Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student Assistance Fund Distribution
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Maria College has identified expenses that students might have incurred related to disruption of campus activities. We have organized these by groups and created a simple Qualtrix form with the general categories identified. The categories are:

- **Utilities:** internet, phone, electric
- **Technology**: headphones, computers, printer, webcam
- **Food:** for items you would typically obtain during the Maria Market Food Pantry walk-in hours.
- **Course materials/Supplies**: paper, toner/printer cartridges, notebooks, pens, additional books, texts to supplement study and because of library closure.
- **Emergency or Unexpected Travel/Transportation:** included to but limited to libraries, to community counseling, to borrow a computer, for childcare, to work in a quiet environment.

We reviewed approaches taken by other colleges and put forth a recommendation to consider a two-phase approach modeled on institutions:

Phase 1: Students identified as 'in need' received an application with the above list and were asked to select the expenses they incurred because of campus disruption of services. We set a dollar amount for each of the five categories listed above. A student's total award would depend on the categories they've selected in their survey. Students who applied for funding under this method were awarded a total of $232,400.

Phase 2: Open to all eligible students who did not receive funding in phase 1. We used the process identified for Phase I and set a dollar amount for each of the five categories. As with Phase I, a student's total award would depend on the categories they've selected in their survey. We anticipate that students who are successful in this phase will receive a total of up to $116,332.

This link goes to the form for Phase 1:
https://mariacollegeir.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/preview/SV_cTQ1QCBRlelDarr?Q_SurveyVersionID=current&Q_CHL=preview