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.


4. A total of 4,685 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid grant as of September 30, 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.