June 30 Quarterly Reporting Period January 1, 2021-March 31, 2021 (Q1)

(1)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) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

In March 2020, Congress passed the U.S. Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which included the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). The fund provides support to eligible students who have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. This relief funding was designed to provide emergency financial assistance to help with technology, course material, housing, and food insecurities. For detailed information regarding the fund, please visit the following websites:

In order to receive the emergency funding, Howard Community College (HCC) submitted the required certification agreeing to use no less than 50% of the funding as emergency financial aid grants to students.

(2) 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) and (a)(4) programs.

HCC was approved and received initial student relief funding in the amount of \$2.4 million in April 2020 from the Corona Virus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 2020 (CARES). A second supplemental award amount of \$2.4 million from the Corona Virus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSSA) was issued in January 2021 and a third supplemental award amount of \$8.8 million from the American Rescue Plan, 2021 (ARP) was issued in May 2021 for a total of \$13,688,500.

- (3) The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter). \$3,557,544.00 to date
- (4) 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) and (a)(4) programs. See Chart 1.
- (5) The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs. 3842 to date

(6) 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 (a)(4) programs.

Students who were enrolled at the time of awarding in at least 1 registered credit hour with a completed FAFSA on file and were eligible for a Pell Grant award, automatically received the relief funding. Students enrolled in at least 1 registered credit hour who had a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file at the time of awarding but were not Pell Grant eligible, received a survey to complete to determine eligibility. Based on the survey responses, students who were deemed eligible were also awarded grants. Students were deemed eligible if they indicated on the survey they had been impacted by the pandemic.

HCC awarded individual students emergency relief funds by utilizing the expected family contribution (EFC) from the FAFSA. Students with the most need (lowest EFC) were awarded the maximum amount. Award amounts were determined based on the number of eligible students and the allotment utilized for that period of awarding.

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

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Chart 1.

HEERF Award	Count of Eligible Recipients	Count of Recipients	Amount Disbursed
HEERF I	-	80	\$47,920.00
HEERF II	-	1841	\$1,171,023.00
Total amount & unduplicated count	4140	1854	\$1,218,943.00