Dear Student,

On March 2021, Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. This act allocates funding to higher education institutions for the purpose of providing Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF III) Grants to eligible students. Great Basin College has been allocated \$1,255,954.00 to provide eligible students with emergency student aid which can be used for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care.

Great Basin College is awarding HEERF III grants this Fall to students in two rounds. The first round which will be disbursed on August 2, 2021 will be for students enrolled at least six credits in the Fall 2021 semester and also registered for Spring 2021. The second round will be available to students with verified attendance after September 5, 2021, enrolled in at least six credits for Fall 2021.

Funds will be prioritized for students with exceptional need such as those students who have a valid Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file or unmet need. To determine grant amounts distributed, a formula was used to address two factors, part-time and full-time status as well as a need-based analysis according to a completed FAFSA with awards up to \$500 for full-time status and \$250 for part-time status.

You will not need to apply for these funds. Funds will automatically be distributed to those students who meet the eligibility requirements. If you have questions regarding eligibility or exceptional need circumstances please contact the Financial Aid Department at <a href="mailto:financial-aid@gbcnv.edu">financial-aid@gbcnv.edu</a>.

Sincerely,

Jake Rivera Vice President for Student and Academic Affairs Great Basin College