

Northwestern Michigan College use of Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds

Quarterly Report for the period ended March 31, 2022

ARPA HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND - HEERF III

On May 24, 2021 NMC signed and returned the Certification and Agreement to participate in the additional HEERF, made available through the American Rescue Plan Act, 2021 (ARPA). NMC was allocated a total of \$7,212,333 in HEERF III; \$3,532,817 for institutional support and NMC is obligated to spend at least \$3,679,516 for direct grants to students.

This serves as NMC's quarterly report on HEERF III Emergency Financial Aid direct student grants distributed to students from January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022:

- Total amount distributed to students during the quarter: \$77,914
- Estimate the total number of NMC students who were eligible to receive HEERF III Grants during the quarter: 478
- Total number of students (unduplicated) who received HEERF III Grants: 478

For the ARPA awarding, NMC used information from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to prioritize students with financial need. We did not use an application, but auto-awarded students. In order to re-award funds that were available due to cancelled awards for uncashed checks, we split the funds among all enrolled students with 0 EFC on their 2122 FAFSA.

Students were notified by college email a few days in advance of the disbursement amount and the allowable uses of the funds.