

Emergency Grant Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Do emergency grant funds have to be repaid?

A: No.

Q: How soon will I know if my request is granted?

A: Student Financial Services' goal is to review the requests within 1 week of a complete request being submitted.

Q: How will I be notified?

A: Student Financial Services will send an email to your TLU email address when additional information is needed, your request is approved, and your check mailed.

Q: Do I need to physically sign my request form?

A: Yes, typed and electronic signatures are not acceptable.

Q: Do I need to file the FAFSA?

A: Yes. We must have either a 2019-20 or a 2020-21 FAFSA on file to confirm your Title IV eligibility.

Q: I lost my job; can I be reimbursed for lost pay?

A: No, but you can request funds to help you pay expenses that you would have paid with your earnings.

Q: What types of expenses may I submit for the grant?

A: Expenses that you have as a result of COVID-19 and campus closure such as: computer, printer, paper, ink, rent, electricity and other utilities, food, shipping for book return, etc.

Q: Can I just submit the receipts?

A: No, you must also submit a signed Emergency Aid Request Form.

Q: What can I submit to document rent if I'm not on the lease or utility bills?

A: Ask the person you are paying rent to for a signed statement detailing what you pay.

Q: If I need to purchase equipment to finish my class, may I request reimbursement?

A: Yes, as long as the expense is reasonable and needed for the class.

Q: Can I request funds to pay my parents' expenses.

A: Depends. You cannot request funds to pay their mortgage or car payment, but you can request funds for the increased costs of food, electricity, etc. To document these, you will need to submit copies of those bills both before and after you returned home.

Q: Is this grant taxable?

A: Unknown at this time. We suggest you consult with your tax preparer at the time of filing to see what the IRS is saying regarding taxability.