

Shepherd University Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II)– Student

Quarterly Reporting – June 30, 2021

On December 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed the CRRSAA (P.L. 116-260), which continues to provide emergency relief funds to students. The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), found in Section 18004 of the CARES Act, provides funding to institutions of higher education “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.” This report provides details on the second award Shepherd University received under the HEERF, the funds for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Award No. P425E200948.

CERTIFICATION

Shepherd University signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement on April 13, 2020. This certification was a continuation of the first round of HEERF funds. In accordance with Section 314(d)(5) of CRRSAA, Shepherd will provide the same amount in financial aid grants to students from the new CRRSAA funds that is was require to provide under the original CARES Act Student portion.

AWARD

Shepherd University will receive an additional \$1,339,808 from the Department of Education pursuant to Section 314(d)(5) of CRRSAA.

FUNDS DISTRIBUTED

As of June 30, 2021, Shepherd University has distributed \$1,339,808, or 100%, HEERF II CRRSAA – Student Portion under Section 314(d)(5) CRRSAA.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Shepherd University has an estimate of 3,208 students potentially eligible to participate in programs. As of June 30, 2021, Shepherd has distributed Emergency Financial Aid Grants to 1,696 students under Section 314(d)(5) of the CRRSAA.

DETERMINING STUDENTS ELIGIBILITY

HEERF II - CRRSAA

1. Tiers representing students receiving PELL and EFC levels for Spring term 2021 are used to determine how much of an award a student received. Below are the tiers.
 - a. Tier 1 all PELL recipients regardless of EFC received \$1,000 award.
 - b. Tier 2 all non-PELL students with a 0 EFC received \$1,000 award.
 - c. Tier 3 all non-PELL students with a 1 – 5711 EFC (Pell Grant ceiling) received \$750 award.
 - d. Tier 4 all non-PELL students with a 5,712 – 11,000 EFC (WV Higher Education Grant ceiling) received \$750 award.
 - e. Tier 5 all non-PELL students with an 11,001 – 33,224 EFC (maximum Cost of Attendance) received \$500 award.
2. On May 31, 2021 it was decided to offer this award to students receiving PELL and EFC levels for Summer 2021 term and that did not receive any HEERF funds in the past. The above tiers were used until all CRRSAA funds were exhausted.

INSTRUCTIONS/DIRECTIONS GIVEN TO STUDENTS

Students enrolled spring 2021 were not required to take action to receive HEERF II funds. As of data captured on 03/31/2021, all enrolled students with a valid EFC produced by the 2020-2021 FAFSA were considered in the tiered awarding plan described above.