

Dear students,

Thank you for taking the time to complete the application for the CARES Act-Supplementary Funds Distribution.

A committee reviewed every single application to determine eligibility, viability of the requests, and an award amount. When reviewing, the committee was required to use the criteria for approval provided by the federal government within the CARES Act as well as the criteria established by the University.

Here are some, but not all, of the criteria for evaluation were:

- Students must have filed a FAFSA with the University, and have met enrollment guidelines to be eligible.
- Costs must have been incurred during the spring 2020 semester disruption of campus operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - This means, costs of housing, food, etc. that would have already been experienced if the campus remained open were not eligible.
 - This also means costs experienced after May 8, 2020 were not eligible.
- The University refunded partial costs of on-campus housing and/or dining, which was to be used to cover expenses caused by the closure of residence halls and dining facilities.
 - When determining amounts approved the refunded amounts for food were calculated against the requested amount for food, and refunded amounts for housing were calculated against the requested amount for housing.
- Students are only eligible to receive a total amount equal to, or below, the stated eligible costs.
 - This means, the amount awarded in the first round of grants and this supplementary round of grants cannot exceed the costs incurred. For example, if you demonstrated \$700 of eligible costs on this application, and received \$500 in the first round of grants in May, you would only be eligible for a maximum of \$200 additional dollars through this supplementary process.
- Applications must have been submitted prior to the Thursday, July 16 deadline by the close of business.
- As outlined on the application itself, incomplete applications were not considered.
 - This means, if adequate justifications for expenses were not provided, they could not be approved.

In total, we received over 450 applications, requesting roughly \$1.2 million. Unfortunately, the amount of remaining CARES Act funds was substantially less than the requested \$1.2 million. Given the limited funds available and the strict guidelines, you will not be receiving any additional funding via the CARES Act at this time.

Please note we understand these are very trying times and wish we could provide enough to cover everyone's need, but this is simply not possible. If more funds become available, you will be contacted through your campus email with more information.

As noted, the criteria for the CARES Act were strictly outlined by the federal government, and the review committee did not have the ability to stray beyond these guidelines.

If you have additional questions, please contact the Office of Student Life at studentlife@husson.edu or 207-941-7107.