Dear SLCC Student,

Thank you for enrolling in courses at South Louisiana Community College during the Spring 2023 semester. In an effort to serve students and ensure learning continuity during the COVID-19 pandemic, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) gave the U.S. Department of Education funds to distribute to institutions of higher education through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III). Additional aid was distributed through the Supplemental Support under the American Rescue Plan (SSARP) program. As a result of this provision, you have been selected to receive this SSARP award because you were actively enrolled in an eligible program at SLCC during the Spring 2023 semester.

Students in the following categories are **NOT** eligible to receive the emergency funds:

•         Students who are incarcerated

•         Cross-enrolled students whose “home institution” is not SLCC

•         High School/Dual Enrolled students

•         Adult Basic Education students

•         Visiting and Non-Matriculating students

•         Noncredit students

HEERF III funds will be posted to your student account on or around June 9, 2023. If you have selected your refund preference in Bank Mobile, no further action is required to receive these funds. If you have not selected a refund preference in Bank Mobile, please be sure that your information is updated with Bank Mobile as soon as possible to prevent delays in receiving these emergency funds.

Emergency financial aid grants may be used for any component of the cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare. As the recipient of these funds, you can determine how to use this emergency financial aid grant within the allowable uses. To opt out of receiving these emergency funds, please complete the [HEERF III OPT-OUT](https://solacc.jotform.com/220793556547163) form no later than June 8, 2023.

If you have any questions, please email us at CARESQuestions@solacc.edu or see the frequently asked questions document attached. You may also visit SLCC’s [COVID-19 Update Center](https://www.solacc.edu/updates) for more information on the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, SSARP, and the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund.

Sincerely,

