

*****STUDENT Resource Update:
HEERF II COVID-19 Emergency Relief Funding Exhausted—April 26, 2021*****

Dear NMC Students—

In mid-February, NMC received its allocation of HEERF II COVID-19 Emergency Relief Funds. Since, NMC has worked to distribute over \$360,000 in student emergency financial aid grants. HEERF II funds were meant to provide short-term assistance to students. This message is notification that available HEERF II funds have been exhausted and HEERF II applications are now closed.

NMC recognizes that many of you continue to face challenges due to COVID-19. In the coming weeks, I will be announcing an opportunity for additional student emergency grant funding provided through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) signed into law on March 11, 2021. The ARP provides for education stabilization through emergency funding to institutions of higher education through Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF III).

Once available and in accordance with federal regulations, NMC will make HEERF III financial aid grants to students, which can be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as **tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care**. NMC will **prioritize students with exceptional need**. HEERF III COVID-19 emergency relief funds also **allows for emergency grants to students exclusively enrolled in distance education**. Students will again have the option to have relief funds to apply directly to their student accounts. The NMC COVID-19 Resource webpage will be updated as information becomes available regarding eligibility, application and grant distribution.

MORE Student Resources Available.

Further, NMC has additional student resources available.

- ❖ NMC's **Food Pantry** remains open and available for curbside pickup. You can access the order form [here](#).
- ❖ **Student Assistance Program (SAP)**—Free confidential counseling services are available for NMC on ground and online students and their spouse and dependents. 24/7/365 days of the year (nights and weekends, too). Call (402) 354-8020 or (800) 776-6233 to connect with a counselor.
- ❖ **Methodist Foundation Student Crisis Fund**—See Julie Raether @ Julianne.Raether@methodistcollege.edu for more information and application.
- ❖ **Campus Counseling**—Appointments via Zoom or phone. Contact Kathy Dworak at Kathy.Dworak@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **Dean of Students**—Contact Sarah Murphy at Sarah.Murphy@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **Academic Advising**—Schedule an appointment via your advisor's Calendly link.
- ❖ **Academic Success, ADA accommodations**—Contact Lisa Flairty at Lisa.Flairty@methodistcollege.edu or Stacey Nelson at Stacey.Nelson@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **TRIO SSS**—Contact Lisa Johnson at Lisa.Johnson2@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **Spiritual Resources**—Contact Kim Haizlip at Kimberly.Haizlip@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **Student Engagement**—Contact Jenny Christian at Jennifer.Christian@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **Campus Housing**—Contact your RAs or Jennifer Harm at Jennifer.Harm@methodistcollege.edu
- ❖ **Financial Aid Office**—If you are experiencing financial hardship, the Financial Aid team is here to help. [Click here](#) to contact a Financial Aid counselor.

Please reach out for further information to Lindsay Snipes, Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness at Lindsay.Snipes@methodistcollege.edu regarding HEERF II or availability of HEERF III emergency relief funding. Take care and finish this spring semester strong!

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