

Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF) **Grant Fall 2021 HEERF Student Reporting (Quarter 2** **December 30)**

What is a HEERF II Grant?

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) signed into law on March 11, 2021, gave the U.S. Department of Education funds to distribute to institutions of higher education through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III).

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] Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF I, II, & HEERF III) is \$18,591,381.

- **The total amount of funds disbursed to students from all HEERF grants for the quarter.**
\$4,826,850
- **The estimated number of students eligible for the quarter**
6,787
- **The number of students who received grants during the quarter.**
6,787
- **The methodology used to determine funding.**

Baton Rouge Community College received \$12,171,355 in HEERF III student funding through the American Rescue Plan that was approved by the US Congress in March 2021. The College will disburse around 40% (4.8M) of the total funds available to students who were enrolled at BRCC during the Fall 21 semester. The College will post funds directly to the students accounts and refund the money to the students.

The students who are eligible to receive funds are as follows: Any individual who is or was enrolled for the Spring 2022 terms excluding

- Prisoners,
- High school,
- Visiting and non-matriculating students,
- Cross enrolled students whose "home institution" is a non-LCTCS college

In cases where a student is enrolled in two (2) or more LCTCS colleges, the college where the student is taking the most hours as of during the chosen semester of enrollment, will award the funds. Such students should not receive more than one (1) payment per payment period.

- **Guidance provided to students concerning HEERF emergency grants.**

The following guidance was provided to the students:

Dear Student,

Thank you for enrolling in courses at Baton Rouge Community College during the Fall 2021 term. The American Rescue Plan that was signed into law in March 2021, gave the U.S. Department of Education funds to distribute to institutions of higher education through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III). You have been selected to receive this one-time HEERF III award. The funds will post to your student account. The funds will be distributed via BankMobile through the refund preference you have selected and should be available to you by December 17, 2021. No further action is required on your part.