

# CARES ACT HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND (HEERF) REPORTING – EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS TO STUDENTS

This pdf is provided in an effort to comply with the 30- and 45-day reporting requirements issued by the Secretary of the United States Department of Education on May 6, 2020. *(Updated 09/18/2020)*

1. East-West Healing Arts Institute (EWHAI) acknowledges that is signed and filed with the U.S. Department of Education, the recipients Funding Certification and Agreement Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act on April 10, 2020 via grants.gov. EWHAI assures that the intuition 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.
2. On July 29, 2020, EWHAI received from the Department of Education the total amount of funds of \$6,997 pursuant to the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
3. As of September 18, 2020 EWHAI distributed \$6,997 to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
4. The total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in the in the programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Acct of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a) (1) of the CARES act is 32.
5. As of September 18, 2020 the total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 19.
6. The method used by EWHAI School to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants was the Following:

## **Determine Eligible Students:**

- Must be enrolled in a EWHAI Program on 03/17/20 when Campus closed due to COVID-19.
- Must be eligible for Federal Student aid and have a FAFSA on file.
- Currently enrolled students must be making satisfactory Academic Progress.
- Must return the HEERF application sent to them.

## **Determining How Much:**

- Created list of students that submitted Application requesting HEERF Emergency Financial Aid, with corresponding EFC.
  - Eighteen students with EFC equal to or less than \$36,620 received \$375, and one student with an EFC of \$927,928 received \$247.
7. EWHAI has provided the following instructions, direction, or guidance to the students via email:
- From: Terri Gomez <noreply@orbund.com>*  
*Date: Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 8:28 PM*  
*Subject: TIME SENSITIVE~ Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund for Eligible EW Students*  
*Message: Dear EWHAI Student/Graduate:*  
*I hope this e-mail finds you all safe and well!*  
*Attached please find:*

1. A letter from Dr Zhou regarding the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund, and emergency financial aid that is available to eligible EWHAI Campus closure in March due to coronavirus.

2. Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Application~ Application Deadline Monday, August 17, 2020. Let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,  
Terri Gomez  
School Administrator

**Attached Letter:**

Dear EWHAI Student,

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**Criteria for student eligibility to receive an HEERF emergency financial aid grant:**

- Enrolled in an EWHAI Asian Bodywork & Therapeutic Massage Program that was disrupted by campus closing due to COVID-19 on 3/17 /20.
- If currently attending, maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress
- Be eligible to receive Title IV Federal Student Aid and a have completed a 2019-2020 FAFSA (or otherwise demonstrate eligibility)
- Be a U.S. citizen or non-eligible citizen
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- Be registered with Selective Service, if male.

Eligible students that wish to receive a HEERF emergency financial aid grant must fill out and return the attached application as soon as possible to EWHAI Madison Main Campus School Administrator, Terri Gomez, at [terri@acupressureschool.com](mailto:terri@acupressureschool.com). Application Deadline is Monday, August 17th, 2020.

EWHAI is committed to disburse the HEERF emergency financial aid grant monies to eligible students quickly, so time is of the essence. All applicants that have submitted an application by the August 17, 2020 deadline will receive an email within 10 days to inform of the application outcome, the amount of the HEERF emergency financial aid grant that has been awarded (if eligible), and when the checks will disbursed through the financial aid office and available to be picked up or mailed out. The maximum HEERF emergency financial aid grant amount available to eligible students is \$250.

For questions, e-mail: Madison Main Campus School Administrator Terri Gomez: [terri@acupressureschool.com](mailto:terri@acupressureschool.com) Milwaukee Campus Director Bruce Sun: [bruce.sun@acupressureschool.com](mailto:bruce.sun@acupressureschool.com).

In good health and high spirits,

  
Dr. Xiping Zhou

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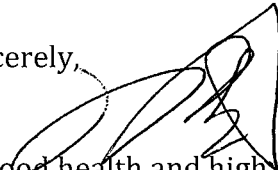
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Sincerely,



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## Cares Act Emergency Disbursement Application

**Application Deadline 8/17/20.**

**Please fill in the required information below.**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain how the COVID-19 pandemic and EWHAI Campus closure 3/17/20 has impacted your massage therapy education and progression towards graduation/ licensure or has resulted in unanticipated hardship in meeting living expenses such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, confirm that this above statement is true and accurately reflects my educational and financial situation during this pandemic. I understand that the HEERF emergency financial aid grant monies can only be used towards eligible expenses such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care I understand that if I make a false statement I could be denied any further assistance or be required to pay back funds made available from the Care Act Fund.

Signature:

Date: