

## **Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students**

**August 21, 2020**

**Eastwick College-Hackensack (OPE ID: 012462)** received education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”), Public Law No: 116-136. This Fund Report applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

The institution appreciates that Congress and the President have made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education’s (“Department”) Electronic Announcement of May 6, 2020.<sup>1</sup> For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact **Christy Delaguerra, Director of Financial Aid**, at [cdelaguerra@eastwick.edu](mailto:cdelaguerra@eastwick.edu)

1. The institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. 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.
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 is **\$422,260**
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 this Fund Report is **\$357,000**
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 under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, as of the date of this Fund Report is **350**.
5. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is **238**
6. The methods 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 are provided at **Attachment A**. (See below.)
7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants are provided at **Attachment B**. (See below.)

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<sup>1</sup> See: <https://ifap.ed.gov/electronic-announcements/050620HigherEdEmergencyReliefFundRptg>

## Attachment A



Eastwick College (OPE ID: 012462) received education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Public Law No: 116-136. This policy applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

The institution appreciates that Congress and the President have made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance as stated below:

Students will be required to complete an application for the Emergency Financial Aid grants to students. The first application period ends on May 22, 2020.

Students must have a FAFSA on file and must be Title IV eligible.

Students must certify on the application that they have incurred expenses due to the Coronavirus pandemic, such as housing, food, technology, childcare, insurance expenses.

Students must have been actively enrolled on March 13, 2020 through May 22, 2020.

Once the application deadline is over, the institution will review all applications. Students that certified they have incurred expenses due to the pandemic will be eligible for an emergency grant.

The institution will provide an equal grant amount to all eligible applicants. The institution will not base eligibility on past financial needs (Pell eligibility). It is our belief that financial need for many of our students has changed drastically due to the pandemic.

After review and eligibility is determined, an emergency fund check will be mailed to the student's address.

**Attachment B**

Eastwick Education

**Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students**

**Under the Coronavirus AID, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act**

The U.S. Department of Education has made Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students of our institutions who need financial support for their expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to Coronavirus. This application permits students to apply for these need-based grants. Campus administration will use the information you provide to determine your eligibility for a grant and the amount for which you will be eligible. At this time each student will be eligible for only one grant, and only one application will be considered per student. Please fill out this information completely and accurately. Only students who were actively enrolled on March 13, 2020 through today and are in good standing will be eligible to receive a grant. In addition, students must have FAFSA on file and be Title IV eligible. The deadline for applying for this particular portion of the grant is May 22, 2020.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Four Digits of SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Eastwick Campus That You Attend \_\_\_\_\_ Program \_\_\_\_\_

Have you incurred expenses due to disruptions caused by the Coronavirus pandemic?

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Check all situations that apply to you.

- \_\_\_\_\_ I am financially responsible for my food expenses
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am financially responsible for my housing expenses
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am financially responsible for expenses related to my course material to attend school
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am financially responsible for paying for technologies associated with attending online classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am financially responsible for my own health care costs
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have children and am financially responsible for childcare expenses

I attest that all information is true and accurate, and I am requesting an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to help cover the cost of expenses incurred due to the Coronavirus pandemic. I understand that the administration of my school will determine my eligibility for grant monies based on my responses to the questions above.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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***For Administration Use Only***

Administrator Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Administrator Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Eligibility Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_