

CRRSAA Act Report March 31, 2021

The following public information is provided in compliance with Public Law 116-260 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act.

1. Southern Illinois University Carbondale signed and returned an updated agreement on February 01, 2021, with the Department of Education providing additional emergency funds where no less than 50% of the funds received to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. The total amount of funds that SIU Carbondale received for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students is \$4,433,318.
3. The total amount of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Public Law 116-260 of the CRRSAA Act is \$3,597,000 as of March 31, 2021.
4. A total of 3,983 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid grant as of March 31, 2021.
5. SIU Carbondale determined which students were eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants funding based on information provided on the FAFSA. The allocation of funding was based on eligibility for Pell grants and the expected family contribution to the cost of attendance. Depending on individual circumstances, eligible students were offered grants with a minimum of \$500 and a maximum award of \$3,000.
6. Eligible students received email notification on February 5, 2021, requesting them to submit a short form requesting emergency funding to be used towards the cost of attendance, food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, child care or similar expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Students also received follow-up emails, text messages and phone calls. For the second round, students were contacted by telephone, email and text messages.