

BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY

Higher Education Emergency Relief Report

CARES Grants to Students

Report as of March 31, 2021

Belhaven University signed and returned to the US Department of Education the Funding Certification and Agreement for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES Act on April 13, 2020. The Institution intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

As of December 27, 2020, the university has received Grant Award Notifications from the Department of Education regarding the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund allocated for the purpose of providing CARES funding to students:

\$2,204,818.00

On May15, 2020, the university began awarding CARES Grants to students. To date the amount of CARES funds disbursed to students is:

\$1,425,756.00

An estimated total number of students eligible to participate CARES Grants based on the criteria issued

4498

On May15, 2020, the university began awarding CARES Grants to students. To date the total number of students who have received CARES Grants is:

546

Methodology

The Institution formed a CARES Committee to develop a method for distribution and allocation of the CARES Grants to students. In accordance with guidance issued by the Department of Education, the committee determined that only students with extreme need are eligible for the CARES/HEERF funds. In an effort to reach the greatest number of students with extreme need, an application to assess need and impact from pandemic was created and posted to the student portal, Blazenet.

Communication to Students

The Institution has communicated guidance to students concerning the CARES Grant in a number of ways. Our website includes Frequently Asked Questions that address the availability of these funds, who is eligible and the type of expenses that can be covered.