

CARES Act Higher Education Relief Fund

Through the Federal CARES Act, NMMI is proud to be able to do our part to support our students during the COVID19 pandemic.

The federal government recently passed the CARES Act, which allocates emergency relief funding for eligible college students across the country to address pressing needs of students due to the disruption of campus operations. NMMI is eligible to receive \$415,634 of which at least 50% will be awarded to our eligible student population.

If you are an NMMI student eligible to apply for federal financial aid and if NMMI's modified operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic has negatively impacted your personal financial situation you may be eligible. Although the money is funded by the federal government, individual colleges have been charged with managing the application, approval process, and distribution of funds.

Instructions and an application have been sent to 282 cadets we believe to be eligible. The application must be submitted for review. If you believe you are eligible and did not receive the email notification please immediately contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid@nmmi.edu.

Eligibility Requirements

You are eligible to receive funds if you meet the following requirements:

- Are eligible to complete or have completed the FAFSA for 2019-2020
- Were enrolled in Spring 2020 on or after March 13, 2020
- Are a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Have a high school diploma, GED or completed high school in an approved homeschool setting
- Registered with Selective Service – Males only (Age 18+)
- Have experienced economic hardship related to your educational experience
 - *(This could include food, housing, course materials, technology, etc.)*

Ineligible Students

You are not eligible to receive funds if you are one of the following:

Dual credit, international student, DACA student

About the Fund

Award amounts will be assessed based on 2019-2020 Federal Pell Grant award results as of 05/05/2020.

- Pell awardees - \$1,200.
- Non-Pell awardees - \$515.

To have the best opportunity to receive this funding, please apply immediately. We will continue awarding CARES Act funding at least until the 50% required allotment has been depleted.

Funds will be awarded by paper check mailed to the student applicant only.

As of 05/08/2020 69 cadets have been awarded \$57,455 in CARES Act funding.

As of 05/26/2020 119 cadets have been awarded \$94,850 in CARES Act funding.

As of 06/30/2020 210 cadets have been awarded \$162,950 in CARES Act funding.

As of 08/13/2020 219 cadets have been awarded \$168,955 in CARES Act funding.

FINAL UPDATE 8/19/2020:

222 CADETS HAVE BEEN AWARDED \$207,815.

The amounts were \$515 for non-Pell recipients and \$1200 for Pell recipients. A supplemental release of \$165 for each was done for the remaining funds after all 281 cadets were contacted multiple times.

Of the 281 qualified cadets: 222 were awarded, 43 indicated "no need" and 16 did not respond.

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