The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020.

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II Reporting – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students July 10, 2021 for second quarter ending March 31, 2021.

(The following disclosure complies with HEERF II reporting as required by the Office of Postsecondary Education document 86 FR 26213 dated 2021-05-13.)

Winthrop University has signed an additional certification with the US Department of Education agreeing to use a minimum of \$2,691,065 for new emergency student aid grants with the passage of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act. In the first quarter, Winthrop disbursed \$2,078,099 to 2,398 students.

Using federal guidance, Winthrop determined that initially 5,326 enrolled students were eligible to receive funds. This group included DACA students, international students, and students exclusively enrolled in distance education. Detail instruction were emailed and posted on the website for students wishing to apply (<u>https://www.winthrop.edu/president/faculty-and-staff-february-222nd-2021.aspx</u>). Amount of awards varied depending on actual dollars requested, and any exceptional needs of the students based on information included in their application.

These emergency assistance grants were disbursed directly to students regardless of their account balances with the university. These funds were processed, and direct deposits/checks were distributed.

Please direct any questions about the application process to finaid@winthrop.edu.