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July 9, 2021

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) Report: Student Portion of the American Rescue Plan (ARP)

Acknowledgement:

Great Lakes Christian College (GLCC) has received funds from the Department of Education under the ARP. GLCC intends to 100% of the funds received under Section 2003(a)(1) (Student Aid Portion) to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.

Student Portion Funding Amount:

GLCC received a total of \$258,697 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 July 9, 2021, GLCC has disbursed \$0 in emergency financial aid grants to 0 students. However, grant disbursements will begin being made later this month.

Estimated Number of Eligible Students:

Based upon current federal guidance, GLCC had approximately 146 students enrolled in the Spring 2021 semester 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. Below, you will see GLCC's process of identifying qualified students believed to most likely have expenses and need.

Qualified students:

- 1) Degree seeking student (Dual enrolled and audit students are not eligible)
- 2) If a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen, students who completed a 20-21 FAFSA
- NOTE: Per the May 11, 2021 Department of Education policy reversal, International and undocumented students are now eligible for HEERF grant funds.

Expenses and Need:

- 1) Enrolled at least half-time (On campus or online) in Spring semester 2021.
- 2) A 20-21 FAFSA EFC of 20,000 or less

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

EFC	# of Eligible Students	Individual Grant	Total Grant \$
		\$	
0-1,000	66	\$1250	\$82,500
1,001-3,000	14	\$1000	\$14,000
3,001-6,000	12	\$800	\$9,600
6,001-10,000	8	\$650	\$5,200
10,001-20,000	12	\$500	\$6,000
International/Undocumented	< 8*	Varies*	\$6,810.07**
TOTAL	112 + International	N/A	\$124,110.07

Additional Guidance Provided:

On June 25, 2021, GLCC sent a letter by postal mail to every student in the table above. GLCC also included a form by which students could voluntarily apply a portion of the grant to their current school bill. The letter and form are shown below.



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June 25, 2021

Students:

You are receiving this letter because you are eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government. As part of the ARP act, the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) has made grant funding available to colleges and universities. GLCC was recently approved for a \$258,697 grant to be given directly to students "for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care."

GLCC is disbursing \$124,110.07 of this grant to students enrolled in the Spring 2021 semester (approximately 48% of the total grant funds). The remaining \$134,586.93 is reserved for a later disbursement to students enrolled in the Fall 2021 semester (approximately 52% of the total grant funds).

There is no action you need to take to receive this grant. You will receive a check by July 30, 2021. If you wish to apply a portion of your grant (up to 100%) to your current student bill (and/or as a deposit toward your Fall 2021 bill), please fill out the form enclosed in this letter, and return to the financial aid office by Friday, July 16th.

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- 4) Degree seeking student (Dual enrolled and audit students are not eligible)
- 5) If a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen, students who completed a 20-21 FAFSA
- NOTE: Per the May 11, 2021 Department of Education policy reversal, International and undocumented students are now eligible for HEERF grant funds.

Expenses and Need:

- 3) Enrolled at least half-time (On campus or online) in Spring semester 2021.
- 4) A 20-21 FAFSA EFC of 20,000 or less

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

EFC	# of Eligible Students	Individual Grant	Total Grant \$
		\$	
0-1,000	66	\$1250	\$82,500
1,001-3,000	14	\$1000	\$14,000
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International/Undocumented	< 8*	Varies*	\$6,810.07**
TOTAL	112 + International	N/A	\$124,110.07

*Since this class of students is more easily identifiable, the exact number of eligible student recipients and individual grant amounts are withheld to protect privacy.

**Includes retroactively applied grants from HEERF I and II.

If you are uncertain of your EFC, you may find it on your Student Aid Report (SAR) by logging in at <u>https://studentaid.gov/</u>.

This grant will be reported on the recipient's IRS form 1098-T, but it is non-taxable, and is not to be reported as part of the recipient's gross income. For the latest information on HEERF III, see the following website:

https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html

Please see me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

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Ryan Apple Financial Aid Director Great Lakes Christian College (517) 321-0242 <u>financial_aid@glcc.edu</u>



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Date: _____

HEERF III Authorization Form

I, ______ (print name), authorize Great Lakes Christian College to apply a portion of my HEERF III grant to my student bill. I understand that I am under no obligation to apply any portion of the grant to my bill, and I am free to receive the entire amount as a check written directly to me.

Please apply toward my student bill the amount I have indicated below:

Signed:	Date:	
Specific amount written here: \$		
Half of my HEERF III grant		
Full HEERF III grant		

(Please return this form to the financial aid office by July 16, 2021)