Report Date: January 7, 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, or intends to use, the applicable amount of funds designated under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) (a)(1) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.**

   On May 21, 2021, the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) acknowledged receipt of supplemental funding under ARP. Furthermore, UAB intends to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under ARP (a)(1) 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 ARP (a)(1) programs.**

   The University has received a total of $35,738,916.00 of which $18,350,388.00 will be issued directly to students for Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

3. **The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the ARP (a)(1) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).**

   As of December 31, 2021, the total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students is $18,252,777.00.

4. **The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the ARP (a)(1) programs.**

   UAB has 23,160 students that are eligible to receive funds under guidance provided by the Department of Education.

5. **The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the ARP (a)(1) programs.**

   As of December 31, 2021, a total of 11,727 students have received funds under this award.

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 ARP (a)(1) programs.**

   Consistent with Department of Education guidelines, all active students enrolled during the 2020-2021 academic year were eligible to apply for HEERF III funds. UAB is prioritizing students whose need can be determined by the FAFSA and have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) below 20,000. This priority group also included students who were unable to cover an outstanding balance from fall 2020 or spring 2021.
7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

The University of Alabama at Birmingham created the following website to inform students of HEERF III Funds included in ARP. This website outlines the eligibility criteria for the funds, the distribution method, and Frequently Asked Questions. Please see link to the communication sent to eligible students.