

Union University HEERF II Reporting

Section 314(a)(1), (a)(4) HEERF II (CRRSAA), directs institutions receiving funds under Section 3144 of the Act to submit (in a time and manner required by the Secretary) a report to the Secretary describing the use of funds distributed from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund ("HEERF"). The HEERF II Act requires institutions to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received from Section 314(a)(1), (a)(4) HEERF II of the Act to make financial aid grants to students, which can be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or childcare. Unlike the CARES Act, the CRRSAA requires that institutions prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who receive Pell Grants, and authorizes grants to students exclusively enrolled in distance education. Funds may be used for pre-award costs incurred on or after December 27, 2020.

1. Union University was not required to apply for HEERF II funds since it received CARES Act funding (under Section 18004(e)).
2. Union University was required to spend at least the same amount on student grants as was required with CARES Act funding (which was \$992,441). Union University spent \$992,441 on student grants within the HEERF II program.
3. Awarding progression:
 1. Union University received 1,477 applications and determined that 1,374 of the applicants were eligible for a grant.
 2. As of June 30th, Union University has disbursed the Higher ED Emergency Relief Funds II Grant as follows:
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 - 1,374 student recipients with grants ranging from \$20 - \$5,000
 - \$992,441 was the total amount awarded and disbursed
 - These student recipients were awarded on March 3, 2021.
 3. As of September 30, 2021, there are no changes to the previous (June 30, 2021) posted information as funds are exhausted.
4. Union University carefully reviewed to ensure students met the eligibility requirements as set forth by the HEERF II Act and the US Department of Education. For initial awarding, those who:
 1. successfully completed the FAFSA

2. successfully displayed they were either a US citizen or eligible non-citizen
3. were enrolled at least 12 hours
4. were enrolled in a residential program (undergraduate and graduate) and were deemed eligible to receive the HEERF II grant.
5. An email was sent to all recipients informing them of this award and how eligibility was determined. If a student did not provide affirmative consent to use the funds towards their student account, the business office issued payment directly to the student. Additionally, instructions were provided on how the funds would be made payable to the student's account.