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Dear Students,

You are receiving this message as a University College student who is not a WashU employee.

It's hard to believe it has been over a month since we moved our work and operations online, and as always, we hope you are faring well and staying safe. Though we aren't together in-person, in moments like these we are reminded that we must stick together as a community. To that end, we are here to support you, and we hope you will let us know how we might be able to help you during this time.

We also know that some of you are still feeling quite unsettled — whether it be because of your home environment, feelings of isolation, financial, job, or food security, or other health-related concerns. For those of you for whom that's the case, please know that we want to do everything we can to support you during this time. And one of those ways is through the **WashU Crisis Response Fund for Students**.

The WashU Crisis Response Fund for Students is designed to provide financial assistance to Washington University students who, as a result of unexpected additional costs or loss of income, need emergency financial support to pay for essential needs, such as housing, food, and medicine, between May 1, 2020 and May 15, 2020. Students who applied for the previous Crisis Response Fund for Students are invited to apply for resources again, whether or not they received funding, but a new application is required at the link below.

The WashU Crisis Response Fund for Students will endeavor to help provide funding to be used toward essential needs that Student Financial Services, School-based funds, and other additional support funds are unable to address. The following list includes some examples of categories that could be considered an essential need for a student and that may fall within the parameters for funding:

- Unexpected expenses for Non-University owned housing, including unexpected rent and utilities (students in on-campus University housing should contact reslife@wustl.edu; students in off-campus Quadrangle housing should contact quadrangle@wustl.edu)
- Groceries
- Medicine
- Unreimbursed co-pays for physical or mental health services

Please visit <https://webportalapp.com/sp/login/washu-studentcovidfund-may> for complete details on the WashU Crisis Response Fund for Students. If you wish to submit a request for a stipend, please carefully review the instructions on the form to ensure we can properly prioritize and respond to requests. **The deadline to submit a request for a stipend is Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 5:00pm Central Time.** While we will make every effort to offer

some emergency funding for stipend requests that meet the criteria laid out above, we know that it will not be possible for us to grant every request. Some students will need to rely upon non-university resources to meet their needs. If you have questions about the Fund, please email studentcovidfund@wustl.edu.

As a University community, we hope that this Fund can help provide some additional financial assistance to our students that experience pandemic-related hardships. The challenges associated with this pandemic require community, and we are committed to being part of your support system.

Students who are also WashU employees should apply to the forthcoming employee fund.

We know this is tough. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me, Elizabeth Fogt (director of advising, efogt@wustl.edu), or Heather Corcoran (interim dean, hcorcoran@wustl.edu) directly.

Best wishes,

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