

**University of South Carolina – Sumter
 CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
 Report as of December 31, 2020
 FINAL**

Acknowledgement and Assurances

The University of South Carolina - Sumter acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the US Department of Education the Certification and Agreement for the CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students and assures 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.

CARES Act Funding

The University of South Carolina – Sumter received the following funding for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

CARES Act Funding	Total Allocation	Minimum Allocation to Emergency Financial Aid Grants	Institutional Portion
University of South Carolina - Sumter	\$ 705,800	\$ 352,900	\$ 352,900

Total Disbursement of Emergency Financial Aid Grants

CARES Act Funding	Total Disbursements to Date
University of South Carolina - Sumter	\$ 352,824

Total # of Students Eligible under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965

CARES Act Funding	Total # of Eligible Students
University of South Carolina - Sumter	442

Total # of Students receiving Emergency Financial Aid Grants - Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act

CARES Act Funding	Total # of Students Receiving Aid
University of South Carolina - Sumter	363

Methodology for Emergency Financial Aid Grants Under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act

Financial Aid Plans for Emergency Aid Distribution (Approved):

- Award \$900 to each Spring 2020 Pell Grant Recipient currently enrolled.
- Award \$500 to each remaining Title IV eligible student currently enrolled for Spring 2020.
- Exclude fluid populations such as visiting transient students and non-degree-seeking students enrolled for less than half-time during Spring 2020. Also exclude students enrolled in 100% online, per the CARES Act guidance.
- The award notice sent to each will explain the purpose of the CARES funds awarded to them and the process by which they can accept or decline them.
- Awards will be made to students via the already-established aid awarding process. These awards will be refunded regardless of any balance on the students' account, per statute. Refunds will be sent via direct deposit or paper check, depending upon the student's already-chosen method with the Bursar's Office.

Instructions, Direction and Guidance to Students about CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants

Information and direction provided to students about the CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants can be found on the Financial Aid website at the following link:

https://www.sc.edu/about/system_and_campuses/sumter/apply/financial_aid/index.php

https://www.sc.edu/about/system_and_campuses/palmetto_college/internal/financial_aid/index.php

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/grants/federal_grants/index.php