

The Emergency Relief Fund Program was established to support the urgent needs of Teen Health Mississippi youth partners and young people ages 13 to 21 from across the state impacted by COVID-19. Funds are intended for young people who demonstrate an immediate need for interim housing, nutritional stipends, baby care items for expectant and parenting teens, transportation, medical care/supplies, and school supplies.

Funding for the Emergency Relief Fund Program is contingent upon demonstrated need and the availability of funds. We anticipate a large volume of applicants and cannot guarantee that all requests will be met.

# COVID-19 EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND PROGRAM HOW TO APPLY

To be considered for the Emergency Relief Fund Program, please submit an application. Applications can be submitted by using one of the following methods:

## OPTION A:

Scan Code



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## OPTION B:

By video/audio submission answering the questions on the application.

Video and audio applications must be submitted to justin@teenhealthms.org to be considered.

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# COVID-19 EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND PROGRAM FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Who can apply for the Emergency Relief Fund Program?

Any Teen Health Mississippi youth partner or Mississippi youth ages 13 to 21 who have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and can demonstrate a need for emergency relief.

#### How do I apply for assistance?

Apply for assistance online here. You can also complete an application by phone by calling 601-487-1228, or by submitting a video or audio file answering all of the questions in the application.

## What types of expenses can emergency relief awards cover?

These awards are intended to assist Teen Health Mississippi youth partners with housing, food/grocery, baby care items, transportation, medical care/supplies, and school supplies.

## How can I demonstrate my need for emergency relief?

Please complete the application and provide any additional supporting documentation (i.e. receipts, letters from your employer, bank account statements, etc.)

### I have a job. Can I still apply?

Yes. Even if you are currently employed, you still qualify as long as you can demonstrate a need for emergency relief.

## Can I apply on behalf of my child, student, or mentee?

No. Applications for emergency relief must be completed by the affected youth. Applications can be completed online here, by phone at 601-487-1228, or by video/ audio submission.

#### Can I apply more than once?

We strongly encourage you to consider your need for a one-month period. Only under extenuating circumstances will we consider an additional award.

#### After I submit my application, what can I expect next?

Our team will contact you to review and complete your application within 2-3 business days from when your application is received. Your application is not complete until you speak with a member of our team.

Award decisions will be made within one week of the completed application, and you will be notified at your preferred communication method.

#### If I am granted an award, how will I receive it?

At Teen Health Mississippi, we only distribute funds through direct deposit and check. At the time of award notification, you will be asked to determine which is your preferred method.

### If I have additional questions, who should I contact?

Please call Teen Health Mississippi directly at 601-487-1228 for more information. We are working remotely via phone and email from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. We ask that you do not call to check the status of your application. If you are selected or rejected for an award you will be properly notified.

