

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

### Quarterly Reporting – Distribution as of December 31, 2021

Under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Coronanaviris Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and AmericanRescue Plan Act (ARP) signed into law, Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF I, II & III)), Platt College Los Angeles, LLC<sup>1</sup>, campuses locations Alhambra, Anaheim, Ontario and Riverside, received education stabilization funds designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

Pursuant to guidance issued by the Department of Education through an [Electronic Announcement](#) published on May 6, 2020, we are providing the following information about the funds we have received, and how, and to whom, we have distributed them.

1. On April 17, 2020, the institution signed and returned to the Department the ***Recipient's Funding Certification and Agreement (for) Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students*** required to receive funds allocated under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the total funds received to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.  
On April 15, 2021, the institution signed and returned to the Department the ***Certification and Agreement*** required to receive funds allocated under section 314(a)(1) CRRSAA. As required, the institution intends to use 100 percent of the total funds received to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.  
On August 11, 2021, the institution signed and returned to the Department the ***Required Proprietary Institution Certification Form*** required to receive funds allocated under section 2003(a)(4) ARP. As required, the institution intends to use 100 percent of the total funds received to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.
2. The total amount of funds that the institution has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement specifically for emergency financial aid grants to students is:
  - \$1,665,047 – CARES Act under section 18004(a)(1)
  - \$2,250,857 – CRRSAA under section 314(a)(1)
  - \$1,358,809 – ARP under section 2003(a)(4)
3. The total amount of emergency financial aid grants distributed to students under CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) and ARP section 2003(a)(4) as of the date of this Fund Report is \$3,609,666.
4. The estimated total number of students at the institution potentially qualified to receive emergency financial aid grants under CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) and ARP section 2003(a)(4) as of the date of this Fund Report is 1577.

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<sup>1</sup> This includes all Platt College Campuses under OPEID# 030627

5. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant under CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) and ARP section 2003(a)(4) as of the date of this Fund Report is 1216.
6. The methods we used to determine which students receive emergency financial aid grants and how much they would receive of the CARES Act under Section 18004(a)(1), CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) and ARP section 2003(a)(4) are included below under “Student Emergency Funding Allocation”.
7. The information we provided to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants appear below under “Student Notices”.

### Student Emergency Funding Allocation

#### **CARES Act under Section 18004(a)(1):**

Platt College Los Angeles, LLC made its first distribution of CARES Act emergency grant funds to students on May 26, 2020 using the following methodology:

- Students with high degree of financial need, as reflected in their eligibility for Federal Pell Grant funds and their primary EFC (expected family contribution). The award amount was based on the reported primary EFC of each student’s most recent 2019/2020 ISIR (Institutional Student Information Records) as of May 11, 2020.
 

EFC 0	received \$1,350.00
EFC 1-999	received \$1,200.00
EFC 1000-1999	received \$1,100.00
EFC 2000-2999	received \$1,000.00
EFC 3000-3999	received \$ 900.00
EFC 4000-4999	received \$ 800.00
EFC 5000-5576	received \$ 700.00
- Military Veteran students who were granted an approved Leave of Absence due to COVID-19 related campus disruption that resulted in the unavailability of certain courses offered through remote learning, and whom experienced a loss in military housing benefits from the Veteran’s Administration due to that disruption.
  - Veteran students were provided \$6,195.00 in grant aid to offset the loss of VA housing allowance funds.

Platt College Los Angeles, LLC made its second distribution of CARES Act emergency grant funds on July 9, 2020 to students through an application process using the following methodology:

- Title IV eligible students who did not qualify for the first round of grants(outlined above) because they were not eligible for Pell Grant, were provided the opportunity to apply for available funds. Students submitted an application which included an attestation to

having incurred expenses due to disruptions to campus operations caused by the Coronavirus pandemic.

- If the student met the application requirements, s/he was provided an emergency grant of \$600.00.

Platt College Los Angeles, LLC made its third distribution of CARES Act emergency grant funds on August 26, 2020 to students using the following methodology:

- Students with high degree of financial need, as reflected in their eligibility for Federal Pell Grant funds and their primary EFC (expected family contribution). The award amount was based on the reported primary EFC of each student's most recent 2019/2020 ISIR (Institutional Student Information Records) as of May 11, 2020.
- Students with a primary EFC (expected family contribution) of \$0 (zero) was provided an additional emergency grant of \$154.00.

#### **CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) and ARP section 2003(a)(4):**

Institutions participating in the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund grant programs have the responsibility of determining how grants will be distributed to students based on the statutory mandate that the institution prioritize students with exceptional need. Institutions must also develop a procedure to establish the amount of each student grant communication and instructions provided to students about the grant.

Platt College's total allocated funds under HEERF II & III was \$3,609,666:

- \$2,250,857 - HEERF II Allocations for Platt College under CRRSAA section 314(a)(1)
- \$1,358,809 - HEERF III Allocations for Platt College under ARP section 2003(a)(4)

To determine the eligible population of students and the amount of each grant, Platt College Los Angeles, LLC evaluated the degree of financial need of the entire student cohort during the funding period. Exceptional need was based on the reported primary EFC (expected family contribution) of each student's completed FAFSA and receipt of 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 ISIR (Institutional Student Information Records).

Planned Funding Allocation and Distribution:

November 2021 - 80% of funds (approx. \$2,887,200):

Awards will be prioritized to eligible students who met the following criteria:

- Actively enrolled as of September 28, 2021
- Students with a \$0 (zero) EFC as reported on their 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 ISIR

Student population = 800 students, award approximately \$3609 each student

UPDATED December 16, 2021:

Student population = 802 students, award approximately \$3609 each student

November/December 2021 - 20% of funds (approx. \$722,466):

1. Awards will be prioritized to eligible students who met the following criteria:
  - Actively enrolled as of September 28, 2021
  - Students with a valid EFC range on their 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 ISIR (Pell eligible range used):
    - o 2020-21 ISIR - EFC range between \$1 - \$5711
    - o 2021-22 ISIR - EFC range between \$1 - \$5846

Student population with eligible EFC = 411, award approximately \$1757\* each student

UPDATED December 16, 2021:

Student population with eligible EFC = 414, award approximately \$1727.66\* each student

2. Students with no ISIR on file will have an opportunity to complete a FAFSA at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. Deadline date to apply will be determined. Notification letter will be emailed and/or mailed to these students.

- Student population with no ISIR on file = 104 (50 Distance Education & 54 all other), award amount to be determined \*
  - o Zero EFC will be awarded \$3609
  - o Pell eligible EFC range award amount to be determined\*

UPDATED December 16, 2021:

Student population with no ISIR on file = 97

*\*Award amount will be determined once all ISIR's have been received by the determined deadline to submit a FAFSA.*

Other notes:

Students will only be eligible to receive one emergency grant under the Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant program.

Student population with ineligible EFC range = 262, award \$0

UPDATED December 16, 2021:

Student population with ineligible EFC range = 264

Total student population breakdown:

Criteria category	Student Population as of 9/28/21	UPDATED 12/16/21
Zero EFC	800	802
Eligible EFC Range	411	414
Ineligible EFC Range	262	264
No ISIR on file	104	97
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>1577</b>	<b>1577</b>

Questions about the Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant, please contact us by emailing [plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu](mailto:plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu)

### Student Notices

#### **CARES Act under Section 18004(a)(1):**

The following information was provided to all eligible Platt College Los Angeles, LLC students for whom CARES Act funds were distributed in the first round of emergency aid:

*You qualify for a special grant made possible through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The Platt College CARES Grant uses these funds to provide financial support to eligible students*

*To be eligible, a student must: have been enrolled at Platt College as of May 11, 2020, be currently enrolled at Platt College in a diploma or undergraduate program; be eligible to receive Title IV federal financial aid; and not be enrolled in a completely online program. This grant is intended to assist with expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. Typical expenses may include food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, childcare and/or other personal costs.*

*Eligible students will qualify for only one Platt College CARES Grant, and may not be combined with any other applications or awards related to this grant.*

*Across the college, we are committed to your continued educational success. It is my sincere hope that the Platt College CARES Grant will provide you with needed support at this time.*

*If you have questions about the Platt College CARES Grant, please contact us by emailing [plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu](mailto:plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu).*

For students who were not eligible for the first round of emergency grants, the following information was provided/requested in order to establish eligibility for emergency aid through application:

*You may qualify for a special grant made possible through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The Platt College CARES Grant uses these funds to provide financial support to eligible students.*

*To be eligible, a student must: have been enrolled at Platt College as of May 11, 2020, be currently enrolled in a diploma or undergraduate program; be eligible to receive Title IV federal financial aid; and not be enrolled in a completely online program. This grant is intended to assist with expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. Typical expenses may include food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, childcare and/or other personal costs.*

*This application permits students to apply for this grant. Campus administration will use the information you provide here to determine your eligibility for a grant and the amount for which you will be eligible. The amount of the grant will be determined once all qualifying awardees have been established. The timeline of disbursement of the grant will depend on the number of applications received. If you qualify to receive a Platt College CARES grant, you will receive a check, mailed to the address Platt College has on file for you, unless you provide an updated address below. Any grant funds issued through this program are intended to be used to cover the expenses identified in this letter.*

*Eligible students will qualify for only one grant, and may not be combined with any other applications or awards related to this Platt College CARES Grant.*

*If you have questions about the Platt College CARES Grant, please contact us by emailing [plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu](mailto:plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu)*

***Please fill out this information completely and submit by the deadline of June 9, 2020.***

***Have you incurred expenses due to disruptions caused by the Coronavirus pandemic? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_***

*If you answer yes, check all situations that apply to you:*

- 1. I am financially responsible for my food expenses*
- 2. I am financially responsible for my housing expenses*
- 3. I am financially responsible for expenses related to my course materials to attend school*
- 4. I am financially responsible for paying for technologies associated with attending online classes*
- 5. I am financially responsible for my own health care costs*
- 6. I have children and am financially responsible for child care expenses*

*I attest that all information is true and accurate, and I am requesting a one-time Platt College CARES Grant to help cover the cost of expenses incurred due to the Coronavirus pandemic. I understand that I will be unable to revise this request after submitting it, and I understand that the administration of my school will determine my eligibility for grant monies based on my responses to the questions above.*

For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact Evelyn Mancuso at [emancuso@plattcollege.edu](mailto:emancuso@plattcollege.edu)

**CRRSAA section 314(a)(1) and ARP section 2003(a)(4):**

The following information was provided to all eligible Platt College Los Angeles, LLC students for whom CRRSAA and ARP funds were distributed:

Dear Platt College Student,

We hope that you and your family are well in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

You qualify for a special grant made possible through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II & III as authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act (ARP). The Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant uses these funds to provide financial support to eligible students.

To be eligible, a student must have been actively enrolled at Platt College as of September 28, 2021. This grant is intended to assist exceptionally needy students to cover components of their cost of attendance at Platt, or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

You qualify for this grant based on your financial need, as reflected in your eligibility for Federal Pell Grant funds and your primary EFC (expected family contribution). The award amount is based on the reported primary EFC of your most recent 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 ISIR (Institutional Student Information Records) as of September 28, 2021. The grant funds provided are intended to be used to cover the expenses identified in this letter.

Eligible students will qualify for only one Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant. Across the college, we are committed to your continued educational success. It is our sincere hope that the Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant will provide you with needed support at this time.

Your Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant check is available to you now:

On ground students – pick up your check at the Student Accounts office at your campus. If you cannot pick up your check, please contact the Student Accounts representative at your campus to make other arrangements.

Distance Education students – a check has been mailed to you. If you have not received it by Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, please contact the Student Accounts representative at your campus.

If you have questions about the Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant, please contact us by emailing [plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu](mailto:plattcollegecares@plattcollege.edu).

For students who were not eligible for the first round of emergency grants, the following information was provided/requested in order to establish eligibility for emergency aid through FAFSA application:

Dear Platt College Student,

We hope that you and your family are well in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II & III as authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) has made a special grant possible. The Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant uses these funds to provide financial support to eligible students.

Our records indicate you have not completed a FAFSA for the 20/21 and/or 21/22 Award Year. To be considered for a Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant, you must complete a 2021/2022 FAFSA at [www.FAFSA.ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA.ed.gov) . Visit your financial aid department if you need assistance completing a FAFSA.

Eligibility and award amount is based on the EFC reported on your FAFSA. For more information, please visit our COVID-19 Information page – The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (CRRSAA/ARP) Information November 2021 tab for the eligibility requirements.

<https://plattcollege.edu/coronavirus/>

If you are enrolled in a certificate program not eligible for Federal Title IV financial aid, you could still be considered for this Platt College CRRSAA/ARP Grant, but will continue to not be eligible for Title IV financial aid.

The deadline to complete a 2021-2022 FAFSA is Thursday, December 9, 2021.