



Life Pacific University HEERF II Online Disclosure

On March 12, 2021, the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021 included additional COVID-19 relief through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was signed into law by President Joe Biden. This new COVID stimulus bill included funding for higher education institutions and students using the same Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II) model established in the Coronavirus aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

The total amount of HEERF II funds that Life Pacific University has designated for students is \$314,850.00 from the Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. LPU distributed emergency relief funds to 446 students as of April 30, 2021.

Expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus to help students address pressing financial needs and funds are meant to cover components of the Cost of Attendance (tuition, fees, books, living expenses, food, transportation, etc.). Priority was given to students with demonstrated high financial need (Pell eligible) based on a percentage formula that takes into consideration Department of Education guidelines. HEERF II funds also became available for online students this time. Online students were not eligible for the first round of CARES Act funds. Also the Dept. of Education stated that International Students and non-U.S. Citizens (DACA), were not eligible for these funds.

Eligible students received a check with a letter explaining the elements of the Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students from the HEERF II relief funds. The students were instructed that these funds could be applied to outstanding balances on student accounts by the institution but were disbursed as direct payments to students. Students may choose how to spend these funds and may turn around and use them to pay outstanding balances on their account. Students with a balance due also received a copy of their student statement so they could make informed decisions.

We hope and pray that these funds ease the impact students have experienced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have any questions regarding the HEERF II Relief Act emergency funds, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at financialaid@lifepacific.edu.