

# Scholarship Life Needs Assistance Program

## Frequently Asked Questions

QUESTION	ANSWER
What do the Life Needs funds cover?	Life needs scholarship funding provides <u>need-based</u> financial support to college students from St. Clair County that will increase their chances for completing a college degree.
What expenses qualify for life needs assistance?	On a case by case basis, we will assist with: books, medical care, transportation, child care, housing, utilities and food. We understand that all situations are different and we will evaluate each request on a case by case basis to ensure we can support you completing your degree.
Who is eligible to receive life needs assistance?	Most college students from St. Clair County are eligible to apply for the Life Needs Assistance Program providing that other forms of aid, including from the institution they attend, have been exhausted and that they are currently enrolled in classes.
How do students apply for life needs assistance?	<p>The student will need to complete a Request for Assistance detailing their emergency/hardship and explaining how the funds will be used. They must also submit any other paperwork requested by staff, such as a transcript, FAFSA Student Aid Report or monthly budget.</p> <p>A follow up call may be requested before a decision is made.</p>
How does life needs assistance money get disbursed?	<p>Current Available Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check issued to vendor or service provider</li><li>• Credit card payment to vendor or service provider</li></ul> <p>Emergency aid will be distributed in the fastest and most convenient method possible given the circumstances of each individual request.</p>
What documentation will be required to authenticate the expense?	All expenses will require a formal receipt or invoice before or after payment depending upon the nature of the emergency.

Life Needs money is considered income, so if you receive this support a 1099 will be issued at the end of the year for tax purposes.