Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report – Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students

CRRSAA HEERF II DISCLOSURE

June 3, 2021

Northwestern Technological Institute (OPE ID: 03124000) received proprietary institution grant funds for students under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021. This Fund Report applies to the HEERF II funds provided for students.

The institution appreciates that Congress and the President have made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the guidelines provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's ("Department") reporting requirements. For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact Monika Lapina, Financial Aid Director, at mlapina@northwesterntech.edu.

- The institution completed and returned to the Department the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 Certification and Agreement [for] Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students, indicating that the institution intends to use 100% of the HEERF II funds to provide grant funds to students.
- 2. The total amount of HEERF II funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department for grant funds to students is <u>\$782,303.00</u>.
- 3. The total amount of HEERF II grants distributed to students as of the date of this Fund Report is **<u>\$351,800.00</u>**.
- 4. The total number of students at the institution who have received HEERF II grant funds as of the date of this report is <u>569</u>.
- 5. The methods used by the institution to determine which students receive HEERF II grant funds and how much they would receive are provided at <u>Attachment A</u>.
- 6. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the HEERF II grants are provided at <u>Attachment B</u>.

Attachment A

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II)

Northwestern Technological Institute has received a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) to provide emergency financial aid grants to students impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Per guidance from the federal government, these grants will be distributed to our students with exceptional need, which will be identified by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Must have a 2019-2020/2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file.
- The 2020-2021 FAFSA Expected Family Contribution (EFC) will be used to determine the amount of the HEERF II Grant; if only a 2019-2020 FAFSA is on file, the 2019-2020 EFC will be used.

	GROUP 1	GROUP 2	GROUP 3
	EFC = 0	EFC = 1 to 5711	EFC = 5712 +
HEERF II Grant Amount	\$700	\$550	\$350

Process for Awarding:

- No action is needed by students if they have a 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 FAFSA on file. The HEERF II grant will be paid directly to eligible students on May 13, 2021 via paper check.
- Students who have not completed their 2020-2021 FAFSA can submit their FAFSA no later than June 30, 2021. Please visit <u>https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa</u> and add Northwestern Technological Institute's Federal School Code: 031240
- By accepting the HEERF II grant, students are acknowledging that they have a **need** for these funds to help with any component of their cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health), child care, etc.
- The HEERF II grant can also be used <u>to pay a student's outstanding account balance</u>. By signing a HEERF II Grant Authorization Form, the full amount of the grant will be applied to the student's account. Please see Financial Aid/Billing Department for more information.

Attachment B

- By accepting the HEERF II grant, students are acknowledging that they have a **need** for these funds to help with any component of their cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health), child care, etc.
- The HEERF II grant can also be used <u>to pay a student's outstanding account balance</u>. By signing a **HEERF II Grant Authorization Form**, the full amount of the grant will be applied to the student's account. Please see Financial Aid/Billing Department for more information.