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Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Report for Student Portion of CARES Act Funds

Acknowledgement:

Great Lakes Christian College (GLCC) has signed and returned the Certification and Agreement form to the Department of Education. GLCC intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Cares Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid grants to students.

Student Portion Funding Amount:

GLCC received a total of \$79,953 from the Department of Education for the purpose of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

Total Amount Disbursed and Number of Students Who Have Received a Grant:

As of October 9, GLCC has disbursed the entire \$79,953 in Emergency Financial Aid grants to 74 students.

Estimated Number of Eligible Students:

On April 21, 2020, the Department of Education provided guidance that grant eligible students must be students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. Previously, they had also advised that students enrolled in exclusively online programs are ineligible. Based upon these criteria, GLCC determined that approximately 100 students are eligible to receive a grant.

Methodology:

The Department of Education instructed colleges and universities to develop their own system and process for determining allocation of grant funds. GLCC disbursed the grant funds in three phases.

Phase One:

GLCC identified qualified students believed to most likely have expenses and need by the criteria shown below.

Qualified students:

- 1) Enrolled in an on-campus program
- 2) Completed a 19-20 FAFSA
- 3) Meets all eligibility requirements to receive Title IV Aid

Expenses and Need:

- 1) Enrolled at least half-time
- 2) A 19-20 FAFSA EFC of 10,000 or less

See the table below for GLCC's allocation of available funds:

EFC	# of Eligible Students	Individual Grant \$	Total Grant \$
Automatic Zero	22	\$1,250	\$27,500
0-1000	34	\$1,000	\$34,000
1,001-5,000	18	\$800	\$14,400
5,001-10,000	7	\$579	\$4,053
TOTAL	81	N/A	\$79,953

On May 12, 2020, GLCC sent a letter and grant request form by postal mail and email to the 81 students in the table above. 67 of the 81 eligible students applied for and received a grant. (A few applications were received slightly after the June 15 deadline and were accepted because funds were still available.) Disbursements after Phase One totaled \$64,353. This left \$15,600 in remaining grant funds.

Phase Two:

On June 25, GLCC contacted all Phase One grant recipients by postal mail and email with an invitation to apply for additional grant funds if the initial grant did not meet their eligible expenses. Students were required to document their expenses and provide receipts if available. GLCC approved partial or full funding for approximately 50% of applications. Phase Two disbursements totaled \$5,005, leaving \$10,595 to still be disbursed.

Phase Three:

In September 10, GLCC contacted every qualifying student with a 19-20 EFC between \$10,001 and \$25,000 with an invitation to apply for grant funds. Seven students applied for a grant, and received \$400 each. \$7,795 in grant funds remained, and GLCC disbursed this evenly between the grand total of 74 grant recipients. Each grant recipient received an additional \$105.33 or \$105.34.

Additional Guidance Provided:

For copies of the letters and application forms sent to students, see earlier reports.