



**HEERF III Quarterly Report
Student Portion
Third and Final Quarter

This report pertains to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 that again funded the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). The University of St. Francis has signed and returned to the Department the certification and agreement on or about 6/1/2021 and have used the funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Under the most recent HEERF III grant, USF has been granted \$2,546,639 to be expended as HEERF III grants to students during the 2021-2022 award year.

Under the CARES I funds, USF received and expended \$769,837 on 1,195 students. Under CARES II funds, USF received and expended \$769,837 on 1,025 students. Under the most recent HEERF III funding, USF has expended \$254,639 on 240 students.

**On subsequent distributions ranging from 10/19/2021—11/30/2021 USF expended an additional amount of HEERF III funding of \$1,590,500 to 1,005 eligible students (Eight (8) appeals were granted). As of this quarter USF has expended a total of \$1,845,139 if HEERF III funding to students.

***On 3/1/22 USF expended \$633,200 to 821 students using the methodology that appears below the Fall 2021 methodology. A different methodology was use due to the amount of funds remaining. Inevitably the balance of \$1,739 was distributed to two students who had filed a professional judgment request.

*Based on current metrics being determined we have approximately 977 students who will be eligible to receive funding under HEERF III during Fall 2021. An appeal process will also be available for students may have special needs and are not granted an initial HEERF III award. The preliminary methodology to be used for Fall 2021 appears below.

*Total Number of students granted funding by academic year:

2019-2020:	1,195 students (CARES I)
2020-2021:	1,025 students (CARES II)
2020-2021:	240 students (HEERF III)
**2021-2022:	1,005 students (HEERF III)
***2021-2022:	823 students (HEERF III)

(Unduplicated number of 2021-2022 HEERF III recipients was 1,112)

All HEERF III Funds have been awarded to students totaling \$2,306,639.



The methodology below for Fall 2021 will expend approximately \$1,544,750 leaving a balance of \$761,899 to be distributed for appeals and Spring 2022 awards to students. Prior methodologies for CARES Act funds can be found at <https://www.stfrancis.edu/cares/>.

**As an amendment to the first quarter report, USF will have a remaining \$701,500 to be distributed for Spring 2022. These funds will be prioritized to new students and returning students as per the metrics used for Fall 2021.

GROUP	EFC	EFC	EFC
<u>RESIDENTS</u>	0-2500	2501-5846	5847-8999
AWARD	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$1,500
<u>COMMUTER</u>	0-2500	2501-5846	5847-8999
AWARD	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$1,000
<u>PT UNDERGRAD</u>	0-2500	2501-5846	5847-8999
AWARD	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$750
<u>ADULT DEGREE COMP.</u>	0-2500	2501-5846	5847-8999
AWARD	\$1,000	\$750	\$500
<u>GRADUATE/DOCTORAL</u>	0-2500	2501-5846	5847-8999
AWARD	\$1,000	\$750	\$500
<u>PA STUDENTS</u>	0-2500	2501-5846	5847-8999
AWARD	\$2,500	\$2,000	\$1,500

Methodology for Spring 2022 Distribution of HEERF III funds:

GROUP	EFC	EFC	
<u>FT UNDERGRADUATE</u>	0-5846	5847-8999	
AWARD		\$1,000	\$800
<u>PT UNDERGRAD</u>	0-5846	5847-8999	
AWARD		\$400	\$200
<u>ADULT DEGREE COMP.</u>	0-5846	5847-8999	
AWARD		\$400	\$200
<u>GRADUATE/DOCTORAL</u>	0-5846	5847-8999	
AWARD		\$400	\$200
<u>PA STUDENTS</u>	0-5846	5847-8999	
AWARD		\$1,000	\$800



**Instructions to students (First distribution 2020-2021):*

Dear USF Student:

These emergency grant funds have been given to you as a result of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 that again funded the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). Specifically these funds are to help cover such expenses as tuition and fees, food, housing, course materials, technology, health care (including mental health care), childcare, transportation and costs associated with remote learning.

The amounts of these grants were determined using an average cost method and take into consideration both Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and living situations. These funds are limited, so we cannot guarantee that any additional funding will be available, nor can we estimate when available funding will be exhausted.

Students should be aware that if their family financial circumstances have changed since the 2019 calendar year, Financial Aid Services can evaluate if this can result in additional financial assistance to fund their attendance at USF. These circumstances can be, but are not limited to changes in employment status, divorce, additional family members moving back into the home or situations caused by COVID-19. Students who believe they are experiencing these situations should contact Financial Aid Services for the appropriate forms.

Please continue to stay safe and follow all guidelines required to mitigate the spread of the virus, such as wearing a mask, social distancing and frequent hand washing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce A. Foote".

Bruce A. Foote
Executive Director of Financial Aid Services



**** Instructions to students (Second distribution 2021-2022):**

October, 2021

Dear USF Student:

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As you were previously notified, the amounts of these grants were determined using an average cost method and take into consideration both Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and living situations.

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