**MSU OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT COVID-19 RESOURCE LIST**

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**Be Proactive**

**If you are struggling to make rent, contact your landlord or leasing office directly to discuss payment options and flexibility.**

**State & Federal Financial Assistance**

Unemployment Insurance (UI)

*The federal government recently passed the CARES Act, which among other things, expanded the eligibility criteria for UI. If you are a Michigan resident, please go to the* [*Department of Labor & Economic Opportunity website*](https://www.michigan.gov/leo/0%2C5863%2C7-336-78421_97241_98585---%2C00.html) *or call 866-500-0017 to find out if you qualify. Out-of-state residents, please refer to your home state’s UI website for more details.*

Direct Federal Payments

*Under the recently passed CARES Act, individuals who earned less than $75,000 last year (and couples who earned less than $150,000) are eligible to receive a $1200 direct payment from the Federal Government in the coming weeks. For more information and to see if and how you may benefit, visit the* [*City of Lansing’s Office of Economic Empowerment website*](https://www.lansingmi.gov/1974/COVID-19-Finances)*.*

**Renter’s Assistance**

[Student Legal Services](http://studentlegalservices.com/index.html)

(517) 353-3716, [info@studentlegalservices.com](../../../Users/kelsielane/Downloads/info%40studentlegalservices.com)

*Free to undergraduate and graduate students.*

[MSU Housing Clinic](https://www.law.msu.edu/clinics/housing.html)

517-432-6880, clinic@law.msu.edu

[Capital Area Housing Partnership](https://www.capitalareahousing.org/covid-19-housing-guide)

(517) 332-4663

*Comprehensive COVID-19 resource page for homeowners and renters in Mid-Michigan. Call or go online to make an appointment to receive one-on-one advice.*

**Additional Resources**

Stay Updated w/ Local COVID-19 News

[City of East Lansing](https://www.cityofeastlansing.com/2078/24072/Novel-Coronavirus-2019-COVID-19) & [City of Lansing](https://www.lansingmi.gov/1967/Coronavirus-Disease-COVID-19-News-Inform)

[City of Lansing’s Office of Financial Empowerment](https://www.lansingmi.gov/1974/COVID-19-Finances)

*A dedicated page to your finances and COVID-19.*

[MSU Student Food Bank](http://foodbank.msu.edu/distribution/index.html)

foodbank@msu.edu, *Available by appointment.*

[MSU Safe Place](http://safeplace.msu.edu/)

(517) 355-1100

*Providing MSU affiliated persons experiencing emotional, physical or sexual abuse with safe shelter.*

[MSU Counseling & Psychiatric Services (CAPS)](https://caps.msu.edu/)

(517) 355-8270

*MSU Students can call for a phone appointment.*

**For a complete list of MSU-based student resources, go to** [**https://msu.edu/coronavirus/resources/**](https://msu.edu/coronavirus/resources/)

For more information, contact MSU’s Community Liaison’s Office:

hingwesu@msu.edu | (517) 432-7527

**MSU Direct Financial Assistance**

[The Office of Financial Aid](https://finaid.msu.edu/msuloans.asp) offers short-term loans for students

College-Specific Emergency Funds

Many MSU colleges are actively raising funds to support their students with financial hardships. Contact your college’s main administrative office for more details.

[The Graduate School](https://grad.msu.edu/emergency-fellowship-funding) offers emergency funding