Report and Disclosure

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students -Utah Valley University December 31, 2020

- Utah Valley University (UVU) acknowledges it signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement on April 10, 2020, and gives the assurance that UVU will use more than 50% of the funds received under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
- 2. The total amount of funds UVU received on April 21, 2020, from the U.S. Department of Education for distribution to students is \$11,474,604.00.
- 3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every 45 days thereafter) is \$8,866,950.00.
- 4. The estimated total number of students at UVU eligible to participate in programs under section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under section 18004(a)(1) of the Cares Act is Estimated at 18,275.
- 5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 9,187.
- 6. The methods used to determine which and how much students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants are as follows -
 - Currently enrolled in at least six credit hours as an undergraduate or a graduate student for the term of disbursement
 - Eligible for funding under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965
 - Complete a 2020/2021 FAFSA
 - Awards are prioritized as explained below:
 - Based on a student's estimated family contribution (EFC), they will be given a one-time cash grant. \$1,000 per student. (Funding reviews for Spring 2020 completed 5/22/2020.)
 - A portion (not EFC-based but requires a completed FAFSA) of federal funds will be available to students who need

access to emergency funds for spring 2020, summer 2020, and fall 2020 semesters to help them continue their education. \$100 to \$1,000 per student.

- A portion of the funds will be available for students (must be federal financial aid-eligible) nearing completion of their degree. \$1,000 per student.
- 7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

The instructions, directions, or guidance provided by UVU to all students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants were sent via University email and published on the University website. Please see <u>CARES Act FAQ</u>

Email and Text messages:

Email Text

Dear_____:

Based on the application for financial aid you submitted earlier this year, UVU's Financial Aid office has identified you as a student who may be eligible for a COVID-19 emergency grant. This grant, part of the federal CARES Act, provides funding for students who have been affected by disruptions to their educations due to the COVID-19 outbreak—for example, if you need new technology to complete courses that were moved from face-to-face to online, if your housing needs changed when courses moved online, if you lost the job you held while attending UVU or child care and need financial help to complete the semester, if you need medical care, **or any other expenses related to the sudden disruptions to school and campus life**.

For more information about UVU's CARES Act funding, see (FAQ page).

To determine whether you are eligible, please complete the following survey and certification at (survey link). As soon as eligibility is determined funds will be sent to you. No additional steps are needed from you.

We hope you are staying healthy and safe! We look forward to seeing you again at UVU in summer or fall

Text Message

You may be eligible for CARES Act Emergency Funding. Please review and certify (FAQ page)