



**Howard College COVID-19 Student Emergency Solutions Project
The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) Website Report
First Quarterly Report: October 5, 2021
June 30th Quarter Report- no ARP funds distributed to students to report.**

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) is authorized by the American Rescue Plan, 2021 (ARP), Public Law 117-2, signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021.

Accordingly, the following information must appear in a format and location that is easily accessible to the public. This information must also be updated no later than 10 days after the end of each calendar quarter (September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30).

1. Howard College acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
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.

Howard College received \$3,101,198 under ARP from the Department of Education pursuant to Howard College's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under ARP program as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).

As of October 4, 2021, Howard College has distributed \$2,452,000 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the ARP program.

4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to receive emergency Financial Aid grants to students under the ARP program.

7,726 students

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the American Rescue Plan, 2021 (ARP).

As of October 4, 2021, 1,226 students have received Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the ARP program.



6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the ARP program.

Howard College formed an ARP (HEERF III) Team to create a plan for distributing the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the ARP program. The [attached distribution plan](#) outlines the method used to determine which students were eligible to apply for funds under the act. Each approved applicant is to receive \$2,000.

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

The application for COVID-19 Emergency Relief Funds was posted on the COVID-19 Special Notice page on the college website on June 21, 2021. A news banner link was placed on the website home page to direct students to the special notice page. Eligibility guidelines and instructions were posted with the application link. Additionally, notifications about the grant were shared multiple times through all social media platforms utilized by the college (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter).

On June 23, 2021, an email was sent to all students giving instructions on how to apply for the funds. On June 21, 2021, faculty and staff were also notified by email to help assist students on how to apply for the funds.

The application currently remains open on the Howard College website.