Truman State University has signed and returned the 'Recipient's Funding Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students' form. The university has received \$4,542,657 for the student portion of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III), the American Rescue Plan (ARP). These funds are to be provided as emergency financial aid to eligible students with '*exceptional need*' as it relates to the cost of attendance at Truman State University, such as tuition, food, housing, books and supplies, transportation, personal, heath care and child care, or emergency costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As of June 30, 2021, \$34,250 has been disbursed to 137 students (26 students for check refunds totaling \$6,500 and 111 students for pending direct deposit refunds totaling \$27,750).

The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to receive an emergency financial aid grant is 3,357.

Based on Department of Education guidance, degree seeking Summer 2021 Pell Grant eligible students who were enrolled in summer classes starting prior to July 1, 2021 were automatically awarded a block grant amount.

These students were not required to submit an ARP application to receive grant funds. Additional Summer 2021 Pell Grant eligible block grant disbursements are pending for students enrolled in summer classes beginning after July 1, 2021. Fall 2021 ARP grant eligibility and disbursements are being determined.

Pell Grant eligible students were determined to receive ARP (HEERF III) funding due to 'exceptional need' as it relates to the cost of attendance at Truman State University, such as tuition, food, housing, books and supplies, transportation, personal, heath care and child care, or emergency costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic. These students were awarded \$250 to assist with costs related to summer enrollment. An email was sent to them explaining the ARP grant and award amount.