



## **HEERF Student Share Report as of 03/31/2022 – revised 05/05/2022**

### **Overview**

Minnesota State University Moorhead was approved to receive \$1,759,267 through the Federal CARES Act, \$1,759,267 through the Federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and \$5,187,282 through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP). These three programs comprise the basis of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF). Minnesota State University Moorhead has completed a Certification and Agreement with the U.S. Department of Education which, among other requirements, assures that no less than 50 percent of these funds will be used to provide direct Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students impacted by the coronavirus and subsequent declaration of a National Emergency.

### **Distribution**

In the first quarter of 2022, Minnesota State University Moorhead distributed \$99,913 of ARP student share funding to 87 students through direct Emergency Financial Aid grants to students.

In total, the distribution of relief funding through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF), Minnesota State University Moorhead has awarded Emergency Financial Aid Grants is \$6,779,046.

### **Eligibility**

Both CRRSAA and ARP require that institutions prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who receive Pell Grants or undergraduates with extraordinary financial circumstances, in awarding emergency financial aid grants to students. While all students enrolled after March 13, 2020 are eligible, priority will be given to students based on current guidance from the U.S. Department of Education who have emergency financial needs related to the pandemic.

Since January 1, 2021, Minnesota State University Moorhead enrolled approximately 7,690 students who were eventually determined to be eligible for HEERF funding (7,220 from 2021 and 470 new additional students from Spring 2022).

### **Process**

Funds for this quarter were from a portion of the funding that was retained for distribution through the Student Emergency Assistance Fund process. Eligible students who had additional expenses such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care are able to complete a brief

application. Most often, these emergency funds are disbursed directly to the student. Applications are reviewed on a weekly basis until funds are expended.