

# **COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Fund**

#### Dear Student,

St. John's University is pleased to share that we are in receipt of your application and **you have been awarded \$1,000 from the federal CARES Act.** We have worked tirelessly to ensure that as many students as possible are assisted through this funding.

This emergency financial assistance is intended to provide direct assistance as a one-time emergency grant, to assist with expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care.

The University will begin to process CARES Act funding within 3 business days of this email. **During this 3 business day period, we ask that you:** 

- 1. If you <u>are</u> currently setup for direct deposit, we ask that you double-check to ensure your account is still active.
- 2. If you <u>are not</u> currently set up for direct deposit, you are encouraged to sign up immediately using <u>these instructions</u> to expedite the receipt of funds.
  - a). Students who do not successfully sign up for direct deposit within this 3 business day window will be issued a check that will be mailed to the current home address on

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with the University. Please double-check to ensure that the address we have is current and correct.

Following this period, direct deposits will be issued within 3 business days and checks will be issued within 10 business days.

We send our continued prayers for the health and safety of you and your family, and we wish you the best as we move forward through this together.

Sincerely

The Office of Student Financial Services

# **CARES ACT Funding Questions and Answers**

#### What is the CARES Act?

The Coronavirus Aid, Reliefand Economic Security (CARES) Act allocates funds to support individuals and business/organizations impacted by COVID-19. The Act provides funds for universities, like St. John's.

#### Will the CARES Act funds affect my current financial aid?

This federal emergency grant is not intended to replace or supplement existing financial aid, and any funds received do not have to be repaid. Federal funds awarded are a one-time direct assistance grant.

### As a recipient of the CARES Act funds, how will I receive my funds?

After the above referenced 3 business day period, direct deposits will be issued within 3 business days and checks will be issued within 10 business days.

### How do I sign up for Direct Deposit?

Login to UIS and follow these directions.

#### Who can I contact if I have additional questions?

Additional questions can be directed to the University Customer Service Center at 718-990-2000 or emailed to studentfinancialserv@stjohns.edu.

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