

Austin College CRRSSA and ARP HEERF Student Aid Reporting Information (Updated June 30, 2021)

Award No. P425E204096

Introduction

This document is to serve as the public reporting requirement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP) section (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

Under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs, student portion funds must be used to provide financial aid grants to students (including students exclusively enrolled in distance education) which may 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 child care. In making financial aid grants to students, an institution of higher education must prioritize grants to students with exceptional need, such as students who receive Pell Grants.

Acknowledgement of Funding and Certification

Austin College acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Award

Austin College received a total of \$2,348,164 from the Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

Funds Awarded to Date

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of June 30, 2021 is \$671,303

Student Eligibility

The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs is 1,201.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs is 1201

Methods Used to Determine Student Eligibility and Emergency Financial Aid Grant Amounts

Eligible students were, at the time, determined to be all enrolled **full-time degree-seeking**, undergraduate and graduate students minus visa holders and students whose documentation status cannot be confirmed resulting in 1,201 students. All 1,201 students were offered emergency financial aid grants with Pell-eligible students, 386, receiving a larger grant amount of \$650.00 per student versus a grant of \$515.83 for non-Pell students, with one non-Pell student, selected at random, to receive an additional \$1.55 to complete the CRRSAA \$671,303 fund distribution.

Instructions/Directions Given to Students Concerning Emergency Financial Aid Grants

Students received the following email:

June 30, 2021 REVISED AFTER INITIAL POSTING. CHANGE DATE: OCTOBER 6, 2021



We are pleased to inform you that you will receive a student grant valued at \$650.00 as part of the student funding of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA).

Complete and submit the [CRRSAA Acknowledgment Form](#) to tell us how you want to receive the grant.

By submitting the form, you are affirming you have a financial need. The funds may be used for any portion of your cost of attendance (e.g., tuition and fees, room and board, cost of books, supplies, transportation), or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Sincerely,

Austin College Business Office



Students completed the following form online which was linked in the above email:



CRRSAA Grant Acknowledgment

Name

Austin College ID Number

Date

Please acknowledge that you are accepting the grant by clicking the box next to the statement below.

- I acknowledge that I am a U.S. citizen (or U.S. national) or an eligible non-citizen (1) a permanent U.S. resident with a Permanent Resident Card (I-551); (2) a conditional permanent resident with a Conditional Green Card (I-551C); (3) the holder of an Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) from the Department of Homeland Security showing any one of the following designations: "Refugee," "Asylum Granted," "Parolee", T-visa holder or "Cuban-Haitian Entrant;" or (4) the holder of a valid certification or eligibility letter from the Department of Health and Human Services showing a designation of "Victim of human trafficking". DACA students, undocumented students or students with F-1, H-4, L-2, A-1 visa are not U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens (without the above documentation).
- I understand that I will receive a student grant as part of the student funding of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA). By submitting this form, I am affirming that I have a financial need. The funds may be used for any portion of my cost of attendance (e.g., tuition and fees, room and board, cost of books, supplies, transportation), or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Please choose one of the following options to let us know how you would like to use your grant funds.

Option 1:

I opt to apply the full amount of the grant to my Student Receivable Account to pay existing balances or to leave it on my account to cover future charges.

Option 2:

I opt to apply the full amount of the grant to my Student Receivable Account to cover any balances currently due and choose to have any remaining credit balance disbursed directly to me.

Please issue refund of credit balance by: (check one)

- E-Check (Direct Deposit). Sign up for direct deposit of your grant on WebHopper using Direct Deposit Account Payable link found on Main Student Menu under the Financial Information section.

OR

- Please issue a paper check to the following address:



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Option 3:

I opt to receive the full amount of the grant disbursed directly to me. I understand that I am responsible for any balance due on my Student Receivable Account.

Please disburse the grant to me by: (check one)

- E-Check (Direct Deposit). Sign up for direct deposit of your grant on WebHopper using Direct Deposit Account Payable link found on Main Student Menu under the Financial Information section.

OR

- Please issue a paper check to the following address:

X _____
Signature

Date