

## **Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) Cru Cares Emergency Financial Aid Grants As of June 10, 2021**

1. **Acknowledgement:** University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (UMHB) acknowledges signing and returning to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement to be eligible to participate in CRRSAA. UMHB assures that it has used the applicable amount of funds designated under CRRSAA to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. **Allocation:** UMHB has received \$1,774,347 of CRRSAA funds for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
3. **Total Amount Disbursed to Students:** As of June 10, 2021, \$1,833,600 has been disbursed to eligible students. UMHB disbursed \$1,774,347 of CRRSAA funds designated for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students and an additional \$59,253 of CRRSAA institutional funds.
4. **Estimated Total Number of Eligible Students:** UMHB identified approximately 3,279 students eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under CRRSAA.
5. **Total Number of Students Awarded:** As of June 10, 2021, 1,538 students have received Emergency Financial Aid Grants under CRRSAA.
6. **Method of Awarding:** To apply, all eligible UMHB students had the opportunity to complete and submit the online Cru CARES Emergency Grant Certification to certify that they had qualifying expenses. Qualifying expenses may include any component of cost of attendance or to offset emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as: tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental), and childcare expenses. The certification process began on March 3, 2021 with the deadline of March 22, 2021. Following the deadline, UMHB evaluated the qualifying applicants and awards were made as follows:
  - a. Pell eligible undergraduate students: \$1,600
  - b. Non-Pell eligible undergraduate students: \$900All award disbursements were initiated by UMHB on April 9, 2021.
7. **Guidance to Students:** UMHB students were made aware of the opportunity to apply through email and the UMHB website. The following communications were sent to students.

### Communication to qualifying students to apply for Emergency Financial Aid Grants:

We realize that many of our students are experiencing economic burdens caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. UMHB has been allocated federal emergency funding authorized through the 2021 Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act. This funding is designed to help UMHB students with any component of their cost of attendance or offset emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as: tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental), and childcare. In addition, students must also meet the following criteria: U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or eligible non-citizen.

To be considered for Cru CARES Emergency Grant funding, you must have qualifying costs due to the coronavirus AND complete a certification process. If you have qualifying costs, complete the online Cru [CARES Emergency Grant Certification](#) by Monday, March 22. By completing the certification, you are confirming that you experienced qualifying costs due to the coronavirus which were incurred after December 27, 2020. After the certification period, UMHB will evaluate the volume of applicants

to determine the amount of funding, if any, you are eligible to receive. All students will be notified by April 5 of grant award status.

I pray you and your family remain safe during this time.

Communication to qualifying students receiving Emergency Financial Aid Grants:

You recently completed our Cru CARES Emergency Grant Certification, attesting that you met qualifications for grant funding. UMHB has evaluated the applications, and you have been awarded a Cru CARES Emergency Grant in the amount of <\$ **amount**>.

The UMHB Bursar's Office will initiate the disbursement of the Cru CARES Emergency Grant funds on Monday, April 12. You will receive communication directly from the Bursar's Office regarding how you will receive your grant funds.

I hope that you find this grant helpful.