

## Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund – Student Fund Reporting Disclosure

Schools receiving funding from Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) established under the CARES Act and subsequently supplemented by the CRRSAA and ARP are required to report information describing the use of these funds to the Secretary of Education.

### Fourth Report - Period Ending March 31, 2022

1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
  - a. MBU has followed, and will follow, the instructions and guidance provided by the CARES Act, the CRRSAA, and the ARP Act, the U.S. Department of Education, Federal Student Aid, and the Certification and Agreement completed in April, 2020.
2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
  - a. MBU received \$4,524,318 in funding through all HEERF funds, including CARES Act.
3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).
  - a. Initial Report: As of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, MBU awarded \$783,904 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students from the HEERF funding allocated by CRRSAA. MBU awarded \$0 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students from the HEERF funding allocated by ARP.
  - b. Second Report: As of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, MBU awarded a combined \$801,304 from CRRSA and ARP Act programs in the form of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
  - c. Third Report: During the quarter beginning October 1, 2021, and ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, MBU awarded a combined \$2,945,430 from CRRSA and ARP Act programs in the form of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
  - d. Fourth Report: During the quarter beginning January 1, 2022, and ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, MBU awarded \$0 from CRRSA and ARP Act programs in the form of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
4. The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
  - a. On February 12, 2021, MBU determined 1,677 students were eligible to receive funding from the CRRSAA program funds.
  - b. On August 9, 2021, MBU determined 47 students were eligible to receive funding from the ARP program funds.
  - c. On November 5, 2021, MBU determined 2,119 students were eligible to receive funding from the ARP program funds.
  - d. No additional determinations have been made as to eligible students following the November 5, 2021, determination.
5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
  - a. As of September 30, 2021, MBU had awarded 1,677 students through the CRRSAA Act funding, and an additional 47 students through the ARP Act funding.
  - b. As of December 31, 2021, MBU had awarded 2,119 students through the ARP Act funding.
  - c. As of March 31, 2022, MBU had awarded 2,119 students through the ARP Act funding.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSA and ARP Act (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.
  - a. MBU elected to award students using the format of a block grant program.
    - i. MBU identified all students who were enrolled as of November 5, 2021, that were not enrolled as nondegree seeking students.
    - ii. All students were awarded a base amount of \$1,170.
    - iii. All students who were marked on their 2021-2022 FAFSA as being eligible for Pell Grant funding received an additional \$800.
    - iv. All students who indicated on their 2021-2022 FAFSA that they were what MBU considered to signify an at-risk or high-need student received an additional \$500. The criteria used to determine if the student was at-risk or high-need are as follows:
      1. Orphan/Ward of the Court or in Foster Care
      2. Emancipated Minor
      3. In Legal Guardianship
      4. Unaccompanied Youth as Determined by a School District Liaison,
      5. Unaccompanied Youth as Determined by HUD
      6. At Risk of Homelessness
      7. Parent Received Food Stamp Benefits
      8. Parent Received Free or Reduced Price Lunch
      9. Parent Received TAND Benefits
      10. Parent Received WIC Benefits
      11. Parent was a Dislocated Worker
      12. Student Received Food Stamp Benefits
      13. Student Received Free or Reduced Price Lunch
      14. Student Received TAND Benefits
      15. Student Received WIC Benefits
      16. Student or Spouse was a Dislocated Worker
7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.
  - a. An email was sent to all students eligible to receive ARP Act funding on 11/5/2021. See [Appendix A](#).

Questions about HEERF Student Emergency Grants can be sent to [SFS@mobap.edu](mailto:SFS@mobap.edu).

## Appendix A

THE SECTION IN RED FONT WAS SENT TO ONLY THOSE STUDENTS WHO HAD A  
BALANCE FOR THE SPRING 2021 TERM.

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**From:** Financial Services  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 3:49 PM 3:54 PM  
**Subject:** Announcement: COVID-19 Funding Available  
**Importance:** High

Good afternoon,

Prior to this school year beginning, Congress passed a third round of COVID-19 legislation, known as the [American Rescue Plan \(ARP\)](#). This legislation provided funding to MBU to help students stay enrolled. Unlike earlier legislation, funding from APR can be awarded to all eligible students, not only to those who have filed a FAFSA or are Title IV eligible. Therefore, MBU has determined to award you a one-time direct payment, which will be a 3rd and final payment from COVID relief money since the pandemic began. All students who are enrolled for the purposes of earning a credential will receive a direct payment.

One way the ARP is different from previous legislation is that it allows students to grant permission for their funds to stay with the school.\* We understand that some students might have an interest in using this money to pay toward your account, so we will allow this, but we want to stress that it is not a requirement for you to receive the funding.

If you have a balance owed for this current fall semester and would like us to retain your ARP funds toward this balance, we must receive your authorization by 12:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 11th, 2021. You can provide your authorization by completing this form: <https://forms.office.com/r/wNScYpSFzj>

Should you not wish for us to use your ARP funds toward your balance, no action is required. We will release funding to you directly using the refund method you have elected in your portal. Here is a [step-by-step guide](#) to verify whether you have set up Direct Deposit or physical check. Direct Deposit will ensure these funds come to you as soon as possible.

We expect to award these funds to you on November 12, 2021, so those with direct deposit can expect the funds within 2-3 days depending on their bank. Students with physical check as their refund method will have to wait an additional number of days while the check is sent through the mail system. Again, setting up your direct deposit before November 12 will ensure you get your refund as soon as possible.

For any questions, please contact us at [SFS@mobap.edu](mailto:SFS@mobap.edu) or call (314) 392-2366.

Blessings,

Student Financial Services



*\*Institutions of Higher Education may not (1) condition the receipt of ARP funds to students on continued or future enrollment in the institution, (2) use the financial aid grants to satisfy a student's outstanding account balance, unless it has obtained the student's written (or electronic), affirmative consent, or (3) require such consent as a condition of receipt of or eligibility for the financial aid grant.*

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