



MARYVILLE
UNIVERSITY

**CARES Act Fund
Distribution Methodology
May 4, 2020**

As we determined how to distribute the CARES Act funds to students, Maryville sought to adhere to the U.S. Department of Education guidance to limit subjectivity, promote ease of management and reporting, prioritize need, and make funds widely available to eligible students.

On-campus Pell Eligible Residential Students - \$1,000

Although partial refunds were issued to residential students, students that received institutional aid for housing and meal plans did not recognize a refund, yet still incurred costs associated with the disruption to campus and the closure of our residence halls in March 2020.

We estimate that residential students incurred increased housing expenses associated with moving, utilities, and securing new housing for the remainder of the spring semester and the summer. We also anticipate that residential students incurred increased food expenses with the loss of access to their meal plan and incurred expenses related to technology, particularly around acquisition of internet service, computers and related technology due to loss of access to campus internet and computer lab services. These students likely incurred increased healthcare expenses with the loss of access to Maryville's Health and Wellness Office.

Because our Pell eligible residential students are identified as higher need students, we estimated the financial hardship and expenses incurred by this group to be the highest. This group is less likely to have had access to technology, food, and healthcare services prior to the pandemic and therefore would have incurred higher expenses to acquire these items. Additionally, this group is the most likely to have received institutional aid, which means the partial housing refund issued earlier this year would not have benefited this group.

On-campus Residential Students (TIV/Non-Pell) - \$800

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On-campus Pell Eligible Commuter Students - \$400

We estimate that commuter students incurred increased expenses as a result of the disruption to campus operations for the remainder of the spring semester and the summer related to technology, including related to internet, acquisition computers and related technology due to loss of access to campus internet and computer lab services. We also anticipate that commuter students incurred increased food expenses with the loss of access to their meal plan and incurred increased expenses related to childcare and healthcare, particularly due to the loss of access to Maryville's Office of Health and Wellness.

Because our Pell eligible commuter students are identified as higher need students, we estimated the financial hardship and expenses incurred by this group to be higher than non-Pell commuter students. Pell eligible students were less likely to have had access to technology, food, and healthcare services prior to the pandemic and therefore would have incurred higher expenses to acquire these items.

On-campus Commuter Students (TIV/Non-Pell) - \$300

We estimate that commuter students incurred increased expenses as a result of the disruption to campus operations for the remainder of the spring semester and the summer related to technology, including related to internet, acquisition computers and related technology due to loss of access to campus internet and computer lab services. We also anticipate that commuter students incurred increased food expenses with the loss of access to their meal plan and incurred increased expenses related to childcare and healthcare, particularly due to the loss of access to Maryville's Office of Health and Wellness.

Possible TIV Eligible Students - \$200

We are anticipating that some students who are potentially Title IV eligible will submit necessary information to qualify for Title IV funds and therefore become eligible for an emergency financial aid grant. We anticipate these students may have incurred increased expenses as a result of the disruption to campus operations for the remainder of the spring semester and the summer related to technology, including related to internet, acquisition computers and related technology due to loss of access to campus internet and computer lab services. We also anticipate that students incurred increased food expenses with the loss of access to their meal plan and incurred increased expenses related to childcare

and healthcare, particularly due to the loss of access to Maryville's Office of Health and Wellness. Some students may have also incurred housing related expenses, including moving, utilities, and securing new housing if they were a residential student.

Extraordinary Circumstances Fund - \$20,000

Maryville is reserving \$20,000 for eligible students who present with extraordinary circumstances that support a grant amount in excess of the maximum assigned to each category. Specifically, we will consider individuals whose financial circumstances have significantly changed and have experienced extreme financial hardship as a result of the coronavirus pandemic and incurred expenses above the amounts assigned to each category as a result of the disruption to campus operations.

Process

Eligible and potentially eligible students will receive an email providing them with information on the CARES Act funding including eligibility requirements and the process for requesting funds. Students will complete an online request form and attest that they have incurred qualifying expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Student eligibility is based on the 19/20 FAFSA, previous Title IV eligibility at Maryville University, or completion of a supplemental Maryville University document where students certify their Title IV eligibility. Students must meet Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements and cannot exceed their maximum time frame for eligibility.

Funds will be disbursed to students through direct deposit or paper check. Generally, funds will be disbursed within 3-5 business days of receipt of the request form; however, some request forms may require additional review and processing time.