

HEERF II Fund Quarterly Report

March 31, 2021

Dickinson College

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The following report is required to be updated and published on the Dickinson College website on a quarterly basis. It contains information on both the student and institutional portion of the aid received.

Overview—Student Emergency Relief Grants

Dickinson College signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that Dickinson has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. Dickinson was issued an allocation of \$718,034 to provide emergency financial aid grants to students. Funds were accepted by Dickinson on March 24, 2021 and were pending distribution as of March 31.

Based on the criteria provided by the Department of Education as of March 15, 2021, Dickinson determined that 1272 students were eligible under CRRSAA rules. This number was calculated based on students who have a valid current FAFSA on file. While there may be others that could qualify, the guidance from the Department of Education requiring Title IV eligibility of recipients meant the FAFSA was the only current practical method of determining eligibility at the time funds were received.

The College determined a simple application be the method to determine if students experienced COVID expenses. All students with demonstrated need (determined by Cost of Attendance minus EFC) were invited to apply. Invitations were sent to the 1,081 students with demonstrated need per the FAFSA. Additionally, announcements were placed in the campus wide publication for 2 weeks advertising the opportunity.

Information Provided to Students

The following Email was sent to all students with demonstrated need on March 22, 2021:

Dear _____,

We are reaching out because our records indicate you may qualify for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021.

To qualify for the grant, you will need to have experienced emergency costs due to COVID-19 and need funds for educational costs such as tuition, food, housing, course materials, travel, technology, health care, personal expenses and child-care expenses.

In addition to having incurred hardship due to COVID-19, students must also have demonstrated financial need to be eligible. This means the student and parent Expected Family Contribution (EFC) on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 2020-21 academic year must be lower than the calculated cost of attendance. If you are receiving this email, we have established that your EFC on the FAFSA is in the range of qualifying. If you believe you are eligible, please review the full instructions and complete the two-question application here. Applications must be received no later than April 5,

2021, to be considered for HEERF II funds. Due to the nature and timing of distribution, no exceptions can be made.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Warm regards,

Application Instructions

Dickinson College has received limited federal aid from the second Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II) for the purpose of providing emergency grants to eligible domestic students for their expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. These expenses include, but are not limited to tuition, food, housing, course materials, unanticipated travel, technology, health care, and child-care expenses. In addition to having incurred expenses due to COVID-19, students must have demonstrated financial need to be eligible. This means the student and parent EFC on the FAFSA for 2020-2021 must be lower than the calculated cost of attendance.

This form, along with any current financial aid data will be used to determine eligibility for grant funding. However, a previous financial aid application is not mandatory but students applying for the grant must file a FAFSA (either for 2019-2020 or 2020-2021) if they have not already done so. You will be notified of the outcome of your application by mid-April. Students who are found eligible for funding should start receiving their funds around the end of April.

The dollar amount awarded will depend on the number of applicants and Pell eligibility status. The total pool of HEERF II funds will be divided amongst eligible applicants. Pell grant recipients will receive preference in the awarding of these funds. This preference will be demonstrated by allocating a 50% higher allotment to Pell grant recipients vs. non Pell grant recipients.

NOTE: Due to awaiting Department of Education guidance, we are not currently able to award these funds to International students or undocumented students. We expect to have full guidance by the time HEERF III grant funding is in place. Our hope is to be able to offer the third and largest higher education emergency relief fund to-date to as many students as possible, while providing another opportunity for those with the most financial need.

Approval verbiage

For students found eligible for HEERF II grant funding, the following email is sent upon processing.

Dear ____,

I'm pleased to inform you that your grant application for the Higher Education Emergency Relief funding (HEERF II) through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Appropriations Act has been approved in the amount of \$_____.

You requested (Insert method of payment: check, direct deposit, student account). This should arrive in about _____.

We hope these funds help ease the financial strain of COVID-19 and allow you to continue your studies.

All our best,

Quarterly Budget and Expenditure Reporting for HEERF I, II, and III (a)(1) Institutional Portion, (a)(2), and (a)(3), if applicable

Institution Name: Dickinson College Date of Report: June 29, 2021 Covering Quarter Ending: March 31, 2021

PR/Award Number(s): P425F201375 -20A P425J _____ P425K: _____ P425L _____ P425M: _____ P425N: _____

Total Amount of Funds Awarded: Section (a)(1) Institutional Portion: \$ 1,312,526 Section (a)(2): _____ Section (a)(3): _____ Final Report?

Category	Amount in (a)(1) institutional dollars	Amount in (a)(2) dollars, if applicable	Amount in (a)(3) dollars, if applicable	Explanatory Notes
Providing additional emergency financial aid grants to students. ¹				
Providing reimbursements for tuition, housing, room and board, or other fee refunds.				
Providing tuition discounts.				
Covering the cost of providing additional technology hardware to students, such as laptops or tablets, or covering the added cost of technology fees.				
Providing or subsidizing the costs of high-speed internet to students or faculty to transition to an online environment.				
Subsidizing off-campus housing costs due to dormitory closures or decisions to limit housing to one student per room; subsidizing housing costs to reduce housing density; paying for hotels or other off-campus housing for students who need to be isolated; paying travel expenses for students who need to leave campus early due to coronavirus infections or campus interruptions.				
Subsidizing food service to reduce density in eating facilities, to provide pre-packaged meals, or to add hours to food service operations to accommodate social distancing.				
Costs related to operating additional class sections to enable social distancing, such as those for hiring more instructors and increasing campus hours of operations.				
Campus safety and operations. ²				

¹ To support expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus consistent with applicable law. This includes eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance under CARES Act Section 18004(c), or any component of a 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, per Section 314(c) of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), and Section 2003 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP).

² Including costs or expenses related to the disinfecting and cleaning of dorms and other campus facilities, purchases of personal protective equipment (PPE), purchases of cleaning supplies, adding personnel to increase the frequency of cleaning, the reconfiguration of facilities to promote social distancing, etc.

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Purchasing, leasing, or renting additional instructional equipment and supplies (such as laboratory equipment or computers) to reduce the number of students sharing equipment or supplies during a class period and to provide time for disinfection between uses.				
Replacing lost revenue from academic sources. ³	\$ 1,312,526			
Replacing lost revenue from auxiliary services sources (i.e., cancelled ancillary events; disruption of food service, dorms, childcare, or other facilities; cancellation of use of campus venues by other organizations, lost parking revenue, etc.). ³				
Purchasing faculty and staff training in online instruction; or paying additional funds to staff who are providing training in addition to their regular job responsibilities.				
Purchasing, leasing, or renting additional equipment or software to enable distance learning, or upgrading campus wi-fi access or extending open networks to parking lots or public spaces, etc.				
Other Uses of (a)(1) Institutional Portion funds. ⁴				
Other Uses of (a)(2) or (a)(3) funds, if applicable. ⁵				
Quarterly Expenditures for Each Program	\$ 1,312,526	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Total of Quarterly Expenditures	\$ 1,312,526			

³ Please see the Department's [HEERF Lost Revenue FAQs](#) (March 19, 2021) for more information regarding what may be appropriately included in an estimate of lost revenue.

⁴ Please post additional documentation as appropriate and briefly explain in the "Explanatory Notes" section. Please note that funds for (a)(1) Institutional Portion may be used to defray expenses associated with coronavirus (including lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with a transition to distance education, faculty and staff trainings, and payroll).

⁵ Please post additional documentation as appropriate and briefly explain in the "Explanatory Notes" section. Please note that funds for (a)(2) and (a)(3) may be used to defray expenses associated with coronavirus (including lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with a transition to distance education, faculty and staff trainings, and payroll).