

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund HEERF III American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT REPORT

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Pub. L. 117-2). The ARP appropriated approximately \$39.6 billion for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) and represents the third stream of funding appropriated for HEERF to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN/HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDS III?

The HEERF III Funds are intended to provide emergency financial support to students with exceptional need.

ELIGIBILITY METHODOLOGY

For the initial awarding of HEERF III funding, Ea La Mar's Cosmetology & Barber College determined eligible students must meet the following criteria:

FAFSA on file with a zero EFC

In attendance at Ea La Mar's Cosmetology & Barber College at any time between March 13, 2020 and September 13, 2021

To prioritize students with the most exceptional need-based, Ea La Mar's Cosmetology & Barber College will identify students who meet the eligibility criteria, as calculated through the 2019-2020, 2020-21, or 2021-22 FAFSA process. Students will need to acknowledge the funding will be used for emergency costs that arose due to Coronavirus such as tuition, food, housing, health care, and childcare.

Ea La Mar's Cosmetology & Barber College was allocated \$17,580.00 to be awarded to students as Emergency Grants.

Approximately 21 students may be eligible. Potentially eligible students were provided written notice.

As of 11/02/2021, Ea La Mar's Cosmetology & Barber College has awarded \$11,290.00 to 6 students.

Grants are prioritized to individuals who demonstrate the most need. Need is determined by Expected Family Contribution, as calculated by the FAFSA Federal Needs Analysis, unless the student has not completed a FAFSA. Additional information is requested from those students who have not completed a FAFSA (ex: proof of federal benefits such as unemployment, SNAP etc). HEERF III funds are to be used for unexpected expenses arising from the COVID 19 pandemic as well as any aspect of the Cost of Attendance.