

**Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF)
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA)
American Rescue Plan Act of (ARP)
Quarterly Student Emergency Aid Fund Reporting
As of December 31, 2021**

- 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.***

On January 17, 2021, Norfolk State University (NSU) was awarded student emergency aid funding of \$3,450,858 pursuant to Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA. Additionally, on May 14, 2021, NSU was awarded student emergency aid funding of \$10,000,096 pursuant to section 2003 of the ARP. These awards supplement the initial award of \$3,450,858 under the CARES Act funding for a cumulative award amount of \$16,901,812. The U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) added the supplemental CRRSAA and ARP awards to the University's existing Student Aid Portion award number P425E200385; therefore, no action was required by NSU to receive these supplemental awards. Drawing down any amounts of these supplemental funds constitutes NSU's acceptance of the applicable terms and conditions under the CRRSAA and ARP programs, and as described in the Supplemental Agreements. Funds drawn by NSU were used pursuant to the requirement designated under the CRRSAA and ARP programs to provide emergency financial aid grants to students.

- 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.***

Norfolk State University received \$3,450,858 under CRRSAA and \$10,000,096 under ARP (a)(1) from the USDOE to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

- 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).***

As of December 31, 2021, NSU distributed a total of \$10,017,738 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

- 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.***

During the Spring 2021 semester 3,739 eligible students received the Emergency Financial Aid Grants and during the Fall 2021 semester 5,130 eligible students received the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

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.***

During the Spring 2021 semester 3,739 eligible students received the Emergency Financial Aid Grants and during the Fall 2021 semester 5,130 eligible students received the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

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 CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs..***

Students who were enrolled in the Spring 2021 semester at NSU and met the following criteria were considered for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants:

- Enrolled in a degree program
- Enrolled in at least a 3-hour course
- U.S Citizen or Eligible Non-Citizen
- 2020-21 FASFA on file with NSU that indicated the student met the citizenship requirements.

Additionally, CRRSAA requires institutions to prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who receive Pell Grants. NSU defines exceptional need for the purpose of these funds based on two populations:

- Group 1 – students who met the above criteria and had an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from FAFSA less than \$5,712 received \$1,274.32.
- Group 2 – students not in Group 1 who met the above criteria and had exceptional need based on the completion of the HEERF II grant survey received \$1,000.

Furthermore, for students who were enrolled during the Fall 2021 semester, ARP requires that institutions prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who received Pell Grants or other types of exceptional need. NSU defined exceptional need for the purpose of these funds based upon two student populations:

- Group 1: Students eligible for need-based financial aid during the Fall 2021 semester.
- Group 2: Students, not in Group 1, eligible based upon exceptional need after completion of the HEERF III grant survey.

Note: For both Spring and Fall 2021 semesters, Group 1 students who received an award were not eligible to apply for an additional award as part of Group 2.

7. ***Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.***

Instructions, directions, and guidance concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants are provided on the [University's Coronavirus website](#) under [the NSU Federal HEERF II Student Emergency Aid Funds](#) and the [NSU Federal HEERF III Student Emergency Aid Funds](#).