



Information about UWest's Funding Usage under the CARES Act HEERF

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act will allocate \$140,086 in Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) to UWest for the university to serve students and help them continue to learn during this unprecedented time.

UWest has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education a CARES HEERF Certification and Agreement including assurance that the university will use no less than 50 percent of the HEERF received, i.e. \$70,043, to provide emergency grants to students with unforeseen emergency expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. Eligible expenses include food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare.

Of those funds, the total amount that has been distributed to students as of the date of reporting (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every 45 days thereafter) are as follows:

Date	Amount Distributed	Number of Student Awarded
19-May-20	Funds Approved	N/A
18-Jun-20	\$43,390	76
Total Distribution	\$43,390	76

UWest has estimated 126 students that are potentially 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 Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

In accordance with the U.S. Department of Education guidelines, UWest shall distribute the CARES Act Student Emergency Fund to all eligible students through an application process. Each eligible student will receive a one-time, lump-sum cash grant in the amount of \$600 for full-time and half-time students, or \$160 for less-than half-time students. Each student who lived in the on-campus residence halls and moved off campus due to COVID-19 disruption will receive an additional \$350 to cover their unexpected relocation expenses. Funds will be processed through student accounts and will be transferred via ACH direct deposit. If the student has not set up ACH direct deposit, they will receive a paper check.

Students were informed via university email and university website of the eligibility requirements, and that they shall submit an online application to certify that they incurred eligible expenses as a result of the campus disruption caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

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