## CRRSAA/HEERF\* II and ARP/HEERF\* III Funds \*(Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds) Quarterly Reporting Ending September 30, 2021

NOTE: Revised 1/6/2022 to combine HEERF II and HEERF II quarterly reporting.

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA)/HEERF II (signed into law December 27, 2020) and the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021 /HEERF III (signed into law March 11, 2021) provided funds which must be used to provide financial aid grants to ALL students (inclusive of distance education). These funds may be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance, emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), child care and/or exceptional need.

## **Eligibility Criteria:**

Eligible students as defined by the U.S. Department of Education must:

- Enrolled as a student on or after the effective date of the national disaster declaration (March 13, 2020)
- Prioritize students with exceptional need (such as Pell Grant eligible but not required)
- prioritize domestic undergraduate students in awarding these grants, but graduate students are eligible nonetheless

NOTE: In May 2021, the U.S. Department of Education reversed its prior exclusion of DACA and international students retroactive to March 13, 2020. Therefore, ALL students enrolled at BSHP during the Spring 2021 semester were notified via email to apply.

## **Application Process:**

Eligible students were notified via email on how to complete a questionnaire to certify they incurred expenses (as defined above) and to: a) request the \$600 grant be directly paid to the student or b) authorize the school to apply the funds toward a current balance due or upcoming semester. The deadline to submit a completed questionnaire to receive \$600 HEERF II/III grant was July 18, 2021. However, BSHP will continue to solicit student replies in order to provide funding to as many students as possible in the next quarter.

## **CARES Act Disclosures**

- 1. Baptist Health System School of Health Professions (BSHP) acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- 2. The total amount of funds that the institution is authorized to receive from the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs is \$742,228.
- 3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of this report is \$340,200.

- 4. The estimated total number of students at the institution that were eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs at BSHP was 730 (as of July 12, 2021).
- 5. The total number of students at BSHP who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of this report is 567.
- 6. The method(s) used by BSHP to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs was based on:
  - a. ALL students enrolled at BSHP 1/3/2021 thru 7/12/2021.
  - b. The grant amount was based on the second stimulus payment of \$600.
- 7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants. Instructions, directions and guidance can be found in the "Eligibility Criteria" and "Application Process" sections listed above.

NOTE: The U.S. Department of Education acknowledges that because it never affirmatively established HEERF II reporting requirements, it is extending the deadline by which institutions must submit retroactive reports for HEERF II for the first quarter of 2021 (January through March) to the end of the second calendar quarter, which is June 30, 2021.

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