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Good afternoon SSW Students,

Some of you may be coping with the severe economic fallout due to the extraordinary public health emergency of COVID-19 that may be impacting your ability to attain your degree. We write about an important resource you may be able to access.

The **SBU Student Emergency Support Fund** provides direct and/or indirect resources to matriculated Stony Brook undergraduate and graduate students in need. Examples of need include:

- Housing Insecurity (homelessness or imminent risk of homelessness)
- Food Insecurity (lack of resources to sustain daily dietary and nutritional needs)
- Unexpected financial distress of a short-term nature, adversely impacting the student’s ability to continue as a student at Stony Brook
- Unmet need required to acquire educational materials and resources necessary to be successful in the academic environment

If you are in need, we encourage you to submit an application to the **Student Emergency Support Fund** today. The application is located here: [https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/basicneeds/get-help.php](https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/basicneeds/get-help.php)

**Important Note:** So that we may support and advocate for your submitted application to the hardship fund, please also complete this form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdb-jwT2PArdY8ARQ583D0S41Z-tumBw4UfOSQf7iS55BaWg/viewform?usp=sf_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdb-jwT2PArdY8ARQ583D0S41Z-tumBw4UfOSQf7iS55BaWg/viewform?usp=sf_link)

For additional support and guidance, please reach out to our Office of Student Services (631-444-3170); email: ssw_advising@stonybrook.edu; or your Professors. Your safety, health and wellbeing – and that of your loved ones – is our top priority. We will continue to do everything we can to support you during this difficult and uncertain time.

Sincerely,

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