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## **HEERF Summary**

Nazareth College of Rochester received federal funding under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) as part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP HEERF III), 2021. These emergency financial aid grants were administered to students for emergency costs due to coronavirus or for any component of the student's cost of attendance. Eligible expenses include tuition, food, housing, health care and child care.

## **Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students — HEERF III Reporting**

1. As required by ARP, Nazareth College of Rochester used no less than the funds received under the Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

2. Nazareth College of Rochester has been awarded \$2,820,261.00 from the Department of Education pursuant to our Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under ARP HEERF III. As of 9/30/21, Nazareth has received \$2,820,261.00 of these funds. This 9/30/21 quarterly report is the final posting and the final report that covers all remaining HEERF fund expenditures for Section 18004(a)(1) Student Portion funds.

3. As of 9/30/2021, Nazareth has distributed \$2,820,261.00 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants under ARP HEERF III.

4. ARP HEERF III requires institutions to prioritize students who have exceptional need when making grants. Pell eligibility was used to

determine how much funds students would receive. Below are the tiers with the amounts. Amounts were awarded in a batch process and students did not have to apply through an application.

i. Pell eligible - Award \$1,044.00

ii. Non-Pell eligible - Award \$696.00

5. Students eligible to receive ARP HEERF III funds received the below communication from the Nazareth College Financial Aid Office in August 2021 that included information regarding the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

## **ARP Act HEERF III Eligibility Requirements**

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP) (Pub.L. 117-2). The ARP Act appropriated funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to support students and institutions towards recovery efforts, and to provide emergency financial aid grants to students who meet eligibility guidelines as established by the United States Department of Education (USDOE). You are receiving this notice because you are eligible to receive an ARP Act grant. No application is necessary; funds will be disbursed beginning mid-September.

Nazareth students meeting registration and USDOE eligibility requirements will receive an ARP Act grant. Eligible students include those enrolled in a degree or certificate program, non-degree seeking, noncredit, dual enrollment, or continuing education course(s) during the COVID-19 national emergency period.

ARP Act grants will be made to eligible students consistent with USDOE guidance. Distributions will be based on a tiered approach with students with the greatest need, identified as Pell eligible, being awarded a higher amount.

Pell eligible = \$1,044.00 award Non-Pell eligible = \$696.00 award

By accepting the funds, you are confirming that you will use the funds towards your cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare costs.