Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Emergency Student Grant Information Sheet and Reporting for June 26, 2020

Clayton State University has been allocated $3,082,838.00 by the Secretary of Education in association with Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to be used as emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care). Clayton State University has signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement stating that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

- As of June 26, 2020, Clayton State University has awarded $2,023,490 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to 2,477 students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

- Clayton State University estimates 3,712 students are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

- Students are eligible based on the following criteria;
    - Eligible for Title IV funds with a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) on file for the 2019-2020 award year.
    - Active enrollment in an on-campus program (course registration) on March 13, 2020. Students who were exclusively in an online program (course registration) on March 13, 2020 are not eligible for emergency financial aid grants.
    - Completed student survey acknowledging an impact associated with the coronavirus. The survey has been distributed to students via their Clayton State University email.

- Award amounts are based on a students Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) which is determined by the FASFA application.

EFC as per Completed FASFA	Award Amount
0-3,045	$910
3,046-5,000	$700
5,001+	$500

Students who are eligible for CARES Act emergency grants were emailed a notice of eligibility on Friday, May 1, 2020 with a link to the survey referenced above. Please see the FAQs below and if students have additional questions, please contact the Financial Aid Office at financialaid@clayton.edu or 678-466-4815.

What is the CARES Act Emergency Grant?

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act has been released by the U.S. Department of Education. The CARES Act will provide to colleges and universities cash grants to students related to the disruptions of their education due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please know that the CARES Act awards may vary from student to student based on economic need just as other federal aid (Pell, SEOG) varies. The Financial Aid office at Clayton State University will determine your eligibility for the CARES Act funds using the guidelines provided by the Federal Department of Education.

Who is eligible for the CARES Act Emergency Grant?

Students that may receive emergency financial aid grants under the CARES Act must meet the federal Title IV eligibility. Having a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file with the Financial Aid Office at Clayton State University for 2019-2020 award year is required for Clayton State University to determine eligibility. If you haven't completed a 2019-2020 FAFSA yet, please do so immediately. Students have until June 30, 2020 to apply for this award year.

How do I find out if I'm eligible for the CARES Act Emergency Grant?

Eligible students were emailed a survey to determine if they had been impacted by the coronavirus on Friday, May 7, 2020 to their Clayton State University email account. If you are unsure if you are eligible read the above eligibility qualifications and if you still have questions, please contact the Financial Aid Office at financialaid@clayton.edu or 678-466-4815.

How will I receive the CARES Act award?

All CARES Act awards will be refunded to our students through our third-party servicer, BankMobile. Please make sure that your BankMobile account information is up to date by logging onto BankMobile at: https://bankmobiledisbursements.com/, enter your student email and password.

You can also have refund alerts sent directly to your mobile phone. Signing up is easy:

1. Log in to your profile
2. Under the 'User Profile' tab, select 'Mobile Alerts'
3. Follow the prompts. (Text message fees by your service provider may still apply).