The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) is authorized by the American Rescue Plan (ARP), which was signed into law on March 11, 2021. HEERF III provides additional support to institutions of higher learning to continue to serve students during COVID-19. The amount allocated to Capella University is based on Capella's number of Federal Pell Grant recipients. Under HEERF III guidelines, 100% of the funds received by proprietary schools (e.g., Capella University) must be paid directly to learners.

In fulfillment of U.S. Department of Education (ED) reporting requirements, Capella University is publicly reporting the following:

An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned the Grant Award Notification (GAN) & the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, 100% of the funds received to provide HEERF III grants to learners.

Capella University acknowledges signing and returning the Grant Award Notification (GAN) for learner funding to ED. Capella received its allocation of HEERF III funds on June 14, 2021.

The total amount of HEERF III funds the institution will receive or has received from ED.

Capella University has received $184,323.00.

The total amount of HEERF III funds distributed to learners.

Capella University paid an equal amount to all 840 eligible learners. Each learner received $219.43 (totaling $184,321.20) on June 17, 2021. At the close of the grant period, the remaining $1.80 will be de-obligated to Capella University and refunded back to ED.

The method(s) used by the institution to determine which learners receive HEERF III grants and the amount they would receive.

Capella University used completed 2020/2021 FAFSA data to determine the population of GuidedPath learners who received HEERF III funds, and either completed 2019/2020 or 2020/2021 FAFSA data for FlexPath learners. Specifically, Capella selected learners who met all of the following criteria:

- Zero EFC (Expected Family Contribution)
- An AGI (Adjusted Gross Income) between $1 and $15,000
- Undergraduate learners with Spring 2021 course registration – for GuidedPath learners, this meant that they were registered for a Spring 2021 course as of April 8, 2021; for FlexPath learners, this meant that they were actively enrolled in a course on April 26, 2021

Instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to learners concerning the HEERF III grants.

Capella University sent payment notifications, via email, to the 840 HEERF III grant recipients on June 17, 2021.