

QUARTERLY REPORT – PERIOD ENDING 12/31/2021

Report on HEERF II Student Financial Aid Grants

The total funding to Union College for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students allocated under the CRRSAA (“Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act”), Public Law 116-260, is \$579,970. Union College signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Eligible students were chosen to receive these emergency funds based on guidance from the U.S. Department of Education along with Union’s need-based financial aid awarding policies. Students who received the CRRSAA emergency grants met the following criteria:

- Actively enrolled for the spring 2021 term
- Recipient of need-based scholarship or grant assistance
- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident with demonstrated need at qualifying levels

Under the CRRSAA, funding provides financial aid grants to students which can be used to assist with any component of the cost of attendance at the College or for circumstances that arise as a result of the pandemic. Examples of additional expenses or financial burdens include items such as technology, course materials, health care, food, housing, grocery deliveries, and in some cases the inability to work and earn funds at the level prior to the pandemic.

We identified 998 students who met the required criteria to qualify for a CRRSAA emergency grant.

In February 2021, several students received assistance who were unable to work as a result of the pandemic. Approximately 204 students received such emergency funding totaling \$31,898.45 from the College.

In June 2021, all 998 eligible students received an emergency grant ranging from \$200 to \$700 totaling \$525,225. The grants were prioritized based on level of exceptional need. Pell eligible and other students demonstrating exceptional need received the larger grants. An additional

\$12,900 was provided to 17 eligible students to assist with their summer housing costs while on campus.

The balance of \$9,946.55 will be used in the coming months and will be reported accordingly in the next reporting period.

In July 2021, we provided \$1,230 to three eligible students to assist with their summer housing costs while on campus.

The remaining balance of \$8,716.55 will be used to help currently enrolled students with expenses related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Students receiving emergency grants received a letter from the College, and all students with questions concerning the emergency grants are instructed to contact the Office of Financial Aid at finaid@union.edu or call (518) 388-6123.

Spending to date:

Quarter End 03/31/2021 - \$31,898.45

Quarter End 06/30/2021 - \$538,125.00

Quarter End 09/30/2021 - \$1,230.00

Quarter End 12/31/2021 - \$0.00

Cumulative spending to date - \$571,253.45

Balance remaining - \$8,716.55