

Xavier University CRRSAA Student Aid Report Quarter 2 (4/1/21-6/30/21)

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Introduction

On December 27, 2020, the President signed the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) (P.L. 116-260). This new law gives the U.S. Department of Education approximately \$22.7 billion to distribute to institutions of higher education in order to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund.

Acknowledgement of Funding and Certification

HEERF II funds were awarded as a supplement to the CARES Act funds, HEERF I, and therefore, Xavier was not required to sign additional certification documents. Drawing down funds within 90 days constituted Xavier's acceptance of terms and conditions for HEERF II.

Total Award

Xavier received \$1,561,032 in student aid from CRRSAA funding which was provided directly to students impacted by the coronavirus as emergency aid.

Funds Distributed to Date

During Quarter 2 (4/1/21-6/30/21), a total of **\$1,421,952** was awarded to **552** Xavier University students and drawn down from the Department of Education.

Student Eligibility

For distribution of the HEERF II funds, Xavier identified those students with exceptional need as defined by their status as a Pell recipient. The 606 eligible full-time undergraduates selected to receive funds under the HEERF funds are all Pell recipients.

Process for Awards/Information Provided:

The 606 eligible students were sent an email from Dr. Jim Snodgrass, Dean of Student Success, informing them that they were eligible to receive a \$2,576 award. The students had three options: agree and electronically sign that they wanted the funds to go on a Focus Blue card, electronically sign that they wanted their grant to go towards their bill, or electronically sign to decline the grant. If students requested a Focus Blue card, they were instructed where on campus they could pick up their Focus Blue card with the \$2,576 loaded. The email explained that if students did not take any of the three actions within one month, unclaimed funds would be distributed to other students. Xavier Student Success employees made follow-up phone calls, reached out to other offices that interact with the students and sent follow-up emails to students. As of 6/30/21, 552 students had taken action to claim their funds as a Focus Blue card or toward their bill. Fifty-four students had not claimed their funds; therefore, those funds will be reallocated to other students.