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SPRING 2024 Student Housing Emergency Aid Grant Application

Student Information form with fields for Last Name, First Name, Middle, Student ID Number, Street Address, City, State, Zip Code, Phone Number, and Email Address.

Academic Information form with fields for Program of Study, Enrolled credit hours for Spring 2024, and Expected graduation semester.

Additional Information section containing attestation of COVID impact, lease agreement, FAFSA completion, and authorization for housing grants, with signature and date lines.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY section with fields for Date Received, Date Processed, and Initials.

About Student Housing Emergency Aid Grants

As a result of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) authorized by the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, eligible CGTC students have an opportunity to apply for additional funding to support student housing costs. Recipients of this grant will be prioritized based on exceptional need as determined by information submitted on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Who is eligible for Student Housing Emergency Aid Grants?

To be eligible to apply, students must be enrolled in regular credit courses at CGTC for spring semester 2024 and be at least 18 years old. Additionally, students must have experienced an impact related to the COVID-19 national health emergency affecting one or more areas of the student's cost of attendance such as tuition, food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, childcare, mental, or health expenses. Students must also have a signed lease agreement with the student housing provider, Lofts at Houston Central. Students must submit a completed application to be considered. Transient students are not eligible for Student Housing Emergency Aid grants.

How much will I receive if I am selected?

Each recipient of this grant will receive a standard amount of \$450 per month to support student housing for the period of enrollment up until May 2024. Student housing emergency aid grants will cease at the point the student is not enrolled in at least one credit course with CGTC, or May 31, 2024, whichever comes first. Funds are intended to supplement housing costs for students for the award period. Applicants should identify additional resources to ensure the total lease amount is covered. The first award will be disbursed following the college spring term no-show deadline.

What is required if I am selected to receive the Student Housing Emergency Aid Grant at CGTC?

Applicants selected to receive the grant must participate in individualized counseling to understand options available. Students must agree to a disbursement method for this grant and ensure all steps are completed depending on the method selected. Applicants who are selected to receive this grant will be contacted for an appointment for counseling prior to the award being disbursed.

Do Student Housing Emergency Aid Grants have to be paid back?

Funds awarded as a result of this process are grants, not loans, and do not have to be paid back. However, if a student receives the lump sum payment for student housing and subsequently withdraws from all classes or moves out of the Lofts at Houston Central, funds must be returned as they are only available to enrolled students who are residents of The Lofts. The amount to be returned will be prorated based on the student's enrollment and official withdrawal date.

Will this grant affect my Financial Aid award?

No. Student Emergency Aid grants are not considered Financial Aid. These grants are made available to students through a separate funding source to supplement eligible students' cost of attendance.

When and how will grant recipients be notified?

Students selected to receive this grant will be notified by the Office of Financial Literacy via student email after the application is approved and processed. Once the mandatory counseling session is completed, the student's account will be updated.

What happens if I must withdraw from my classes?

Students who fully withdraw from CGTC will no longer be eligible to receive the monthly grant, regardless of remaining award amount. If a student withdraws, the student forfeits the opportunity to receive funding and must work directly with the lease provider, Lofts at Houston Central, to determine eligibility to remain in student housing and identify resources to ensure lease obligations are met.

How do I submit my application for student housing grant funds?

Completed and signed applications can be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Literacy. In person, drop off in room A-106 at the Warner Robins campus or in the Admissions office in Macon or Milledgeville. Hand-signed, scanned copies of the application can be submitted via email to sglover@centralgatech.edu.