



## **620 POLICY – Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Program**

### **620.1 Statement of Policy**

The Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant is awarded to a student whose parent or guardian died as a result of performing military service in Iraq or Afghanistan and the student is not receiving a Federal Pell Grant only because of that program's need requirement. The Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant award amount provided to an eligible student for an award year may not exceed the maximum Federal Pell Grant for that award year with adjustments, if necessary, for things such as the student's enrollment status and the student's Title IV cost of attendance (COA) used to determine financial need.

The Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant is not based on an eligible student's financial need nor is it considered estimated financial assistance that reduces the amount of any other Federal student aid that the student may also qualify for. Effective with the 2012-2013 award year, the duration of a student's eligibility to receive an Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant is limited to a total of 12 semesters (or its equivalent).

The criteria and procedures to be followed in implementing this policy are published in the Procedures section of the Policies and Procedures Manual.

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## 620 PROCEDURE – Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Program

### **620.1:1 Procedure for Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Program**

Redlands Community College follows a process to ensure only eligible students receive funds under the Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Program and award adjustments are made accurately and timely.

Redlands Community College follows a process to identify the ISIRs that contain the DoD Match Flag utilizing data from the student information system. If a student self-reports their eligibility to an enrollment staff member, the staff member will contact the financial aid office so that a verification of eligibility can take place.

For applicants with a Pell-Eligible EFC –

- Redlands Community College follows a process to ensure that all Title IV aid is awarded based on an EFC of zero, without regard to the student’s calculated EFC.

For applicants with an EFC that is not Pell-Eligible –

- Redlands Community College follows a process to ensure students are eligible to receive an award under the Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Program, without regard to the calculated EFC. The amount of the Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Program award is the same as the maximum Pell Grant for the award year, adjusted for the student’s enrollment status and cost of attendance. All other Title IV aid must be awarded based on the student’s calculated EFC.

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