

## March 18, 2021 **SPECIAL REPORT:**

## Clark Atlanta University's Receipt of Emergency Student Aid Under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund ("HEERF") of the **Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act** (CRRSAA), 2021

Clark Atlanta University (CAU) signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education a Certificate and Agreement to receive supplemental grant funds for students pursuant to Section 314 (a) (1) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), 2021. CRRSAA requires CAU to provide at least the same amount of funding in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students as was required to be provided under Section 18004(a)(1) and (c) of division B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The total amount of funds made available to CAU from the Department of Education pursuant to CAU's Certification, and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students was \$3,032,175.

The estimated total number of students at CAU eligible to participate in the programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) and (c) of division B of the CARES Act is 3,341.

The University will disburse Emergency Financial Aid Grants to eligible Title IV students utilizing distribution percentages: 75% of the funds to Pell grant recipients and the remaining 25% of the funds to non-Pell grant recipient students enrolled as of March 8, 2021. The University has established a three (3) tiered method of distribution based on Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reported on the 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

75% Allocation of Total Funds to Pell Students		Allocations	# of Students		Student Payouts
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Total Pell Students	\$	2,274,131	1,973	\$	0
Percentage Pell students with EFC of \$0 to total Pell students = 61%	\$	1,387,220	1,187	\$	1,169
Percentage Pell students with EFCs of \$1 - \$5711 to total Pell students = 39%	\$	886,911	786	\$	1,128
25% Allocation of Total Funds to Non-Pell Students					
Total Non-Pell Students and Title IV Eligible Graduate Students (Undergraduate Students with EFCs of \$5712 or higher)	\$	758,044	1,368	\$	554
Total CRRSAA Dollars	\$	3,032,175	3,341	\$	0

To date, CAU has not distributed Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 314(d) (5) of the CRRSAA. However, CAU will distribute grants to eligible students by March 27, 2021. Within forty-five (45) days of this communication, CAU will post to the University website a report that indicates the total number of recipients of the Emergency Financial Aid grants. Except for eligible students who select to have their CRRSAA funds applied to their Spring 2021 student account balances, Emergency Financial Aid Grants will be issued to eligible students via Bank Mobile.

