



OneGoal-Chicago Emergency Funding

Eligibility Criteria – Spring 2022

Emergency Funding is available to Y2 + Y3 Fellows + Alumni to support enrollment, persistence + graduation. Eligible students can apply for up to **\$1,000** in support. OneGoal's Emergency Funding¹ can help pay for:

- **Tuition balances** under the allowable program cap and school fees/fines (to lift a hold preventing registration or graduation)
- **School supplies and bills necessary for schoolwork:** Books, school supplies, phone and internet bills necessary for school, laptops²
- **Childcare expenses** (licensed childcare facilities)
- **Housing** (security deposit, rental assistance³, application fees, utilities)
- **Special clothing items** for school (uniforms, scrubs) or basic interview clothing
- **Basic car repairs**⁴ necessary for a student to get to school or work
- **Limited medical expenses**⁵ (dental procedures, eye exams/glasses, immunizations, medications, mental health therapy)

[Here](#) is an overview of how the process works.

¹ OneGoal - Chicago's Emergency Funding is for students enrolled in or who are in the process of enrolling in bachelor's degree, associate's degree, or certificate/credential programs at approved progressive pathways. Approved certificate/credential pathways are defined as those that accept WIOA or FAFSA funding, have accreditation, and are low-cost or free. AmeriCorps programs such as City Year are also approved progressive pathways.

² We are unable to accommodate requests for specific computers or software and can only purchase laptops up to \$250 in value. We have a standard Windows-based PC or Chromebook we purchase as supplies are available.

³ Students will need to provide a copy of the current lease and obtain a W9 from the landlord/property manager in order for us to assist with any direct housing costs.

⁴ Reach out to chi.emergencyfund@onegoalgraduation.org to find out what is necessary. Students will need to provide specific documentation for consideration.

⁵ See above footnote.