

**Northwest University – Department of Education – CRRSAA  
HEERF (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund) Reporting Disclosure under Section 314(a)(1)**

On January 17, 2021, Northwest University received authorization and funding from the Department of Education (DOE) for \$2,038,034 as part of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II) authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA). The CRRSAA requires schools to spend at least the same dollar amount on student grants as was required under the CARES Act, and the remaining funds must be used by the school to help defray expenses or lost revenue associated with coronavirus.

**STUDENT ASSISTANCE GRANT**

The emergency financial aid funding for students of \$537,781, was authorized and received on January 17, 2021 and distributed 100% on March 8, 2021 to 639 eligible students out of 1,831 students currently enrolled in Spring semester. The decision was made to award funds to each undergraduate and graduate student meeting the following criteria as of February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

- Exceptional financial need as determined by their 2020-2021 FAFSA Expected Family Contribution (EFC) that fell within the Pell-eligible EFC range of \$0 to \$5,711.
- Continued enrollment in Spring term 2021.
- Degree-seeking student.
- U.S. Citizen or Eligible Noncitizen.

Each student meeting the criteria received a grant on a sliding scale ranging from \$169.01 to \$1,014.04.

<b>Award Tier</b>	<b>EFC Range</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>
Tier 1	\$0 – \$999	\$1,014.04
Tier 2	\$1,000 – \$1,999	\$ 845.04
Tier 3	\$2,000 – \$2,999	\$ 676.03
Tier 4	\$3,000 – \$3,999	\$ 507.02
Tier 5	\$4,000 – \$4,999	\$ 338.01
Tier 6	\$5,000 – \$5,711	\$ 169.01

The students were notified via email on March 3, 2021. We processed the refunds through our third-party refund provider, NelNet on March 8, 2021, either as a direct deposit or a physical check.

As of March 31, 2021, there are still 63 physical checks outstanding. Our Student Financial Services office is following up with these students to encourage them to deposit the checks or let us know the check has been lost so we can reissue a check to them.

**INSTITUTIONAL GRANT**

The remaining allocation of \$1,500,253 was authorized and received on January 17, 2021 by Northwest University as their institutional grant. On March 4, 2021 there was an initial drawdown of \$264,634 and

an additional drawdown of \$1,235,619 was made on March 31, 2021. These drawdowns were used to reimburse the institution for the following COVID related expenses and lost revenue.

- \$837,218 was reimbursement for offsite student housing used to de-densify student housing, as well as provide quarantine and isolation housing as needed.
- \$439,978 lost revenue related to Fall student housing.
- \$197,539 was reimbursement for housing refunds given to students in 2020 when COVID restrictions caused the students to move out of campus housing. This amount is in addition to the amount taken under HEERF I of the CARES Act, as HEERF I funds did not fully cover these refunds.
- \$9,580 was reimbursement for additional labor to support HyFlex classrooms and to provide meal delivery to students in quarantine and isolation.
- \$15,938 for COVID supplies and indirect cost recovery.

RECIPIENT or Authorized Representative of Recipient     John Jordan, Chief Financial Officer

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