

GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE
ARP Quarterly Report: EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS TO STUDENTS
March 30, 2022
PR/AWARD NUMBER P425E201525

1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Gustavus Adolphus College assures that it will use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the American Rescue Plan Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

Gustavus Adolphus College has received \$2,625,435 from the department, pursuant to Supplemental Agreement (ALN 84.425E) ((a)(1) Student Aid Portion) of the American Rescue Plan Act.

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).

As of June 17, 2022, the College has paid \$2,625,435 in emergency financial aid grants to students under ARP (a)(1) program.

4. The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

The College estimates that the number of students eligible to receive an emergency financial aid grant under ARP (a)(1) is 2,242.

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

As of June 17, 2022, the total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under ARP (a)(1) is 2,245.

*Please note, we are submitting a 2022 Q2 report because we found a student who had been paid twice with HEERF funds in fall of 2021. To correct this we did the following:

- 1.) Moved the extra \$1,650 off the grant and covered it internally.
- 2.) Reviewed FAFSAs that had been submitted since December 2021 and found one student who would have qualified for the full funding from the spring distribution, paying them \$1,600.
- 3.) Used the additional \$50 to cover the \$225 that was paid to students and covered by internal funds, which made this new amount \$175.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

Gustavus Adolphus College American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) - Student Allocation Method
10/13/2021: Curt Kowaleski, Kirk Carlson, Kelly Waldron, Sarah Bridges, Megan Fillbrandt

Decision Made:

- Used Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as a basis for allocation.
 - For returning students: distributions of these funds were based upon their EFC as reflected in their 2020-21 FAFSA.
 - For new students: distributions of these funds were based upon their EFC as reflected in their 2021-2022 FAFSA.
 - For students ineligible to file a FAFSA: distributions of these funds were calculated based on financial information provided to the College.
- Every student but those who are enrolled in Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) were calculated in the allocation.

Allocation Method for Student Distribution*

EFC Amount	# of Students	Amount of Funds	Total
\$0 - \$5,701 (Pell)	556	\$1,650	\$917,400
\$5,702 - \$15,530 (State)	394	\$830	\$327,020
\$15,531 - \$20,897	168	\$410	\$68,880
	1,118		\$1,313,300

*Information downloaded from Gustavus system 10/6/2021.

- The 1st tier (\$0 - \$5,701) are students who are eligible to receive a Pell grant. These students have extremely high need.
- The 2nd tier (\$5,702 - \$15,530) are students who are unable to receive a Pell grant, but would qualify to receive a state grant.
- The 3rd tier (\$15,531 - \$20,897) are students who do not qualify for a Pell grant or additional state grant, but still have need as their contribution is approximately 1/3 of the cost of attendance.

Half the student population will receive some type of aid through this allocation system.

Approval of GAC ARP Student Allocation Method
Curt Kowaleski (CFO, VP of Finance and Treasurer)

Signature:

Date:

Curtis J. Kowaleski
10/13/21

Gustavus Adolphus College American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) - Student Allocation Fall Phase 2
Distribution Method

10/20/2021: Curt Kowaleski, Kirk Carlson, Kelly Waldron, Sarah Bridges, Megan Fillbrandt

Decision Made:

- In the coming days, we will review all 2021-2022 FAFSAs for non-first year and transfer students and compare their new EFC to last year's. They will receive ARP funds if they are now either:
 - A.) eligible for funds or
 - B.) eligible for additional funds beyond what they received during Phase 1
- On November 1, we will pull the data again to determine who submitted an updated FAFSA and is now eligible for adjusted funding.
- On December 1, we will pull the data once more to determine who submitted an updated FAFSA and is now eligible for adjusted funding.

Distributions of additional funds will be made based on the criteria established in the first round, which can be seen below:

EFC Amount	Amount of Funds
\$0 - \$5,701 (Pell)	\$1,650
\$5,702 - \$15,530 (State)	\$830
\$15,531 - \$20,897	\$410

- The 1st tier (\$0 - \$5,701) are students who are eligible to receive a Pell grant. These students have extremely high need.
- The 2nd tier (\$5,702 - \$15,530) are students who are unable to receive a Pell grant, but would qualify to receive a state grant.
- The 3rd tier (\$15,531 - \$20,897) are students who do not qualify for a Pell grant or additional state grant, but still have need as their contribution is approximately 1/3 of the cost of attendance.

Approval of GAC ARP Student Allocation Method
Curt Kowaleski (CFO, VP of Finance and Treasurer)

Signature:
Date:

Curt Kowaleski
10/21/21

Breakdown of Second & Third Distribution

Tier	Number of students	Distribution Amount	Total
2-1	42	\$820	\$34,440
3-1	5	\$1,240	\$6,200
3-2	32	\$420	\$13,440
4-1	16 15	\$1,650	\$26,400 \$24,750
4-2	25	\$830	\$20,750
4-3	30	\$410	\$12,300
	150 149		\$113,530 \$111,880

*An additional ~~71~~ 70 students received funding through this round of distributions

Summary of Fall 2021 Distributions

EFC Amount	# of Students	Amount of Funds	Total
\$0 - \$5,701 (Pell)	619 618	\$1650	\$1,021,350 \$1,019,700
\$5,702 - \$15,530 (State)	409	\$830	\$339,470
\$15,531 - \$20,897	161	\$410	\$66,010
	1189 1188		\$1,426,830 \$1,425,180

Spring 2022 Allocation

Gustavus Adolphus College American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) - Student Allocation Method
Spring 2022

2/28/2022: Curt Kowaleski, Kirk Carlson, Kelly Waldron, Sarah Bridges, Megan Fillbrandt

Decision Made: Use Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as a basis for allocation.

- EFC is a federally defined amount based on the student's submitted FAFSA

Allocation Method for Student Distribution*

EFC Amount	# of Students	Amount of Funds	Total
\$0 - \$5,701 (Pell)	517 518	\$1,600	\$827,200 \$828,800
\$5,702 - \$15,530 (State)	378	\$800	\$302,400
\$15,531 - \$20,897	161	\$430	\$69,230
	1,056 1,057		\$1,198,830 ** \$1,200,430

*Information downloaded from Gustavus system 2/16/2022.

**The additional \$225 will be covered by other COVID related funding. -- As of 6/30/2022, this new amount is now \$175

- The 1st tier (\$0 - \$5,701) are students who are eligible to receive a Pell grant. These students have extremely high need.
- The 2nd tier (\$5,702 - \$15,530) are students who are unable to receive a Pell grant, but would qualify to receive a state grant.
- The 3rd tier (\$15,531 - \$20,897) are students who do not qualify for a Pell grant or additional state grant, but still have need as their contribution is approximately 1/3 of the cost of attendance.

Half the student population will receive some type of aid through this allocation system.

Approval of GAC ARP Student Allocation Method
Curt Kowaleski (CFO, VP of Finance and Treasurer)

Signature:
Date:

Curtis J. Kowaleski
3/11/22

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

As of December 31, 2021, the following information was provided by the institution to students:



July 23, 2021

Dear Gustie,

Gustavus Adolphus College has received funding through the federal American Response Rescue Plan (ARP) to offer students funds to assist with education-related costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Students who receive funds may use these funds for their cost of attendance or emergency costs that arise due to COVID-19, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

For returning students: distributions of these funds will be based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2020-21 FAFSA. If you received support last year, it is likely you will qualify again this year.

For new students: distributions of these funds will be based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2021-2022 FAFSA.

For students unable to submit a FAFSA: distributions of these funds will be based on your financial status as calculated by the Gustavus Office of Financial Aid using financial information you have provided previously.

Final calculations for these funds will be determined on September 21, 2021. Distributions will occur in mid-October through direct deposit (ACH).

The Gustavus Office of Financial Aid will be conducting ongoing reviews of student financial needs. If you have a change in your financial circumstances, please contact the Office of Financial Aid to discuss options. Future distributions will require completion of the 2021-2022 FAFSA or other current financial records as requested by the Office of Financial Aid.

Contact Information for Gustavus Financial Aid:

Jesus Hernandez Mejia
Campus Center 208
jhernan2@gustavus.edu
507-933-7687

Jesus Hernandez Mejia
Dean of Financial Aid

Make your life count.®

800 West College Avenue | St. Peter, Minnesota 56082-1498 | 507-933-8000 | gustavus.edu

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Drew Johnson** <drewjohnson@gustavus.edu>

Date: Tue, Jul 27, 2021 at 4:06 PM

Subject: Direct Deposit Sign Up - MyGustavus

To:

Good afternoon.

You are receiving this email because you may be eligible to receive money that Gustavus has received through the latest government stimulus package.

Please update your bank account information within MyGustavus at the link below to ensure that your funds are deposited directly into your account. The link is secured through Gustavus Duo Two Factor Authentication. See attached for instructions.

<http://my.gustavus.edu/>

Complete this as soon as possible to ensure your direct deposit is processed in a timely manner.

If you have any questions please let me know - thank you,

--

Drew Johnson

Assistant Controller

Finance Office

Gustavus Adolphus College

800 W College Ave

St. Peter, MN 56082

507-933-7201

drewjohnson@gustavus.edu

<https://gustavus.edu/profiles/drewjohnson>

October 15, 2021

Dear Gustie,

Gustavus Adolphus College has received funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) to offer students funds to help cover costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are eligible to receive funds and have submitted your direct deposit details, you will receive an email from Drew Johnson tomorrow listing your amount. If you are eligible and have not submitted these details you will receive a check in campus mail. You may use these funds for your cost of attendance or emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Distributions of these funds are based upon the following criteria:

For returning students: distribution of these funds was based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2020-21 FAFSA. If you received support last year, it is likely you qualified again this year.

For new students: distribution of these funds was based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2021-2022 FAFSA.

For students unable to submit a FAFSA: distribution of these funds was based on your financial status as calculated by the Gustavus Office of Financial Aid using financial information you have provided previously.

FAFSA EFC	Amount of Grant
0 - 5,701	\$1,650
5,702 - 15,530	\$830
15,531 - 20,897	\$410

To look up your EFC:

- Log into MyGustavus at my.gustavus.edu or WebAdvisor/Financial Aid
- Click on Financial Information on the drop down menu on the left side bar
- Click on Financial Aid
- Select Award Year noted above
- Click on Award Letter- scroll to see your EFC

Your funds will be disbursed to you on October 18.

Please contact the Financial Aid Office if you have any questions.

Thank you

Jesus Hernandez Mejia

-

Jesus Hernandez Mejia

Jesus Hernandez Mejia <jheman2@gustavus.edu>
To: Jesus Hernandez Mejia <jheman2@gustavus.edu>

Mon, Nov 1, 2021 at 10:00 AM

Dear Gusties,

As we approach the middle of fall semester, we want to make sure you are all aware of a provision that allows our college's financial aid office to consider changes to your financial situation when determining the amount of federal and state financial aid available to you.

We know that some of our students and families have experienced a change to their financial situation during the Covid-19 pandemic. Students with documented "special circumstances" such as a reduction in income or unemployment could be eligible for an adjustment to their federal or state financial aid. For example, some employers reduced work hours, furloughed employees, or temporarily or permanently closed their businesses that reduced student or family income. Some students or their family members may not have been able to work due to illness or incurred additional health care expenses.

If you have experienced a negative change to your financial situation that differs from what you provided on the FAFSA, the financial aid office may be able to adjust the amount of federal or state financial aid you receive. Other circumstances may include separation or divorce, death of a family member, reduction or loss of child support, use of pension or retirement plan funds to help cover expenses, or other circumstances you would like to discuss with your financial aid counselor.

Please look at our appeal [form](#) and see if any of the special circumstances apply to your family. If any of them apply, complete, and submit the form along with the appropriate documentation as highlighted at the top of the form and in each category. We will review your appeal and get back to you with a response. We appreciate your patience since these require time for us to review each one individually.

<https://gustavus.edu/financialaid/forms.php>

Please be sure to include your full name, student ID number, and phone number.

Sincerely,

Jesus Hernandez Mejia

--

Jesus Hernandez Mejia

Dean of Financial Aid
Gustavus Adolphus College
(507)933-7687 Office
(507)933-7727 Fax

Send Documents to our Office through [Secure Share](#)

December 6, 2021

Dear Gustie,

Gustavus Adolphus College has received funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) to offer students funds to help cover costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are eligible to receive funds and have submitted your direct deposit details, you will receive an email from Drew Johnson tomorrow listing your amount. If you are eligible and have not submitted these details you will receive a check in campus mail. You may use these funds for your cost of attendance or emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Distributions of these funds are based upon the following criteria:

For returning students: distribution of these funds was based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2020-21 FAFSA. If you received support last year, it is likely you qualified again this year.

For new students: distribution of these funds was based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2021-2022 FAFSA.

For students unable to submit a FAFSA: distribution of these funds was based on your financial status as calculated by the Gustavus Office of Financial Aid using financial information you have provided previously.

FAFSA EFC	Amount of Grant
0 - 5,701	\$1,650
5,702 - 15,530	\$830
15,531 - 20,897	\$410

To look up your EFC:

- Log into MyGustavus at my.gustavus.edu or WebAdvisor/Financial Aid
- Click on Financial Information on the drop down menu on the left side bar
- Click on Financial Aid
- Select Award Year noted above
- Click on Award Letter- scroll to see your EFC

Your funds will be disbursed to you on December 9.

Please contact the Financial Aid Office if you have any questions.

Thank you

Jesus Hernandez Mejia



December 13, 2021

Dear Gustie,

Gustavus Adolphus College has received funding through the federal American Response Rescue Plan (ARP) to offer students funds to assist with education-related costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Students who receive funds may use these funds for their cost of attendance or emergency costs that arise due to COVID-19, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Distributions of these grants are based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2021-2022 FAFSA.

Final calculations for these funds will be determined on February 14, 2022. Distributions will occur in mid-March through direct deposit (ACH). This will be the last round of distributions made to students for this academic year.

Contact Information for Gustavus Financial Aid:

Jesus Hernandez Mejia
Campus Center 208
jhernan2@gustavus.edu
507-933-7687

Jesus Hernandez Mejia

American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) Funds Distribution Information

Jesus Hernandez Mejia <jheman2@gustavus.edu>
To: Jesus Hernandez Mejia <jheman2@gustavus.edu>
Bcc:

Wed, Mar 2, 2022 at 11:18 AM

March 2, 2022

Dear Gustie,

Gustavus Adolphus College has received funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) to offer students funds to help cover costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are eligible to receive funds and have submitted your direct deposit details, you will receive an email from Drew Johnson tomorrow listing your amount. If you are eligible and have not submitted these details you will receive a check in campus mail. You may use these funds for your cost of attendance or emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Distributions of these grants are based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as reflected in your 2021-2022 FAFSA.

FAFSA EFC	Amount of Grant
0 - 5,701	\$1,600
5,702 - 15,530	\$800
15,531 - 20,897	\$430

To look up your EFC:

- Log into MyGustavus at my.gustavus.edu or WebAdvisor/Financial Aid
- Click on Financial Information on the drop down menu on the left side bar
- Click on Financial Aid
- Select Award Year noted above
- Click on Award Letter- scroll to see your EFC

Your funds will be disbursed to you on March 7.

This will be the last round of distributions made to students for this academic year. No additional payments will be made.

Please contact the Financial Aid Office if you have any questions.

Thank you

Jesus Hernandez Mejia

COVID Relief Funds - disbursement

1 message

Sarah Bridges <sbridges@gustavus.edu>

Mon, May 23, 2022 at 3:45 PM

To:

Cc: Megan Fillbrandt <mfillbrandt@gustavus.edu>

Dear

Gustavus Adolphus College has received funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) to offer students funds to help cover costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. We have determined that your revised Expected Family Contribution (EFC) now makes you eligible for funds this spring. If you have submitted your direct deposit details, you will receive an email from Drew Johnson tomorrow listing your amount. If you are eligible and have not submitted these details you will receive a check in campus mail. You may use these funds for your cost of attendance or emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Distributions of these grants are based upon your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).

FAFSA EFC	Amount of Grant
0 - 5,701	\$1,600
5,702 - 15,530	\$800
15,531 - 20,897	\$430

This will be the last round of distributions made to students for this academic year. No additional payments will be made.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Best,

Sarah Bridges

Sarah A. Bridges, PhD
Assistant Dean of Research
Director, Research and Sponsored Programs
Gustavus Adolphus College
Saint Peter, Minnesota
507-933-7049