Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Report – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Update: December 30, 2021

- 1. The institution declined to receive funds from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III).
- 2. All funds received from HEERF I and II have been disbursed as reported below.

Update: 4/19/2021

- The institution received \$123,963 from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) as authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020.
- 2. On March 24, 2021, the institution began to disburse funds at a maximum of \$1500 each to a total of 91 eligible students. The students were required to submit a request for funds up to the maximum amount based on needs that impact on their education.
- 3. The total amount disbursed to students was \$124,654.

Update: 1/5/2021

- 1. The total amount of funds that the institution received in year 2020 from the Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students was \$119,432, and to the institution was \$119,431, for an overall total of \$238,863.
- 2. The total amount of emergency financial aid grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act was \$168,000, of which \$119,432 was from the students' portion and \$48,568 from the institution's portion.
- 3. The balance of the institutional portion after fund distribution to students was \$70,863. This amount was used by the institution to purchase an additional high fidelity manikin and virtual simulation products to accommodate the increased use of simulation during the pandemic.
- 4. <u>Attachment D</u> is the form used by students to request relief funds.

July 27, 2020

Xavier College School of Nursing, OPE ID: 0421190 received education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Public Law No: 116-136. This Fund Report applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students. The institution appreciates that Congress and the President have made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's ("Department") Electronic Announcement of May 6, 2020.¹ For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, **please contact Lissa Nakamura, Chief Financial Officer**.

- The institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement
 [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. The institution used \$119,432 of the
 \$119,432, or 100% of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to
 provide emergency financial aid grants to students. The institution used an additional
 amount of \$48,568 from the institutional portion of the grant to distribute to the students.
- 2. The total amount of funds that the institution has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is **\$119,432**.
- 3. The total amount of emergency financial aid grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is **\$168,000.**
- 4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and thus eligible to receive emergency financial aid grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, as of the date of this Fund Report is **105**.
- 5. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is **105**.
- 6. The methods used by the institution to determine which students receive emergency financial aid grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act are provided in <u>Attachment A</u>.
- 7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants are provided in <u>Attachment B</u>.
- 8. <u>Attachment C</u> is the form used by students to request relief funds.

¹ <u>See</u>: https://ifap.ed.gov/electronic-announcements/050620HigherEdEmergencyReliefFundRptg

Attachment A

Due to state directives and mandates related to the covid 19 pandemic, students at Xavier College had to overcome additional challenges and disruptions in their educational program. The College determined every student is in similar circumstances as they all experienced significant, negative impact of pandemic-related mandates, which changed almost daily or weekly between March and April 2020, stretching their ability to meet requirements of their program. Therefore, the College decided to distribute an equal amount of funds to each student from HEERF. The school determined that \$1600 per student would help the students in their school-related needs and increase their ability to complete their educational program. To enable the school to distribute the amount to each eligible student, amounts from the insitution's allocation were used.

Attachment B

Students were informed of the following upon receiving instructions about HEERF:

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) is part of the education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Public Law No: 116-136. The fund provides Xavier College allocation of \$119,432 to be granted to eligible students, to be used as relief for significant disruptions in their educational program, because of the Corona Virus. The school's allocation is for another \$119,432 to help the school with the cost of meeting the additional demands caused by the virus.

We asked those eligible to request for the funds using the below form. Eligibility is based on the same requirements for federal financial aid.

Attachment C

Students' Request for Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)

I, _____ (PRINT), current student at Xavier College's _____ program, acknowledge that I am aware of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

I acknowledge that the Department of Education's HEERF allocation for the students at Xavier College is \$119,432 as Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students based on financial need.

I acknowledge that the school will need information from me to determine how to allocate the funds for eligible students, and hereby request emergency financial aid grant.

I certify that the fund I will receive will cover my <u>cost of attendance</u> only, as indicated by the items I initialed below:

- 1. ____ Food cost.
- 2. ____ Transportation.
- 3. ____ Housing cost.
- 4. ____ Cost of course materials.
- 5. ____ Cost of technology.
- 6. ____ Cost of health care.
- 7. ____ Cost of child-care.
- 8. ____ Current employment status
- 9. ____ Other personal circumstances related to my school attendance (briefly describe):

I am aware that to receive the emergency relief fund, I must be a US citizen or permanent resident and will provide evidence of such. (Those currently receiving Title IV financial aid as a student of Xavier College need not provide evidence.)

I acknowledge that I may have to provide additional information to the school and/or the United States Department of Education as it relates to the HEERF fund I am requesting. I attest to the validity of the information I have provided above.

Student's Signature

Date

Attachment D

HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND II (HEERF II) STUDENTS' REQUEST

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020.

I, _____ (PRINT), student at Xavier College's VN___RN__ program (check one), acknowledge that I am aware of the HEERF II allocation of \$123,963.

I understand the school will disburse funds to current students based on eligibility and need; therefore, funds disbursed will be at a maximum of \$1,500 per student.

I acknowledge that the school may need information from me to determine how to allocate the funds to eligible students according to the impact of my need on my education.

I acknowledge that I may have to provide additional information to the school and/or the United States Department of Education as it relates to the HEERF II fund I am requesting. I attest to the accuracy of the reasons I have indicated for my request.

I hereby request financial aid grant for expenses related to cover <u>my cost of attendance</u> as I have indicated with my <u>initials</u> and comments on the examples of the cost below:

- 1. ____ Tuition
- Licensing fees (Board application/authorization= \$220 (VN) or \$300 (RN); Examination=\$200 (VN/RN); Fingerprinting=\$60 (VN/RN); Initial License= \$220 (VN).
- 3. ____ Other needs related to my education. Specify in the spaces below and/or additional sheets.

Student's Signature

Date

Received: \$	from Xavier College of	n this date:

Signature: _____