



The following information is for both HEERF I, II & III.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law to provide economic relief from COVID-19. One section of the CARES Act established the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) sent money to schools to use for emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the pandemic.

On May 7, 2020, Pacific Rim Christian University signed and returned to the Department of Education (US DOE) the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES Act. In doing so, PacRim assured that PacRim intended to use no less than fifty percent (50%) of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. PacRim has received \$78,285.00 from the US DOE pursuant to the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students that was signed and returned to the US DOE on May 7, 2020.

On Jan 14, 2021, the U.S. Department of Education announced an additional \$21.2 billion is now available to higher education institutions to ensure learning continues for students during the COVID-19 pandemic under the CRRSAA as HEERF II. On March 31, 2021, Pacific Rim Christian University received \$78,285 from the US DOE to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. The university intends to use the entire amount to distribute to students.

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law providing \$39.6 billion in support to institutions of higher education to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19

pandemic. On Aug 30, 2021, Pacific Rim Christian University received \$233,741 from the US DOE to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. The university intends to use the entire amount to distribute to students.

Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section (a)(1) under the ARP as HEERF III:

Updated grant distribution of Section (a)(1) under the ARP as HEERF III as of **September 7, 2021**:

Total amount of funds the institution has received for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students: **\$233,471.00**

Total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students: **\$233,471.00**

Total number of students at PacRim eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **117**
Total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant: **117**

Funding Methodology under Section (a)(1) under the ARP as HEERF III:

Pacific Rim Christian University used the following methodology to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section (a)(1) under the ARP as HEERF III:

1. The award amount was \$2,006.34 based on funding available and number of eligible students
2. Students wishing to apply were required to complete and submit a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Request Form via Google Forms

3. Identify Eligible Students based on their applications
 - a. Must have been enrolled in at least one class after the add/drop period between the Spring 2020 semester and the Fall 2021 semester.
 - b. Must complete this google form (link below) by 11:59 pm on Friday, August 27, 2021.
4. Priority will be given to:
 - a. Applicants who were pell grant eligible on their FAFSA during Spring 2021 semester
 - i. The desired minimum award was to be \$1500 per student but because only 117 students applied a priority listing was not necessary.

Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 314(a)(1) under the CRRSAA as HEERF II:

Updated grant distribution of Section 314(a)(1) under the CRRSAA as HEERF II as of **April 15, 2021**:

Total amount of funds the institution has received for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students: **\$78,285.00**

Total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students: **\$78,285.00**

Total number of students at PacRim eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **78**
Total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant: **78**

Funding Methodology under Section 314(a)(1) under the CRRSAA as HEERF II:

Pacific Rim Christian University used the following methodology to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and

how much they would receive under Section 314(a)(1) under the CRRSAA as HEERF II:

1. Awards ranged from \$692.00 to \$1025.00 based on funding available and number of eligible students
2. Students wishing to apply were required to complete and submit a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Request Form via Google Forms
3. Identify Eligible Students based on their applications
 - a. Must be a US citizen or permanent resident (green card holder).
 - b. Must have been enrolled in at least one class after the add/drop period (Jan 25th) for the Spring 2021 semester
 - c. Must complete this google form (link below) by 11:59 pm on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.
4. Priority will be given to:
 - a. Applicants who were pell grant eligible on their FAFSA during Spring 2021 semester
 - b. Applicants who have completed a 2021-22 FAFSA for the next school year so that qualifies them as US citizens or permanent residents.
 - i. The desired minimum award was to be \$650 per student but because only 78 students out of 130 applied a priority listing was not necessary.
5. There were 2 award tiers. The first award tier of \$1,025 was for students who met all the eligibility requirements. The second tier of \$692 was for students who met the eligibility requirements but did not incur additional expenses due to Covid-19.

Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Updated grant distribution of Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act (HEERF I) as of **March 31, 2021**:

Total amount of funds the institution has received for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students: **\$78,285.00**

Total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students:
\$78,285.00

Total number of students at PacRim eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **89**
Total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant: **89**

Funding Methodology under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Pacific Rim Christian University used the following methodology to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

1. Awards ranged from \$500.00 to \$925.00 based on funding available and number of eligible students
2. Identify Eligible Students
 - a. Title IV Eligible Students
 - i. Enrolled during the Spring 2020 semester at PacRim in an undergraduate degree program,
 - ii. Not be enrolled in elementary or secondary school and have a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent;
 - iii. Be maintaining satisfactory academic progress (SAP);
 - iv. Not owe an overpayment (refund) on Title IV grants;
 - v. Not be in default on a Title IV loan;
 - vi. File with ED “as part of the original financial aid application process” a certification (Statement of Educational Purpose) that includes:
 1. A statement of educational purpose, and
 2. The student’s Social Security Number (SSN);
 - vii. Be a U.S citizen or national, a permanent resident, or an eligible noncitizen;
 - viii. Have returned any fraudulently obtained Title IV funds, if the student is convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to charges;

- ix. Not have fraudulently received Title IV loans in excess of annual or aggregate limits;
 - x. Have repaid any Title IV loan overpayment amounts in excess of annual or aggregate limits, if obtained inadvertently
 - xi. For required male students their Selective Service registration has been verified (the Title IV aid ineligibility for failure to register is actually in the Selective Service Act §3811(f));
 - xii. Have a valid Social Security Number, or assigned FAFSA SSN; and
 - xiii. Not have a federal or state conviction for drug possession or sale, with certain time limitations.
3. Notifications via email, text, student portal alert, and telephone calls were made to potentially eligible students
4. Students wishing to apply were required to complete and submit a CARES ACT Emergency Grant Request Form which;
- a. Captures attestation of expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19
 - b. Captures type(s) of expenses
5. An award committee was established which consisted of the Vice President for Student Services, Director of Financial Aid, and the Director of Business Operation.
- a. The committee evaluated each application based of the following criteria:
 - i. Amount of additional expenses incurred related to campus disruption due to COVID-19
 - ii. Financial need (EFC from current school year)
 - iii. Dependent status (as determined on current FAFSA)
 - b. Grant awarded students were contacted via text and/or telephone and were able to receive their check on campus in person or through the US mail.
 - c. A Google Doc is used to maintain records of applicants, applications, and award amounts among members of the Award Committee. This Google Doc will also be used to assist with reporting of expenditures to the US Department of Education.