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**October 8, 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 October 8, 2021, GLCC has disbursed \$124,110.07 in emergency financial aid grants to 114 students. The remaining 134,586.93 will be disbursed in October 2021.

**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. GLCC also had approximately 146 students enrolled in the Fall 2021 semester eligible to receive a grant.

**For further information regarding the Spring 2021 semester, please see the July 9, 2021 report.** Every additional point of information in this report will be specific to the Fall 2021 semester.

**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 21-22 FAFSA
- 3) 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 Fall semester 2021.
- 2) A 21-22 FAFSA EFC of 20,000 or less

(See Reverse Side)

See the table below for GLCC's allocation of funds. Because eligibility is still being determined for a few students, **the final individual grant amounts may slightly vary (up to \$25.00 increase or decrease):**

EFC	# of Eligible Students	Individual Grant \$	Total Grant \$
0-1,000	65	\$1339.99	\$87,099.35
1,001-3,000	10	\$1089.99	\$10,899.90
3,001-6,000	17	\$889.99	\$15,129.83
6,001-10,000	11	\$739.99	\$8,139.89
10,001-20,000	18	\$589.99	\$10,619.82
International/Undocumented	< 8*	Varies/Undisclosed*	\$2,698.14*
TOTAL	121 + International	N/A	\$134,586.93

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

**Additional Guidance Provided:**

On October 5, 2021, GLCC sent a letter via campus mailbox or 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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October 5, 2021

Dear Student:

You are receiving this letter because you are eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government. As part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP), the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) has made grant funding available to colleges and universities. Last spring, GLCC was 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 disbursed \$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 being disbursed 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 October 29, 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 Spring 2022 bill), please fill out the form enclosed in this letter, and return to the financial aid office by Friday, October 15.

The U.S. Department of Education has 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:

- 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 21-22 FAFSA
- 6) 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 Fall semester 2021.
- 4) A 21-22 FAFSA EFC of 20,000 or less

(See Reverse Side)

See the table below for GLCC's allocation of available funds. Because eligibility is still being determined for a few students, **the final individual grant amounts may slightly vary (up to \$25.00 increase or decrease):**

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

In certain circumstances, this grant may 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>.

For tax related questions pertaining to all of the HEERF grants, see <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/higher-education-emergency-grants-frequently-asked-questions>.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,



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## 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:

- Full HEERF III grant
- Half of my HEERF III grant
- Specific amount written here: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please return this form to the financial aid office by October 15, 2021)