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## CARES ACT – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Dear Tricoci University Students:

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, the U.S. Secretary of Education approved the funding of emergency relief grants for postsecondary students impacted by Coronavirus under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). These grants have now been funded and Tricoci University will begin distributing them early next month. The use of these emergency financial aid grants is governed by Sec. 18004(c) of the CARES Act that states, in part, that students are to use these funds for expenses "related to the disruption of campus operations due to the Coronavirus, including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, healthcare, and child care."

Please note that only students who are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act (HEA) may receive emergency financial aid grants. If you have a Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) on file, then you are Title IV eligible and will be receiving a grant assuming you are actively enrolled as of May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. If you do not have a FAFSA on file, you may still be eligible for a grant if you meet the requirements under Section 484 of the HEA which includes but is not limited to the following: U.S. citizenship or eligible noncitizen; a valid Social Security Number, registration with the Selective Service; and a high school diploma, GED or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting. If you are unsure of whether you are Title IV eligible or have a valid FAFSA on file, please contact your financial aid coordinator ([fastaff@tricociuniversity.edu](mailto:fastaff@tricociuniversity.edu)).

We will begin mailing checks to students early next month. The amount of the check will be determined by the amount of funds allocated to each campus, divided by the number of actively enrolled students as of May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This CARES Act Grant is not dependent on being enrolled full-time or part-time and each active student on a campus will receive the same award amount. We will be reserving a portion of the funds allocated in a reserve account for extraordinary circumstances or for additional allocation at a future date. If you believe you have been impacted in an extraordinary manner, please reach out to your campus director for additional details. Checks will be mailed to the current address in our student database. If you have recently moved or would like the check mailed to a different address, please contact your campus management team.

We are delighted to be able to provide you with these emergency relief funds in order to help offset expenses associated with the closure of our campuses due to the Coronavirus.

Nate Swanson  
Chief Executive Officer

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