

## Cares Act Funding

**Zane State certified with the Department of Education to provide \$504,0882 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.**

Zane State's COVID-19 Emergency Fund provides assistance to students at risk of dropping out of college due to unexpected financial emergencies related to the COVID-19 pandemic. This assistance was created to help students stay in college and meet their educational goals, ultimately securing a better financial future.

Students enrolled as of March 16, 2020 who faced hardships due to the pandemic can apply for this Emergency Grant. They must attest that they are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. The types of eligibility requirements are detailed in the application. Students can request assistance for food, housing, childcare, healthcare, course materials, technology, or other critical needs. Grant award amounts will vary based on qualification factors and range from \$275 to \$475 per semester impacted or until all funds are disbursed. Money is given directly to the student and is not offset by tuition balance. We estimate that about 883 students are eligible to apply for this emergency funding.

**Students were first notified by email of this opportunity on April 16, 2020, Since then, we have awarded 335 students a total of \$121,865.**