Ozarka College Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Grants to Students

On April 26, 2020, Ozarka College signed and returned the certification and agreement for the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act – Student Aid Portion to the U.S. Department of Education. This authorized Ozarka College to provide emergency financial aid grants to students who have been impacted by the Coronavirus. Ozarka College recieved \$398,538 in CARES Act Funding.

On December 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations ACT (CRRSAA) authorized the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II), which provided Ozarka College with an additional \$398,538 for emergency financial aid grants to students.

On March 11, 2021 the American Rescue Plan of 2021 (ARP) was signed into law and authorized the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III). Ozarka College recieved \$1,573,328 from this funding for eligible students.

For all three categories of funding, eligible students were identified as:

- Undergraduate student enrolled in a degree seeking program during the semester in which the grant was awarded.
- Eligible for funding under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965

Eligible students were notified via the myOzarka student portal, social media and via email. They were asked to accept or decline the funding through the questionaire provided in the student portal.

Information regarding the number of students and total amounts disbursed per quarter can be found in the table below.

Total Amount of Funds Authorized under Section 18004(a)(1) Student Aid Portion - \$2,370,404										
			Disbursement		Number of Eligible Students		Number of Students that received		Total Amou	
	Quarter		Date				Grants		Disbursed	
	Q2 2020		5/12/2020		654		633		\$	398,538
	Q2 2021		4/16/2021		447		447		\$	398,538
	Q3 2021		9/15/2021		574		553		\$	786,664
	Q4 2021		n/a		n/a		n/a			n/a
	Q1 2022		3/4/2022		490		490		\$	786,664

Reported as of: April 7, 2022