

## **HEERF 3.0 Department of Education Report 2**

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF 3.0) - Emergency Grants to Students

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### **Certification and Agreement**

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) authorized and signed into law HEERF 3.0, which requires institutions under Section 2003(a)(1), to spend funds in addition to those authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and the Coronavirus Aid, Recovery, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

### **Total Amount of Funds Received**

This brings total funding from HEERF 1.0 (CARES), HEERF 2.0 and HEERF 3.0, to a cumulative amount of \$11,179,745. LMU will provide funding directly to students in the form of HEERF 3.0 dollars for expenses related to COVID-19.

### **Total Amount of Funds Disbursed**

From October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, LMU has distributed \$3,742,855 in Higher Education Relief Funds III (HEERF 3.0) to students.

Note: CARES Act Emergency Relief Grants (HEERF 1.0) and HEERF 2.0 funds are no longer available. LMU has reallocated all remaining CARES and HEERF 2.0 funding into HEERF 3.0 funds.

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### **Total Number of Students Recipients**

Under Section 2003(a)(1) of the CRRSAA, LMU has distributed HEERF 3.0 Emergency Relief Grants to 3,306 students from October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

## **Methods Used to Determine which Students will Receive Emergency Grants and How Much**

### *Fall 2021 Methods*

Undergraduate and Graduate Students who completed the 2020-21 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), with exceptional financial need as determined by their FAFSA expected family contribution (EFC) ranging from \$0-\$10,000, and were enrolled in at least one unit for the Spring 2021 or Summer 2021 semesters were prioritized and will automatically receive a one-time, lump-sum grant of \$350. No separate application is needed. Students are not required to have received federal aid or fall into just the \$0-\$10,000 EFC range to qualify. If you have extenuating COVID-19 related expenses that exceed \$350, you may submit a [HEERF 3.0 Emergency Relief Grant Application](#) no later than December 17, 2021 for additional consideration. Students who have not completed a FAFSA may also still apply. Financial Aid will review and determine an amount, if any, on a case-by-case basis.

LMU Loyola Law School Students who meet the eligibility requirements above are encouraged to submit a [HEERF 3.0 Emergency Relief Application](#) no later than December 17, 2021. Financial Aid will review and determine grant amounts, if any, on a case-by-case basis. Students with exceptional financial need as determined by their FAFSA expected family contribution (EFC) ranging from \$0-\$10,000 will be prioritized. However, students whose EFC is \$10,001 or higher or those who did not complete a FAFSA may still apply.

### *Fall 2021 Outstanding Balance Student Opt-in Methods*

Undergraduate and Graduate Students with an outstanding student account balance were identified during the Spring 2022 enrollment period in mid-November and before the end of the Fall 2021 term. Students then had to demonstrate exceptional financial need as determined by their FAFSA EFC ranging from \$0-\$10,000. LMU sent electronic notification to this student population and provided an opportunity to assist with their outstanding balance. LMU obtained the student's electronic, affirmative consent if a student wanted to use a HEERF 3.0 grant to satisfy an outstanding account balance per the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF 3.0) Frequently Asked Questions guidebook.

Students who provided affirmative electronic consent received the HEERF 3.0 grant directly to their student account. Students within this outstanding balance population who opted-out or took no action received an electronic check with HEERF 3.0 funds. Receipt of the HEERF 3.0 grant for this outstanding balance population was not contingent upon future enrollment or re-enrollment at LMU or required consent of the opt-in opportunity for HEERF 3.0 grant receipt.

### **Instructions, Direction and Guidance Regarding Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF 3.0) - Emergency Grants to Students**

Webpage: LMU Financial Aid developed the [FAQ's Emergency Relief Grant Webpage](#) to provide information to all LMU students about HEERF 3.0 Emergency Relief Grant funding and procedures at LMU.

\* Please note that guidance was and continues to be updated on this webpage. LMU will continue to monitor guidance and update reporting and distribution of funds accordingly.

### **Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) – Institutional Portion**

As part of the HEERF Acts, \$13,675,633 was awarded to Loyola Marymount University to defray operational expenses related to the impact of COVID-19. The institution spent \$363,265 on COVID-19 testing kits for faculty, staff, and students for period ending March 31, 2021. The institution spent \$252,306 on Campus safety and operations (expenses related to PPE purchases, additional cleaning and disinfection supplies, etc.) for period ending June 30, 2021. The institution spent \$934,850 for expenses associated with COVID testing, set up of vaccination site on campus, and communications related to COVID information for period ending September 30, 2021. The institution spent \$383,200 on COVID-19 testing kits for faculty, staff, and students for period ending December 31, 2021.

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