



# ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY

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VICE PRESIDENT FOR BUSINESS AND FINANCE

## Emergency Financial Aid Grant for Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

### **\*\* Quarterly Report\*\***

Grant Award Number	P425E203477
Budget Period	05/04/2020 – 05/03/2021
Federal Funding Period	05/04/2020 – 05/03/2021
Current Award Amount	\$3,142,232.00

#### **Reporting requirements**

Recipient shall promptly comply with Section 18004(c) of the CARES Act and (i) report to the Secretary thirty (30) from the date of this Certificate and Agreement and every forty-five (45) days thereafter in accordance with CFR 200.333 through 2 CFR 200.337, or in such other additional form as the Secretary may specify, how the grants were distributed to the students, the amount of each grant awarded to each student, how the amount of each grant was calculated, and any instructions or directions given to students about the grants: and (ii) document that Recipient has continued to pay all of its employees and contractors during the period of any disruptions or closures to the greatest extent practicable, explaining in detail all specific actions and decisions related thereto, in compliance with Section 18006 of the CARES Act.

1. Report to the Secretary thirty (30) from the date of this Certificate and Agreement.

The Recipient's Funding Certification and Agreement was executed by Christine C. Thomas on April 23, 2020. This report is submitted on May 26, 2020. May 26, 2020 is the submittal date since May 23, 2020 is on a Saturday and Monday May 25, 2020 is a National Holiday, Memorial Day.

2. How the grants were distributed to the students.

The University determined that the distribution of grants would be in compliance with guidance provided in the document provided by the United States Department of Education. According to the *Frequently Asked Questions about the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under Section 18004 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act* developed by the United States Department of Education, a student who has demonstrated eligibility to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), by filing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for academic year 2019-2020 is

eligible to receive an emergency financial aid grant from ASU. Students who did not file a FAFSA are also eligible to receive an emergency financial aid grant from ASU if you are U.S. citizenship or eligible noncitizen; have a valid Social Security number; registered with Selective Service (if the student is male); and have obtained a high school diploma, GED, or completed a high school in an approved homeschool setting.

The University determined student eligibility by the criteria identified above and as follows:

- Students enrolled in on-campus classes as of March 13, 2020 with a FAFSA on file.
- Students enrolled in on-campus classes as of March 13, 2020 who have not filed a FAFSA if they meet the following criteria:
  - US citizen or eligible noncitizen
  - A valid social security number
  - Registration with selective service (if male)
  - Not exclusively in an online program as of March 13, 2020
  - High School Diploma, GED, or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting

Students who were enrolled in classes as of March 13, 2020 and had not filed a FAFSA completed their certification by submitting the form titled "ASU Cares Program for Students that did not file a FAFSA."

3,410 students were deemed eligible in the initial population.  $\$3,142,232$  divided by 3,410 students which yielded  $\$921.48$  is the calculation that was used to determine the payment that would be distributed to the eligible population. As of March 31, 2021, the eligible population includes students who were enrolled in on-campus classes as of March 13, 2020 with a FAFSA on file as well as students who completed the "ASU Cares Program for Students that did not file a FAFSA" certifying the items above were 3,327 students.  $\$3,072,214.32$  have currently been disbursed to students.

Consistent with Section 18006 of the CARES Act, the University has continued to pay its employees as well as the contractors during this period.

The University will comply with all of the requirements listed in Attachment A of the Recipient's Funding Certification and Agreement Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Source documents:

- The Recipient's Funding Certification and Agreement Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) ACT
- Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Frequently Ask Questions

- Letter to the students from the President
- Video from the President
- ASU Cares Program for Students that did not file a FAFSA

Sincerely,



William Hopper,  
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