

# **American Rescue Plan (ARP) and HEERF III Funds Report**

## **Report on the Use of Funds Distributed from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III)**

September 30, 2021

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) includes a Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) that provides emergency funding to higher education. Martin Community College (MCC) has signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that MCC will use the applicable amount of funds designated under the ARP program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

MCC has received \$364,024.00 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. As of the date of this report, \$35,925.00 has been distributed to students.

The estimated total number of students at MCC eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under the ARP is 300. This reflects 2021 Summer Semester enrollment. As of the date of this report, 300 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under the ARP. Martin Community College determines which students receive the ARP's HEERF III Emergency Financial Aid Grant funds by reviewing students who are enrolled in courses at the institution after the declaration of the state of emergency on March 13, 2020. Eligibility for specific awards is determined by current enrollment at the time the award is made. Those enrolled will be automatically awarded on a tiered basis as determined by the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) on their FAFSA application; Pell-eligible students were identified as students with "exceptional need" and will receive priority as specified under ARP legislation. Students enrolled in Career and College Promise (CCP) or Continuing Education programs are also eligible to obtain funds.