

## **CARES ACT Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (Emergency Financial Aid Grants)**

### *Initial 30 Days Report*

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston has signed and returned the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds certification and agreement and intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide financial aid emergency grants to students. UTHSC-Houston received its HEERF allocated funds (Emergency Financial Aid Grant Portion) of \$997,852 on April 28, 2020.

Priority for receiving an emergency financial aid grant has been given to students whose expected graduation in May 2020 was delayed due to the cancelation of required clinical rotations and/or practicums. During the extended time period needed to fully complete their educational program and graduate, the affected students are receiving additional funds for living expenses as is customarily included in their cost of attendance calculation when receiving federal financial aid. All students whose graduation was disrupted and are Title IV eligible have been contacted and invited to complete an application to receive an emergency financial aid grant.

UTHSC-Houston has approximately 1,428 students who are currently enrolled for the Summer 2020 term and meet Title IV eligibility conditions. As of May 28, 2020, 23 students have received financial aid emergency grants totaling \$102,856.

## **CARES ACT Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (Emergency Financial Aid Grants)**

*Post 30 Days 45 Days Report as of 7/14/2020*

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston has signed and returned the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds certification and agreement and intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide financial aid emergency grants to students. UTHSC-Houston received its HEERF allocated funds (Emergency Financial Aid Grant Portion) of \$997,852 on April 28, 2020.

In Phase I, priority for receiving an emergency financial aid grant was given to students whose expected graduation in May 2020 was delayed due to the cancelation of required clinical rotations and/or practicums. During the extended time period needed to fully complete their educational program and graduate, the affected students are receiving additional funds for living expenses as is customarily included in their cost of attendance calculation when receiving federal financial aid. All students whose graduation was disrupted and are Title IV eligible have been contacted and invited to complete an application to receive an emergency financial aid grant.

In Phase II, priority has shifted to current students demonstrating significant need (e.g. PELL recipients and students with an Effective Family Contribution of zero).

UTHSC-Houston has approximately 1,428 students who are currently enrolled for the Summer 2020 term and meet Title IV eligibility conditions. As of July 14, 2020, 289 students have received financial aid emergency grants totaling \$427,344.