

Reporting Requirements for Student Portion of the CRRSAA Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds II (HEERF II)

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020, provides funding to qualified students through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF II).

Atlanta's John Marshall Law School (AJMLS) is committed to doing everything in our power to help our students overcome academic and financial barriers on their paths to graduation. To this end, the law school has both requested and received resources from the CARES Act to support our students during this difficult time.

- 1. Acknowledgement:** Institutions who received HEERF I grant funds under the CARES Act were not required to submit an application for the HEERF II grants. AJMLS received its HEERF II Grant Award Notification on February 16, 2021. In keeping with the terms of acceptance of these funds, AJMLS will use no less than \$134,469.00, as stated under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA, to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants directly to students.
- 2. Total Funding:** The CRRSAA includes a HEERF (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II) that provides emergency funding to students. The total amount of funds that AJMLS has received is **\$134,469.00**.
- 3. Total Amount Distributed:** As of March 17, 2021, AJMLS has distributed Emergency Financial Aid Grants in the amount of \$134,469.00 to all students that applied. Grant disbursements were made through direct deposit payments to the students' personal bank accounts.
- 4. Total number of students eligible:** There were a total of 243 students that were eligible to apply for emergency grant funding.
- 5. Total number of students who received funding:** There were 163 applications received, of which all 163 students were eligible and have received emergency funding.
- 6. How Amounts and Eligible Students were Determined:** Under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, our student selection was determined by: 1) having students sign and submit a self-

certification form; 2) having the Office of Financial Aid to review each application for eligibility; and 3) selecting students who have completed a the self-certification form, excluding any Undocumented students, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) students and international students.

The method used by AJMLS: To determine the amount for each student was to divide the total amount of funding by the total amount of eligible applications received by the deadline to establish the maximum amount that could be distributed to each student (“Maximum Allocation Amount”). Any student who requested less than the Maximum Allocation Amount received the lesser amount as indicated on their self-certification form. Students who requested more than the Maximum Allocation Amount received only the Maximum Allocation Amount. Any students that applied after the March 12, 2021, deadline were awarded equal amounts determined by dividing the total amount of remaining CARES funds by the number of students that applied after the deadline. No student received more than the Maximum Allocation Amount.

- 7. Guidance Provided to Students:** AJMLS sent an email to the student body with an attached self-certification form instructing them to complete and submit it by Friday, March 12, 2021 to financialaid@johnmarshall.edu if they have incurred COVID-19 related expenses.