

**Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Reporting:
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students
Mitchell College HEERF Student Portion Fund Report**

December 31, 2022

Overview:

Section 18004(e) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act” or the “Act”), Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281 (March 27, 2020), directs institutions receiving funds under Section 18004 of the Act to submit (in a time and manner required by the Secretary) a report to the Secretary describing the use of funds distributed from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (“HEERF”).

On May 6, 2020, the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education posted their reporting requirements for HEERF participating institutions.

Each HEERF participating institution is responsible for providing this information in report format (the “30-day Fund Report”). In addition, these participating institutions are required to post the information listed below on the institution’s primary website. Accordingly, the following information will be easily accessible to the public and made available 30 days after the date when the institution received its allocation under 18004(a)(1) and updated every 45 days thereafter.

Revised Notice August 28th 2020: Grantees will report on every calendar quarter (March, June, September, December).

Revision March 18th, 2021:

On March 18, 2021, Mitchell College received notification that it was awarded \$308,264 for emergency financial aid grants to eligible students, made possible by CRRSAA’s Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II).

Revision May 16th, 2021:

On May 16, 2021, Mitchell College received notification that it was awarded \$911,172 for emergency financial aid grants to eligible students, made possible by ARP’s Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III).

Mitchell College (MC) hereby addresses questions related to HEERF Student funding:

1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the

CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

MC Response: *Mitchell College completed and submitted the Funding Certification Agreement on May 15, 2020, with the intention of using 100% of the dedicated Student portion of funding to provide Emergency Grants to students impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.*

2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

MC Response: *The total amount of funding that Mitchell College is scheduled to receive is \$616,528 under § 18004(a)(1) of the HEERF, of which at least \$308,264 will be provided directly to students impacted by campus disruptions due to COVID-19. On March 18th, 2021 the College was awarded an additional \$308,264 in CRRSAA (HEERF2) grants for eligible students. On May 16th, 2021 the College was awarded an additional \$911,172 in ARP (HEERF3) grants for eligible students.*

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission

MC Response: *\$1,476,797 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants have been provided to students as of December 31, 2022.*

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 to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

MC Response: *The estimated number of students eligible to participate in programs under Sections 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and thus eligible to receive Emergency Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs, is 1,989.*

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

MC Response: *As of December 31st, 2022, funding was distributed to 1,989 students.*

6. The method(s) 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, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

MC Response: CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) grants to students range from \$200 up to \$1,500, awarded based on students with the greatest documented need using Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) from the annual Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This tiered approach to grant awards provides substantial award amounts to our neediest students as well as emergency grants to all Title IV eligible students who may be struggling as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Update 9/30/2022: CARES, CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) grants to students are distributed based on a written application from students documenting pandemic related financial hardship along with documented need using Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) from the annual Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This approach works to identify and provide for substantial award amounts to our neediest students as well as emergency grants to eligible students who may be struggling as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

- **MC Response:** Communications with students include email notifications and information posted to the newly created CARES Act webpage. Mitchell College will continue to update this information quarterly.