

Q1 2021 HEERF Student Aid Report
January 1, 2021 – March 31, 2021
CRRSAA - HEERF II

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Santa Clara University (SCU), in compliance with:

1. Section 314(e) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), which directs institutions receiving funds from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to submit reports to the Secretary of Education describing the use of the funds distributed from the HEERF;

2. reporting updates sent from the Department of Education's (ED) Program Officer;

is posting by July 10, 2021 the Q1 2021 report related to SCU's CRRSAA (a)(1) program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students in a format and location easily accessible to the public.

1. SCU has signed and returned to ED the Certification and Agreement and assurance that SCU is using or has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA (a)(1) program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

2. SCU was allocated \$1,771,339.00 from the CRRSAA (a)(1) program.

3. As of March 31, 2021, SCU distributed \$1,308,000 from the CRRSAA (a)(1) program HEERF funds in the form of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. SCU provides students with notice of award status in advance and expedites the distribution of funds immediately thereafter.

4. The estimated total number of SCU students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the CRRSAA (a)(1) is approximately 7,300.

5. The total number of students who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under the CRRSAA (a)(1) program is 872.

6. The method(s) used by SCU to determine which students could receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they could receive under the CRRSAA (a)(1) program are as follows:

In accordance with ED's direction, SCU prioritized the distribution of funds to eligible students demonstrating exceptional need. The funds were prioritized for students who qualify for federal Pell Grants or state Cal Grants. Eligible students who were known to have exceptional need based on information available to the Office of Financial Aid were notified on March 12, 2021 that they would receive grants of \$1,500 each without needing to apply. Students who were not Pell Grant or Cal Grant recipients could apply for funding if they had a self-identified hardship need due to the coronavirus. Beginning March 29, 2021, this second group of students were able to submit an online request form application attesting to their exceptional need for emergency funds. These applications will be reviewed in April, and funds provided to students in May.

7. Instructions and FAQs concerning the CRRSAA Emergency Financial Aid Grants were provided to students on the SCU website. All students received email notifications about the program. (See [COVID-19 Week 10 Update](#), [COVID-19 Finals Week Update](#), [Welcome to Spring Term Update](#), at <https://www.scu.edu/covid-19/campus-messages/>). These email messages were sent to students on March 12, March 19, and March 26, 2021. Any questions students had about the program could be submitted to OneStop@scu.edu.