

The UTA School of Social Work (UTA SSW) maintains the Compassionate Assistance for Relieving Emergencies (CARE) fund to assist students completing a UTA SSW program¹ in sudden and unforeseen emergencies that might hinder the ability to complete their academic program. The program is a small gesture in in an overall strategy of the School of Social Work's Academic and Student Affairs to support the health and well-being of UTA SSW students. The amount given in emergency cases is to a maximum of \$300, on a case-by-case basis, at the discretion of the SSW's Academic & Student Affairs. Funds do not need to be repaid, but the awarding may affect the student's status with financial aid. Students requesting funds should speak with a UTA Financial Aid and Scholarships Office representative about questions or concerns.

To be eligible, students must:

- Be enrolled in at least one course in the current semester;
- Have experienced a sudden and unforeseen emergency that incurs financial challenges hindering completion of the academic program; and
- Have exhausted university resources, including the <u>UTA Student Emergency</u> Fund through the Office of the Dean of Students.

To be considered for funding, students must complete the <u>online application</u>. The amount of funds available to distribute can vary, is limited, depends upon availability of funds, and not all requests will be funded.

The CARE fund cannot be used to cover any of the following expenses:

- 1. Tuition, lab fees, field fees, health insurance, study abroad costs
- 2. Parking tickets and other university-imposed fines
- 3. Costs for entertainment, recreation, non-emergency travel (e.g., Study Abroad) or other non-essential expenses

Applications for the CARE fund will be reviewed to determine eligibility, and applicants may be required to meet (via Teams, in person, or phone call) with the Associate Dean for Academic & Student Affairs or their delegate.

¹ Minors, Certificates, BSSUT, BSW, MSW, and PhD