## **Reporting Requirements**

## Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund – Student Aid

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid provides funding to institutions to provide emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted, many of whom are facing financial challenges and struggling to make ends meet.

The University of North Texas (UNT) received an allocation from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to make emergency grants available to students. UNT follows all guidelines provided by the U.S. Department of Education in awarding and disbursing grants to students. As part of the established guidelines, UNT provides the following information each quarter. This report includes the amounts allocated under each successive tranche of HEERF according to HEERF I (CARES), HEERF II (CRRSAA), and HEERF III (ARP).

## Updated 7/9/2021 with data as of 6/30/2021.

- 1. UNT signed and submitted a Certification and Agreement to the Department of Education and intends to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP legislation 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 of Education pursuant to the Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

HEERF II - \$14,509,044 HEERF III - \$14,509,044 HEERF III - \$42,468,686

3. UNT has distributed the following amounts to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the of the CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP legislation as of **6/30/2021**. Some awards are in the processing stage before disbursement.

HEERF II - \$14,509,044 HEERF III - \$13,391,000 HEERF III - \$0

UNT has awarded the following amounts to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP legislation as of **6/30/2021**.

HEERF I - \$14,509,044

HEERF II - \$13,540,000 HEERF III - \$0

- 4. UNT has an estimated total of 30,088 students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP legislation.
- 5. Students who have received Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP legislation. These totals represent student headcount and not individual awards.

HEERF II – 13,132 HEERF II – 20,173 HEERF III - 0

A total of individual awards are listed below by HEERF program. These have been made as Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP legislation. Some awards are in the processing stage before the disbursement to students.

HEERF I – 18,244 HEERF II – 26,466 HEERF III - 0

6. UNT followed the guidelines provided by the Department of Education in administering the awarding and disbursement of funds to students. The institution established a team of staff from Student Affairs, Student Financial Aid and Scholarships, and Student Financial Services to manage the communications, requests, awarding, and processing of emergency financial aid grants.

An application was established to capture basic information, including why the student was requesting funds and how the funds would be used to ensure their success at UNT. Each application was reviewed to ensure eligibility according to the Department of Education guidelines, to confirm the student expressed need. UNT has ensured the application, awarding, and processing allowed for the prioritization of students with exceptional financial need and also to award Emergency Financial Aid Grants to as many students as possible.

7. All enrolled students were notified of the availability of grants by an <u>official email from</u> <u>the University President on April 15, 2020</u> (https://www.unt.edu/notices/help-so-you-can-succeed-message-president). Additional information was communicated through

social media, website posts, and additional emails distributed by various university departments. The following website was established to provide information about the awards and the application process: <a href="https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/covid-19-student-success-award">https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/covid-19-student-success-award</a>