES Act funding. If you have questions about CARES Act funding after reading this, contact the Spartan Student Finance Office at .

- Receiving CARES Act funding will not impact your financial aid.

- Funds cannot be applied toward your tuition balance, so you will receive the CARES funding regardless of your tuition balance.

- Funds are not considered taxable income.

- Must not be enrolled in a fully online program.

- Based upon our current understanding of the Act, you will not be required to submit documentation of expenses at this time. However, it is possible that we may contact you for documentation in the future.

Fund Allocation Reporting

Spartan College has signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement that assures that Spartan College 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.

HEERF I

Spartan has received a combined total of $539,466 for both Student Aid and Institutional Costs. Half, or $269,733, is required to provide emergency financial aid grants directly to students.

As of March 31, 2022, Emergency Financial Aid Grants have been distributed to 149 students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act for a total of $269,733. This data will be updated every 45 days.

HEERF II

Spartan has received a combined total of $284,180.

As of March 31, 2022, Emergency Financial Aid Grants have been distributed to 234 students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act for a total of $180,500. This data will be updated every 45 days.