

IU Pandemic Health Disparities Fund

FAQ

Q1: I received approval for the IU Pandemic Health Disparities Fund. If I accept the funds, will it affect my financial aid for this year or the next school year?

No, accepting funds from the IU Pandemic Health Disparities Fund will not affect your financial aid package.

Q2: I received notification that my funding request is approved. What are the next steps, or how does all of this work?

The award will post to your Bursar account through the Office of Student Financial Assistance a few weeks following the award e-notice. These funds can help pay your medical bills, rent, utilities, technology, and other necessities so that you can continue making progress toward your academic degree. The award notice included a release form. You must sign and return the form to accept the funds.

Q3: Do I need to return that amount (loan) after some time?

No, you do not need to return the awarded funds at any time. Even if your financial situation changes, we will not ask you to return the funds.

Q4: Although I am very grateful for this, I applied for \$1200 to meet my financial needs. Unfortunately, \$900 isn't enough to purchase a new computer and take care of my books for my classes.

Funding decisions are based on financial aid eligibility and need assessment. If you still have funding needs, please visit your IU campus division of student affairs and financial aid office.

Q5: If I have a balance on my bursar account, will I still be able to use the award money that I'll receive?

Yes, you will receive your full award. No deduction for outstanding balances occurs.

Q6: I applied for financial support but did not receive funding. Why?

Students not meeting eligibility requirements (currently enrolled, degree-seeking students making satisfactory progress toward a degree) or are unable to accept funds without impacting their financial aid package will not receive funding.

Q7: I've applied for financial support but have not heard anything yet.

Application review with notification of award decision occurs within ten business days. If you have not heard back from us, please check your junk mail first and then contact us at dema@indiana.edu.

Q8: When will funding be deposited in my bursar account.

Students should contact the campus bursar office or student central with all questions concerning the deposit or release of funds from your bursar account.

Q9: Is the funding I received taxable?

Please direct all questions relating to the taxability of awards to your campus bursar office or student central.

Q10: I did not receive funding but am still in need. What do I do?

Due to the volume of quality applications received, the distribution of available funding is complete. Regretfully, we were unable to award your request. However, if you are still in need of financial support, please visit your IU campus division of student affairs or the Office of Student Financial Assistance.

Q11: I do not recall receiving a notice regarding the status of my application.

Each applicant received an email notification regarding the status of their funding application. If you do not recall receiving a message, please check your junk mail account. If you are still unable to find a notification, please contact dema@iu.edu.