

Dear Old Westbury Panther,

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, funds have been made available through the American Relief Plan Act to award emergency grants to students for expenses related to any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus. These awards are in addition to grants awarded earlier under the CARES/CRRSAA Acts.

Eligible expenses include tuition & fees, food, housing, technology, health care (including mental health care), transportation, supplies, or childcare.

**Old Westbury has deemed you eligible to receive
an emergency grant in the amount of \$XXX.00**

These funds are to be paid directly to you to pay for any component of your cost of attendance and do not require you to complete an application. You will receive a direct payment of your emergency grant by electronic transfer to your bank account (if enrolled in e-Refund) or a check mailed to your address of record.

This grant is not a loan and will not need to be paid back, nor will it affect your financial aid award amounts for academic year 2021-2022. Please understand that it is your responsibility to notify the Bursar's Office immediately if you will not incur expenses that meet or exceed the amount of your emergency grant.

We recognize the financial impact on students and parents during these uncertain times and our intent is to disburse these grants to students as quickly as practicable to help defray some of the unanticipated costs caused by the coronavirus disruption.

Contact the Bursar's Office at bursar@oldwestbury.edu or the Financial Aid Office at financialaid@oldwestbury.edu if you need assistance. Additional information can be found in the HEERF Act Frequently Asked Questions posted in the HEERF Act website: [**https://www.oldwestbury.edu/heerf-act-frequently-asked-questions**](https://www.oldwestbury.edu/heerf-act-frequently-asked-questions)

Stay safe!

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On behalf of the SUNY Old Westbury CARES Act Committee