

MSU OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT COVID-19 RESOURCE LIST

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MSU Direct Financial Assistance

[The Office of Financial Aid](#) offers short-term loans for students

[Division of Student Affairs & Services](#) Support Our Spartans (SOS) COVID Fund

An emergency fund to provide students financial support for unexpected expenses related to COVID-19. Students may apply at the above link. Contact Student Affairs and Services at 517-355-7535 or at sosemergencyfund@msu.edu.

College-Specific Emergency Funds

Many MSU colleges are actively raising funds to support their students with financial hardships. Contact your college's main administrative office for more details.

[The Graduate School](#) offers emergency funding

Renter's Assistance

[Student Legal Services](#)

(517) 353-3716, info@studentlegalservices.com

Free to undergraduate and graduate students.

[MSU Housing Clinic](#)

517-432-6880, clinic@law.msu.edu

[Capital Area Housing Partnership](#)

(517) 332-4663

Comprehensive COVID-19 resource page for homeowners and renters in Mid-Michigan. Call or go online to make an appointment to receive one-on-one advice.

Be Proactive

If you are struggling to make rent, contact your landlord or leasing office directly to discuss payment options and flexibility.

Additional Resources

[Stay Updated w/ Local COVID-19 News](#)

[City of East Lansing](#) & [City of Lansing](#)

[City of Lansing's Office of Financial Empowerment](#)

A dedicated page to your finances and COVID-19.

[MSU Student Food Bank](#)

foodbank@msu.edu, Available by appointment.

[MSU Safe Place](#)

(517) 355-1100, noabuse@msu.edu

Providing MSU affiliated persons experiencing relationship violence and stalking with supportive services and/or shelter.

[MSU Counseling & Psychiatric Services \(CAPS\)](#)

(517) 355-8270

MSU Students can call for a phone appointment.

For a complete list of MSU-based student resources, go to

<https://msu.edu/coronavirus/resources/>

State & Federal Financial Assistance

[Unemployment Insurance \(UI\)](#)

The federal government recently passed the CARES Act, which among other things, expanded the eligibility criteria for UI. If you are a Michigan resident, please go to the [Department of Labor & Economic Opportunity website](#) or call 866-500-0017 to find out if you qualify. Out-of-state residents, please refer to your home state's UI website for more details.

[Direct Federal Payments](#)

Under the recently passed CARES Act, individuals who earned less than \$75,000 last year (and couples who earned less than \$150,000) are eligible to receive a \$1200 direct payment from the Federal Government in the coming weeks. For more information and to see if and how you may benefit, visit the [City of Lansing's Office of Economic Empowerment website](#).