



CARES Act Summary

Nazareth College of Rochester received federal funding under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. These emergency financial aid grants were administered to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus. Eligible expenses included food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and child care. Nazareth received a limited amount of funding to distribute to students.

Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students — CARES Act Fund Reporting

1. Nazareth College of Rochester has signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement. Nazareth will use no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. Nazareth College of Rochester has received \$1,058,626.00 from the Department of Education pursuant to our Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
3. As of 09/30/2020, Nazareth has distributed \$1,057,655.00 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
4. Nazareth College of Rochester has 2,444 students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
5. As of 09/30/2020, Nazareth has distributed Emergency Financial Aid Grants to 2,442 students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

6. Pell eligibility was used to determine how much funds students received. Below are the tiers with the amounts. Amounts were awarded in a batch process and students did not have to apply through an application.

- i. Pell eligible - Award \$586.50 for the term
- ii. Non-Pell eligible - Award \$391.00 for the term

7. Instructions, directions, and guidance provided to students regarding the Emergency Financial Aid Grants:

CARES Act Eligibility Requirements

Nazareth College received funding from the CARES Act to assist students who were affected financially due to the disruption of campus operations. Our students received these emergency funds because they met a set of criteria based on guidance from the U.S. Department of Education. All funding disbursed to students should be used for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations.

Students who had a FAFSA on file by March 13, 2020 for the 2019-2020 aid year were automatically awarded grants based on the tiers below and the below eligibility requirements.

Pell eligible = \$586.50 award
Non-Pell eligible = \$391.00 award

Students automatically awarded the emergency grant were considered for funding if they meet ALL of the following eligibility requirements:

- Have not already received emergency financial aid grant funds from the CARES Act
- Completed a 2019-2020 FAFSA Application
- Meet Title IV eligibility requirements, to include but not limited to:
 - U.S. Citizenship or Eligible Noncitizen

- Valid Social Security Number
 - Registration with Selective Service if required
 - Have a high school diploma, GED, or have completed a high school in an approved homeschool setting
- Were enrolled at Nazareth College for Spring Term 2020 at the time of course disruption due to the coronavirus
 - Were not solely enrolled in all online courses for Spring Term 2020 prior to March 13, 2020

Email sent 6/5/2020 to students

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, on March 27, 2020 Congress approved the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"). In an effort to stimulate the economy and assist college students during this difficult time, emergency financial aid grants have been allocated for students who meet strict eligibility guidelines as established by the United States Department of Education (USDOE). **You are receiving this notice because you are eligible to receive a CARES Act grant. No application is necessary; funds will be disbursed over the next few weeks.**

Nazareth students meeting the USDOE Title IV eligibility requirements for the spring 2020 semester and who had a valid 2019-20 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file as of March 13, 2020 will receive a CARES Act grant. A few examples of Title IV eligibility requirements include:

- Enrolled in a Title IV eligible degree or certificate program
- Meet satisfactory academic progress
- Have a valid Social Security number
- Not currently in default or owe money on a Title IV loan
- Be a U.S. citizen or national, permanent resident, or other eligible noncitizen
- Have Selective Service registration verified
- No outstanding federal verification, C-Flag, or loan documentation

CARES Act grants will be made to eligible students consistent with USDOE guidance.

Distributions will be based on a tiered approach with students with the greatest need, identified as Pell eligible, being awarded a higher amount. Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible.

- **Non-Pell eligible students meeting the eligibility criteria will each receive \$391.00**
- **Pell eligible students meeting the eligibility criteria will each receive \$586.50**

Wondering which amount you will receive? Log into your [My Financial Aid @ Naz](#) (under the Awards tab) to see if you received a Pell Grant in 2019-20.

Grants will be processed within 3 weeks following Nazareth's standard Title IV refunding process. You will receive either an ACH or paper check based on the payment method you have selected in Nelnet. If you have not selected a payment method please follow the [Nazareth Refunds](#) link. Direct deposit (ACH) is the fastest way to receive these funds.

By accepting the funds, you are confirming that you will use the funds for expenses you have incurred or will incur related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care or childcare costs. If you have not incurred expenses related to disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus and choose not to receive these funds, please notify Student Accounts at stuaccts@naz.edu by Wednesday, June 10th.

Questions about eligibility may be directed to the Financial Aid office at Finaid@naz.edu.

If you do not receive your payment by July 10, 2020, please contact Student Accounts at stuaccts@naz.edu