

University of Valley Forge CARES Act Compliance Report
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In accordance with the guidelines of the federal government's Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and its provision of Emergency Financial Aid grants for students, UVF is providing the following report. This report has been updated as of January 10, 2021. There are no new changes since the June 30, 2020 updated report.

The following section addresses each of the reporting requirements:

1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
 - a. The University of Valley Forge acknowledges that we have signed and returned the Certification and Agreement for funding to the Department of Education. The University intends to use all of the student portion of the CARES Act for aid grants to students.
2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
 - a. The University has received \$299,954.00 in funding to issue Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students.
3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e. as of the 30day Report and every 45 days thereafter).
 - a. As of May 22, 2020, the University of Valley Forge has distributed \$279,400.00 directly to eligible students in the form of checks mailed to students.
 - b. As of June 30, 2020, the University of Valley Forge has distributed \$282,100.00 directly to eligible students in the form of checks mailed to students.
4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in 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) of the CARES Act.
 - a. As of May 22, 2020, it is estimated that we have 351 students who are eligible to receive CARES Act funding.
5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
 - a. As of May 22, 2020, the University has mailed checks to 336 students.
 - b. As of June 30, 2020, the University has mailed checks to 339 students.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
 - a. We utilized CARES Act funding to assist students who experienced a sudden and unexpected change in expenses as a result of campus closure. The grant range is from \$400 - \$900 per student depending on whether the student was a resident, commuter, or remained on campus after the campus closed. The funds are distributed based on the following cost categories which students experience due to the shift to online learning: transportation, food, housing/utilities, library resources, technology, and other general expenses related to campus closure and the completion of the spring semester online.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.
 - a. The following is from a May 8, 2020, email sent to students:
 - i. There are strict guidelines as to how we administer these funds, and we have been diligent to comply with government guidance. Here are some details about how the funding must be distributed.
 1. Per federal requirements, only students who are Title IV eligible based on their 2019-2020 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – meaning those who are eligible for federal student financial aid – may receive these grants.
 2. CARES Act Grant funding is intended and should be used for student expenses related to the disruption of campus operation due to Coronavirus, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and child-care expenses.
 3. Beginning next week, checks will be sent to students at their home address on record. The grant range is from \$400 to \$900 per student depending on whether the student was a resident, commuter, or remained on campus after the campus closed.
 4. Based on federal guidelines, this does not apply to students who were enrolled in online-only programs prior to the suspension of in-person teaching.