Receiving Emergency Financial Aid During COVID-19

Signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 allocated funding to the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II, known as HEERF II. Atlanta's John Marshall law school will provide all funding from this relief fund in direct aid to students.

The aid designated for students in HEERF II aims to continue supporting students in 2021 who have been financially affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

Student Eligibility

Students who have exceptional financial need will be prioritized and must complete an application with the law school to receive the aid. Emails have been sent out to all active students via their Atlanta's John Marshall Law School email accounts.

Eligible students can use this grant aid to pay for any component of their college's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus pandemic, like tuition, food, housing, health care, mental health care or childcare.

Unlike the CARES Act funding, students do not have to be eligible under Title IV of the Higher Education Act to receive the new grants and are not required to complete a FAFSA. However, students in the following categories are not eligible to receive funding: Undocumented students, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) students, and international students.

Amounts May Vary and Will be Distributed Via Direct Deposit to Students

The exact amount an individual student receives from his or her institution will depend on the student's need, the total number of eligible students that apply and the amount of aid the law school has been allocated.

Upon receipt of the HEERF II funding from the federal government, the law school will work swiftly to identify eligible students and disburse funds to them. We will distribute money via direct deposit when possible or check when necessary.