

HOW CAN WE HELP?

For 30 years, the Emergency Fund has been there for you and your fellow employees in times of financial crisis. With your help it will continue to be an emergency resource for you and your colleagues. Since 1992, the Faculty and Staff Emergency Fund (FSEF) has helped more than 1,200 employees with emergency assistance during financial hardships. Your generosity makes a difference! An average of \$30,000 in grants is awarded to help your fellow employees each year.

Through our collective efforts, all donations, whether large or small, may provide financial assistance to a colleague in need. Contributions to this fund can be made either by payroll deduction, online credit card payment, or personal check and may provide a limited grant to a co-worker in need. This fund is for all eligible employees, and it needs the support of all employees.

Faculty/Staff Assistance & Well-Being Services
1011 W. Springfield Ave.
Urbana, IL 61801
Telephone (217) 244-5312
Crisis Line: (217) 244-7739
email fsas@illinois.edu
url <http://humanresources.illinois.edu/fsaws>



Faculty and Staff Emergency Fund



*The Faculty and Staff
Emergency Fund is a fund
conceived by caring faculty
and staff for the sole purpose of
assisting other faculty and staff
in times of financial crises.*



**Illinois Human
Resources**

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

**FACULTY/STAFF ASSISTANCE AND
WELL-BEING SERVICES**

HOW WAS THE FUND STARTED?

The first donation to the emergency fund was made by family and friends in memory of Joseph J. Schmiedel, a graduate and former employee of the university. The fund is sustained by donations from your fellow employees and generous donors.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

Employees should have at least a 50%, benefits- eligible appointment; have completed six months of service at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; and would include:

- faculty, specialized faculty, and postdocs
- academic professional staff
- status civil service staff

* An employee does not have to contribute to the fund in order to benefit from it.

HOW IS THE FUND USED?

Individual faculty and staff at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign have benefited from this fund for a wide variety of needs such as bridging the gap prior to receiving a first disability check; lodging expenses for families displaced by flood and fires; and financial assistance with payments for health insurance, daycare, utilities, and rent or mortgage payments.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

If you would like to apply for emergency assistance or would like more information about the Emergency Fund Drive, contact Faculty/Staff Assistance & Well-Being Services at (217) 244-5312.



YOUR GIFT MATTERS!

An unsafe home situation forced an employee to have to leave her home quickly and without any of her belongings. A grant from the emergency fund allowed her to purchase some basic personal items and find a safe place to stay so that she did not have to return to a dangerous environment.

After an emergency surgery, an employee didn't have enough paid benefit time to cover the four week absence from work. Unable to pay rent for the month, an emergency fund grant came through to pay his landlord.

An employee's house was destroyed in a fire. The family was safe, but they lost their home. An emergency fund grant provided assistance with a rent deposit for another home.

HOW CAN I DONATE?

1. Mail your personal check (indicate Faculty and Staff Emergency Fund in memo line) to:

University of Illinois Foundation
P.O. Box 734500
Chicago, IL 60673-4500

2. Visit <https://go.illinois.edu/FSEF> for information on the many other ways to donate.