**Student Emergency Financial Assistance Application**

Student Emergency Financial Assistance funding is intended to assist students who face unexpected emergency situations that impede their ability to continue and succeed academically and personally while enrolled at Blue Ridge Community College.

**Eligibility Criteria**
Awards are at the discretion of the committee who oversees the application process.  Students must at a minimum:
- Be enrolled in and attending the current term with BRCC as the primary institution
- Have submitted a complete federal FAFSA (or, where applicable, the VASA application for certain students ineligible to file FAFSA).  Recipients must be up to date with all institutional requests for documentation needed to complete the financial aid process. *Note: Some students who are not eligible to file FAFSA or VASA <u>may</u> be eligible for emergency funding, depending on immigration or visa status.  If you are not sure if you are eligible to apply, please contact the SOAR Coordinator.*
- Demonstrate a clearly defined emergency or unexpected situation.
- Meet satisfactory academic progress standards.  Preferably a 2.0 GPA or adequate input from current professor(s) regarding attendance and progress in assignments or class performance
- Not be on Financial Aid suspension or owe money to any Virginia Community College.
- Be willing to discuss their needs with the Financial Aid office and SOAR Center to help determine other resources for consideration.
- *Depending on the funding option, students may need to demonstrate financial need.*

International sponsored students with an F1 Status are **not** eligible.
Students enrolled in Fast Forward programs will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

**Application Process**
The SOAR Coordinator and student will meet to review the application and coordinate needed documentation to submit for review.  A summary overview with the application will be submitted to the Review Committee and their decision will be provided to the applicant via phone or email.  Decisions made by the Review Committee are final.  If approved, funding source and payment process may vary.


Student Name: _____

Student's VCCS email:  _____

Student ID Number:  _____

Tell us your immediate financial hardship and how the Emergency Aid program can best offer support for the current semester:

What are your areas of need for assistance?  (i.e. bill payments, housing, technology, transportation, other)

Certification and signature:  I certify that all information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.  I understand that I may need to provide additional information if it is requested.

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Signature of Student                                                        Date

Upon submission of this form, the SOAR Coordinator or a Student Success Center team member will be in contact with you to discuss next steps and ways we can support you.

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**For BRCC office use only**

Date Application Received: _____     Received/Processed by: _____
Date Submitted to Committee: _____     Approved: _____     Denied: _____
Amount Approved: _____
Student Notified: (Date and method of notification): _____
Funding Source Used: _____
Date Submitted for payment: _____