

To the Campus Community:

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted our nation at all levels. While much of the response has focused on health and safety, the country's financial welfare is an integral element of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act recently passed by Congress.

As a part of the CARES Act, the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund has made available financial resources for the direct relief of students and to offset university operating losses and additional expenses related to the COVID-19 response. In total, Cal State San Bernardino anticipates receiving \$26.2 million, to be split evenly between direct relief to the students and supporting university operating costs. In addition to the CARES Act \$13.1 million in direct support to our students, CSUSB will be allocating an additional \$600,000 in institutional direct support for students, bringing the total student awards to nearly \$14 million.

Working closely with campus leadership, a distribution formula for degree-seeking students has been developed that weighs several factors including full-time/part-time status and each student's household income. The emergency relief funds will be delivered in a one-time disbursement, with most students receiving between \$200 and \$900.

For students with direct deposit information already on file with the university, the emergency relief funds will be electronically transmitted to their account. For all other students, a paper check will be mailed to the address on file. **If you need to update your mailing address information with CSUSB, please do so by going to the My Personal Information tab in MyCoyote by the close of business on Thursday, April 30.**

We anticipate students will receive these emergency payments by May 15.

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