

OHSU CARES Act Emergency Grant Report

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(Updates to this report will not be made every 45 days since all Emergency Financial Aid Grants have been delivered to students as of June 25, 2020)

1. OHSU has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education (the Department) the required Certification and Agreement to receive emergency funding under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. OHSU has used 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. On May 29, 2020, OHSU received a Grant Award Notification in the amount of \$506,097 from the Department pursuant to the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of June 25, 2020 is \$506,097. OHSU has distributed all of the funds allocated to OHSU for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
4. The estimated total number of students that OHSU verified as eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and also eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 1467.
5. The total number of students who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 438.
6. OHSU required students to complete an online CARES Act Grant application so that students could certify eligible expenses such as food, housing, technology, course materials, additional childcare, medical expenses, etc. related to campus disruptions due to COVID-19. Funding was distributed to students via a tiered approach with the students who reported higher expenses receiving a higher allocation. 1467 students were verified as eligible to complete the CARES Act Grant Application. 459 students completed the CARES Act Grant application (some students completed the application but listed zero in related expenses). 438 students, representing 95% of the students who completed the CARES Act Grant application, received an award. The minimum award amount distributed to students was \$100 and the maximum award amount was \$1900.
7. OHSU emailed all students enrolled in the Spring 2020 academic term informing them that OHSU had been allocated funding under the CARES Act to be used for Emergency Grants to students. Students were informed that an application for funding was required so that students could certify their eligible expenses related to campus disruptions due to COVID-19. Students were informed that students meeting the following eligibility requirements could apply for funding: students who OHSU had verified as eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and; students enrolled in programs that are not normally delivered online, and; students currently enrolled (had not withdrawn). Students meeting the criteria to apply for funding were sent a subsequent email, with a link to the application, informing them that they were eligible to apply for funds and the deadline date to complete the application. Prior to the deadline date, students eligible to apply for funding were sent another email reminding them of their eligibility and of the deadline date to apply for funding. Once funding was distributed to eligible students, all of the students eligible to apply for funding were sent a final email informing them that OHSU had distributed funding to eligible students. Students that had direct deposit set up received funds via direct deposit and the remaining students were issued checks. Emergency Financial Aid Grants were distributed directly to students and were not applied to any balance owed OHSU.