## <Priority Group #1 Text>



LIM ARP Act – HEERF III Emergency Grant Award Notification

November 15, 2021	
Dear,	

LIM College is participating in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, which established the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III). The College received notification that our application for HEERF III funds was approved, which must all be used to "make financial aid grants to students (including students exclusively enrolled in distance education), which may be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care."

LIM College, based on current guidance from the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE), must give priority consideration to students with exceptional financial need in the awarding of ARP Act - HEERF III funds. LIM's Office of Student Financial Services is authorized to identify students with exceptional financial need, based on having a valid 2021-2022 FAFSA on file with the College, and to select such students to receive a HEERF III Emergency Grant award offer. We have established the following two exceptional need groups: <a href="Priority Group #1">Priority Group #1</a>: Students who meet Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria in the 2021-2022 Academic Year and <a href="Priority Group #2">Priority Group #2</a>: Non-Pell Grant Eligible Students with demonstrated Unmet Financial Need (based on 2021-2022 FAFSA data).

We are pleased to notify you that you meet the College's Priority Group #1 eligibility criteria to receive a Tier I ARP Act – HEERF III Emergency Grant Award Offer of \$825.00.

To accept this offer and authorize disbursement of your HERF III Emergency Grant Award of \$825.00 you are required to complete, electronically sign, and submit the LIM College ARP Act - HERF III Grant - Attestation & Certification Form (click link) within 30 days of receipt of this award notification. This Attestation and Certification form takes just a few minutes and stipulates that you confirm your exceptional need for this award amount and provide acknowledgment that you will use these fun for acceptable and approved purposes.

Please note, you also have the <u>option</u> to authorize the Office of Student Financial Services (SFS) to apply some or all of your award funds towards payment of an existing tuition balance at the College.

Once your HEERF III Grant - Attestation and Certification Form is successfully submitted and received, the Office of Student Financial Services (SFS) will apply this award to your LIM account based on your instructions. The SFS Office will then process all of these funds as a student refund to you unless you stipulated that you want some or all of your award applied to a current LIM tuition balance. Your refund will be issued based on the preferred method of funds transfer that you setup with ECSI (i.e. direct deposit or paper check). If you haven't setup a payment preference with ECSI yet please do so at <a href="https://www.heartland.ecsi.net">www.heartland.ecsi.net</a> and click "Register." Your Heartland KEY can be found in the e-mail sent you from ECSI. If you elect to receive a paper check, please make sure that your address info in your Heartland ECSI account is up to date based on where you are currently residing or where you know you will securely receive your mail.

We understand that some students may have further COVID-19 related eligible expenses. As such, the College has created an <u>application process</u> for students to request consideration for additional assistance - HEERF III – Tier III Emergency Grants - by completing a separate LIM College - ARP Act - HEERF III – Tier III Application & Certification Form, which will be available on the LIM website in late November/early December (keep an eye out for a separate email announcement). Please note, these Tier III Emergency Grant funds are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and submission of an application is not a guarantee of award eligibility or approval.

We are happy to provide assistance to you with these essential Federal ARP Act – HEERF III Emergency Grant funds. If you have questions about this award or the Tier III application process, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Please continue to stay safe and know that the College is here to do all we can to assist you.

Best regards,

Erik Paulson
Vice President of Finance and Controller

## <Priority Group #2 Text>



LIM ARP Act – HEERF III Emergency Grant Award Notification

November 15, 2021		
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LIM College is participating in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, which established the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III). The College received notification that our application for HEERF III funds was approved, which must all be used to "make financial aid grants to students (including students exclusively enrolled in distance education), which may be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care."

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We are pleased to notify you that you meet the College's Priority Group #2 eligibility criteria to receive a Tier II ARP Act — HEERF III Emergency Grant Award Offer of \$500.00.

To accept this offer and authorize disbursement of your HEERF III Emergency Grant Award of \$500.00 you are required to complete, electronically sign, and submit the LIM College ARP Act - HEERF III Grant - Attestation & Certification Form (click link) within 30 days of receipt of this award notification. This Attestation and Certification form takes just a few minutes and stipulates that you confirm your exceptional need for this award amount and provide acknowledgment that you will use these fun for acceptable and approved purposes.

Please note, you also have the <u>option</u> to authorize the Office of Student Financial Services (SFS) to apply some or all of your award funds towards payment of an existing tuition balance at the College.

Once your HEERF III Grant - Attestation and Certification Form is successfully submitted and received, the Office of Student Financial Services (SFS) will apply this award to your LIM account based on your instructions. The SFS Office will then process all of these funds as a student refund to you unless you stipulated that you want some or all of your award applied to a current LIM tuition balance. Your refund will be issued based on the preferred method of funds transfer that you setup with ECSI (i.e. direct deposit or paper check). If you haven't setup a payment preference with ECSI yet please do so at <a href="https://www.heartland.ecsi.net">www.heartland.ecsi.net</a> and click "Register." Your Heartland KEY can be found in the e-mail sent you from ECSI. If you elect to receive a paper check, please make sure that your address info in your Heartland ECSI account is up to date based on where you are currently residing or where you know you will securely receive your mail.

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Best regards,

Erik Paulson
Vice President of Finance and Controller