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HEERF / CARES ACT REPORTING

HEERF/CARES REPORTING OVERVIEW

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Federal and state authorities have passed a series of relief bills in response to the extraordinary circumstances related to the Coronavirus pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic has negatively impacted students and their families.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in March of 2020, Paine College has received **\$10,432,474** million and distributed over **\$9,411,814** million dollars in federal relief funding from HEERFI, HEERF II and HEERF III. The College signed and returned to the Department of Education the required Funding Certification and Agreement forms and agrees that the college has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES funding for colleges for Emergency Financial Aid to Students and Institutional Support “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

In addition to the Student Aid and Institutional Portion HEERF grants, the U.S. Department of Education allocated supplemental HEERF grants for institutions of higher education that are one of the following: Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities, Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs), Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP), or Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE). Paine College is a HBCU, and therefore has received an additional grant.

The funds for Emergency Aid are distributed to qualified undergraduate students. Financial aid grants have been offered to assist with student cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus. The funds for institutional and HBCU awards are utilized to defray expenses associated with the Coronavirus (including lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with transition to online education, faculty and staff training, and payroll).

HEERF I- CARES

In March 2020, under Section 18004 (a)(1) of the CARES funding for colleges and universities through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) for Emergency Financial Aid to Students and Institutional Support, congress allocated funds “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic.

Paine College received an allocation of **\$4,589,482** million in federal appropriations from the Department of Education. The HEERF I funding allocation was based on a formula that includes the number of Pell eligible students. The funds were used to provide financial aid and emergency funds to students and defray institutional expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

HEERF II- CRRSAA

In March 2021, under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act 2021 (CRRSAA), congress set aside approximately \$81.88 billion for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II). The allocation served as supplemental funds to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act in 2020.

Paine College received an allocation of **\$2,876,864** million from the Department of Education. The HEERF II funding allocation was based on a formula that includes the number of Pell eligible students.

The funds were used to provide financial aid and emergency funds to students and defray institutional expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

HEERF III- ARP

Under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) of 2021 (H.R. 1319), Paine College received an allocation of **\$2,966,128** million from the Department of Education for COVID-19 supplemental relief measures. Federal legislation requires institutions to use a portion of HEERF funds for financial aid grants to students. These grants could be used for student cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, healthcare (including mental healthcare), or childcare. Institutions are required to prioritize grants to students with exceptional needs, such as students who receive Pell grants.

Excluding HEERF funds earmarked for student aid, federal legislation allows institutions to use all other HEERF III funds for the following purposes:

- a. Defray expenses associated with coronavirus (including lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with a transition to distance education, faculty and staff training, and payroll);
- b. Provide additional student aid awards.
- c. Implement evidence-based practices to monitor and suppress coronavirus in accordance with public health guidelines; and
- d. Conduct direct outreach to financial aid applicants about the opportunity to receive a financial aid adjustment due to the recent unemployment of a family member or independent student, or other specified circumstances.

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HEERF/CARES STUDENT EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS REPORTING

Paine College

Update March 31, 2022

March 31, 2022 (Q1) - Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund

Paine College signed and returned the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Institution Certification and Agreement to the Department of Education and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CARES Act (a)(1), CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Paine College received **\$2,093,40** in total funds from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES Act (a)(1), CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs.

The funds were disbursed as follows:

CARES Act (a)(1)	\$798,094
CRRSAA Act (a)(1)	\$1,295,846

The total number of students awarded Emergency Financial Aid Grants under CARES Act (a)(1) and CRRSAA (a)(1) is **293**.

HEERF/CARES INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT AND HBCU GRANT REPORTING

On April 23, 2020, Paine College signed and returned to the Department of Education the required Funding Certification and Agreement forms and agrees that the College has used, or intends to use, no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 18004 (a)(1) of the CARES Act “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.”

In addition to the Student Aid and Institutional Portion HEERF grants through HEERF II (CRRSAA) and HEERF III (ARP), the U.S. Department of Education has allocated supplemental HEERF grants for institutions of higher education that includes Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). The reporting information is listed below: