Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) II and III Reporting For the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) and <u>American Rescue Plan (ARP)</u> Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Touro College hereby certifies that it signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and intends to use the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) program to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

Touro College has received a total of **\$14,925,499** from the Department pursuant to the Institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter).

As of the date of this 30-day Report Submission, Touro College has distributed **\$3,779,440** to students under CRRSAA and **\$5,679,188** under ARP.

The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs

9,388 students were estimated as eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

1,748 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs.

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and programs.

Touro College has developed a system based on federal guidance, for determining how to allocate these funds, in an equitable and non-discriminatory manner to students with exceptional need. The method included distributing the funds to all students who met the Department of Education eligibility criteria to cover expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care). These funds were made available with limited barriers to receipt to students who were:

o enrolled in the Summer and/or Fall 2021 semester

According to Touro's criteria, each student who received HEERF Funds in the period received an average of **\$2,815.66**

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

• Touro sent an electronic application to all eligible students via student email, designed to identify financial hardship due to COVID 19 in a couple of different categories, job loss, housing, food, childcare, and healthcare.

- Students received instructions letting them know that if they wished to opt-out of receipt of these funds then they did not need to complete the application.
- Students were given the option to apply their funds to their tuition balance or directly receive the funds.
- A Frequently Asked Questions sheet was also posted on Touro's Help Desk website to answer questions students may have had.