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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

## **FOIA Service Center**

October 18, 2022

Ms. Isabel Tessier National Student Legal Defense Network 1015 15th St NW #600 Washington, DC 20005

RE: FOIA Request No. 22-01564-F

Dear Isabel Tessier:

This letter is a final response to your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, dated January 14, 2022, and received in this office on January 14, 2022. Your request was forwarded to the Federal Student Aid (FSA) to search for documents that may be responsive to your request.

You requested the following: A log, consisting of every letter of credit held by the Department as of December 31, 2021, that has been posted by, or on behalf of, any institution participating in one or more Title IV, HEA programs, including the following information:

- OPEID
- Institution Name
- State
- Institution Type
- Institution Fiscal Year End Date
- LOC Request Date
- Reason LOC Requested
- LOC Received Date
- LOC Amount
- LOC Percent Requested
- Notes

The request was forwarded to Program Participants and Oversight for assignment to Participant Eligibility and Oversight to conduct a comprehensive search for responsive records.

Available for Public Access Link (PAL) download are 15 pages of documents responsive to your request. The documents are as follows:

FSA Currently Held Letters of Credit as of 12.31.2021

You can access your PAL account at this link: https://foiaxpress.pal.ed.gov/app/PalLogin.aspx

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Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover the costs pertaining to your request. The Department has concluded that you fall within the category of Other. The Department has provided you with this information at no charge, as you were granted a fee waiver. The Department's release of this information at no cost does not constitute the grant of a fee waiver and does not infer or imply that you will be granted a fee waiver for future requests made under FOIA to the Department.

You have the right to seek further assistance from the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, Robert Wehausen. The Department's FOIA Public Liaison can be reached by email at <a href="mailto:robert.wehausen@ed.gov">robert.wehausen@ed.gov</a>; by phone at 202-205-0733; by fax at 202-401-0920; or by mail at Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, 7C132, Washington, DC 20202-4500, Attn: FOIA Public Liaison.

If you have any questions, please contact the FSC at (202) 401-8365 or EDFOIAMANAGER@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

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