

Subject: CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds

Hello,

You have been identified as an eligible student to receive the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds. These funds are intended to reimburse expenses you incurred as a result of the campus decision to suspend on-campus classes, having to complete the spring semester remotely and continued remote learning during the fall semester.

Recipients must be eligible for Title IV federal financial aid and amounts were determined based on the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) calculated on the 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

These funds are being paid through financial aid and your student account. By accepting these funds you certify:

- You are currently enrolled at least half-time in the fall semester.
- You incurred expenses as a result of COVID-19 and the disruption to campus operations. These expenses include but are not limited to: housing relocation, loss of food subsidy to address food insecurity, increased utilities, technology (hardware or software) and additional course materials.

Please contact the financial aid office if you would prefer to decline this funding for any reason.

Funds will be paid to students through your student financial account but will not be applied to any account charges. If you have direct deposit, the funds will be issued to your bank account as soon as possible. If you do not have direct deposit, it could take up to 2 weeks for you to receive a check in the mail. We always recommend that students set up [direct deposit](#), if possible. Please confirm your mailing address is up-to-date.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Will additional funds be available for future semesters?

No, the funds distributed for the fall semester exhaust the available CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds for students allocated to Boise State University.

Are these funds taxable?

These funds are not taxable according to the IRS. See their CARES Act emergency grant [FAQ website](#) for more information.

My friend didn't file the FAFSA and has incurred expenses due to the disruption of campus operations. Can they receive funds?

Unfortunately, Boise State University's allocated funds have been exhausted with the distribution in the fall semester.

Please refer to the [Financial Aid Office's CARES Act information website](#) for more information.

Sincerely,

Financial Aid and Scholarships Team
Boise State University