

# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

## Ohio received nearly \$1.2 billion for 230 colleges and universities including \$305 million for community colleges due to the American Rescue Plan

Today, the Department of Education announced that colleges and universities in **Ohio have received nearly \$1.2 billion in American Rescue Plan funds – one of the largest one-time infusions of funding ever provided to the state’s colleges and universities.** These funds were provided through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) over the past year.

**The American Rescue Plan requires half of these funds to be used to provide direct financial relief to students; the Department of Education expects far more will ultimately be used for that purpose.** In addition to \$1.1 billion provided under previous coronavirus relief legislation, these funds are already being used by colleges and universities in Ohio to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds are already having a significant impact on institutions and students:

- A [recent survey of college presidents by the American Council on Education](#) found HEERF enabled:
  - **93% of colleges to provide direct financial support** to students at risk of dropping out
  - **81% of colleges to keep student net prices similar to pre-pandemic levels**
  - **70% of colleges to continue to employ faculty, staff, and other employees** otherwise at risk of unemployment
  - **63% of colleges to keep students and faculty safe** by purchasing COVID-19 tests, health screenings, and health care
- Thousands of colleges and universities all across the country are **using HEERF to keep students enrolled and on track to graduate, as well as make college more affordable**, by providing emergency grants, discharging outstanding student debt or unpaid balances, and eliminating transcript withholding practices.

As part of a state-by-state breakdown of funding, the Administration reported that these American Rescue Plan funds included significant investments in key institutions in Ohio, including:

- **Approximately \$305 million for community colleges**
- **Over \$34 million for 2 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)**
- **Nearly \$1 million for 1 Minority-Serving Institution (MSI)** – which includes Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Predominantly Black Institutions, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions, Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions, and Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions.

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**Community colleges in Ohio** receiving American Rescue Plan funds include:

- Columbus State Community College: \$52,982,797
- Cuyahoga Community College: \$43,449,775
- Sinclair Community College: \$32,978,918
- Stark State College: \$22,345,516
- Lorain County Community College: \$20,429,355

**HBCUs in Ohio** receiving American Rescue Plan funds include:

- Central State University: \$25,880,482
- Wilberforce University: \$8,123,992

**MSIs in Ohio** receiving American Rescue Plan funds include:

- Union Institute & University: \$838,182

**Examples of other colleges and universities in Ohio** receiving American Rescue Plan funds include:

- Ohio State University (The): \$115,371,387
- University of Cincinnati: \$69,995,422
- Kent State University: \$63,870,126
- Ohio University: \$52,817,422
- University of Akron (The): \$40,053,453



## APPENDIX

### ARP HEERF Provided by Congressional District

**Ohio Total: \$1,182,235,268**

- OH, District 01: \$107,011,065
- OH, District 02: \$17,925,988
- OH, District 03: \$192,925,107
- OH, District 04: \$62,143,302
- OH, District 05: \$78,501,859
- OH, District 06: \$41,094,779
- OH, District 07: \$29,982,897
- OH, District 08: \$61,806,206
- OH, District 09: \$52,178,325
- OH, District 10: \$124,768,403
- OH, District 11: \$107,863,197
- OH, District 12: \$34,878,037
- OH, District 13: \$144,644,621
- OH, District 14: \$20,983,414
- OH, District 15: \$72,182,320
- OH, District 16: \$33,345,748