Initial Report on Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF III)—Student Aid Portion

Report Date: June 14, 2021 (initial 30-day fund report)

South Louisiana Community College (SLCC) received education stabilization funds under Section 2003(a)(1) of the American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARP), Pub. L. 117-2, signed into law on March 11, 2021. On May 13, 2021, the Office of Postsecondary Education published revised information for requirements for Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) reporting (Federal Register document 2021 -10196). Reporting for HEERF funds distributed to SLCC will be accessible to the public 30 days after the date when the institution received its allocation and updated every quarter thereafter. This report applies to the new portion received under HEERF III that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

Acknowledgement

SLCC received a Grant Award Notification on May 14, 2021 for Section 2003(a)(1) of the ARP Act. SLCC will use no less than 100 percent of these funds received under Section 2003(a)(1) of ARP to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Amount of Funding Received

SLCC received $9,756,970 from the Department of Education pursuant to the institution’s Grant Award Notification.

Amount of Funding Distributed to Students

The total amount of emergency financial aid grants distributed to students under Section 2003(a)(1) of the ARP Act as of the date of this report is $0.

Estimated Number of Eligible Students

The estimated total amount of students that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid has yet to be determined. The Louisiana Community and Technical College System is developing its strategy for distributing HEERF III funds.

Number of Students Who Have Received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 2003(a)(1) of the ARP Act at SLCC as of the date of this report is 0.

Method Used to Determine Which Students Received Emergency Financial Aid Grants

The methodology on how HEERF III funds will be distributed to students has not been finalized. In order to provide consistency across all colleges, the Louisiana Community and Technical College System is currently developing eligibility requirements.

Directions/Guidance Provided to Students

The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ’s) document will be updated to reflect HEERF III determination to assist students in understanding the reasoning behind eligibility requirements and distribution of the funds. Students can email questions to CARESQuestions@solacc.edu.