CARES Act Emergency Grant Application

The CARES Act Emergency Grant Application is used to determine student eligibility for emergency grants from The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. These grants funds are provided to assist Illinois State University students with expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

In order to qualify for funds from the federal CARES Act, the federal government requires students must be eligible for Title IV aid. In order to determine this eligibility, students must file the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). If a student has not filed the 2020-2021 FAFSA, they are encouraged to submit a FAFSA immediately. Students who are not eligible to file the FAFSA may still submit an emergency grant application for consideration of non-federal funds. At this time, we are processing applications for students enrolled for the fall 2020 term.

This application may be submitted for a request for a grant up to $500 to help those items selected below.

During review of your application, you may be requested to provide additional information or supporting documentation for those items selected below to help explain your needs and specific circumstances.

The application will be reviewed by committee and students will be notified of decision by email notification. This review may take up to two weeks. If you have questions about the application or process you may email FinancialAid@IllinoisState.edu or call the Financial Aid Office at (309) 438-2231.

If you are approved for a CARES Act emergency grant it will be timelier received if you are enrolled in the E-Refunds process through Illinois State University’s Student Accounts Office. If you have not enrolled in E-Refunds we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. If your funds are processed as a check, this will take an additional 5-7 business days to receive.

Name

First Name

Last Name

ULID
Email*

Phone*

We will only use the phone number submitted here to contact you about your grant application.

Eligible expenses related to the coronavirus pandemic may be considered including those listed below. Please select the qualifying expenses that you have incurred due to this pandemic.

Qualifying Expenses*

☐ Increased food expenses related to the coronavirus pandemic

☐ Housing expenses related to relocation due to coronavirus pandemic (this does not include the standard housing expenses incurred for college)

☐ Increased course materials/technology costs related to the transition to online courses

☐ Medical or health care expenses you incurred due to the coronavirus

☐ Child care expenses due to disruption caused by the coronavirus pandemic

Financial Impact

☐ I have been laid off of my employment. (List employer name and impacted dates below)

☐ My income has been drastically decreased due to my hours being reduced. (List employer name below)

☐ I was working and am now unable to work due to COVID related illness, quarantine, or am a member of a vulnerable demographic affected by COVID (List employer name below)

If you have experienced loss of employment income due to the coronavirus pandemic, please select the appropriate box above.

Have you already submitted an application for an emergency grant?*

☐ Yes  ☐ No
Mailing Address Review

I certify that I have reviewed and changed my mailing address if it is no longer correct. I further understand that if I am approved for the funds and fail to change the mailing address to the correct one and a check is issued with an incorrect address that it could take up to 6 weeks for me to receive a replacement check. I also understand that if I recently signed up for eRefunds, that my bank account information may not be validated in time for these funds to be released to me and that they will be released in the form of a check to my mailing address.

Certification*

☐ I have read and agree to the Mailing Address Review statement above.