To: Rush University Students

Subj: Emergency Student Relief Funding for COVID-19, apply now!

Driven by our ICARE values, Rush University administration, staff and faculty understand that providing critical support to our student body during the COVID-19 pandemic is pivotal. As the University made a number of key decisions that prioritized student’s health and safety first, we further realized that several students were faced with unanticipated emergencies and costs as a result of COVID-19.

Effective immediately, students that demonstrate a financial need as a result of COVID-19 can apply for a one-time funding grant of up to $2000 per student. Emergency funding due to COVID-19 may be awarded in addition to the student’s current cost of attendance.

**Who Can Apply:** Currently enrolled students, regardless of whether they qualify for financial aid or not, who were enrolled at Rush University during the Spring 2020 term may apply for apply emergency grant assistance related to unexpected expenses.

* Students on a Leave of Absence (LOA) or Continuous Enrollment Status are ineligible to receive funding from this Emergency COVID-19 Relief Fund, however students who are expecting to have a gap in enrollment (LOA or continuous enrollment) during the next term are encouraged to apply now to see if funding can be made available to support that gap period.

**APPLICATION:** EMERGENCY COVID-19 RELIEF FUND APPLICATION

**Eligible Funding Uses:**

- Expenses related to emergency travel (domestic or international)
- New technology/internet connection
- Temporary housing
- Storage and moving
- Food
- Childcare/eldercare
- Utilities

**Non-Eligible Funding Uses:**

- Tuition, fees or outstanding balances
- Costs for entertainment, recreation, non-emergency travel
- Non-essential utilities (i.e. cable TV), furniture costs

The Office of Student Financial Aid will inform each student accordingly upon approval of the grant. If you have any questions please email them to Financial_Aid@rush.edu.