



# COVID-19 SUPPORT FUND IMPACT REPORT

## EMERGENCY AID FOR HGSE STUDENTS

Since launching the **Student COVID-19-related Support Fund** less than two months ago, we have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of generosity from the HGSE community. Your gifts have helped cover the cost of food, replace lost wages, secure internet upgrades, and minimize the expense of unexpected moves. Most importantly, you've given hardworking, deserving students some much-needed peace of mind in the midst of so much uncertainty.

Your kindness in the face of this crisis reaffirms the strength of our incredible community. Thank you!

### YOUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS



**221**

REQUESTS FOR  
EMERGENCY FUNDS



**100%**

APPLICATIONS  
APPROVED



**72**  
HOURS  
MAXIMUM  
TURNAROUND FOR  
APPLICATION REVIEWS



**\$65,170**

TOTAL EMERGENCY  
AID AWARDED



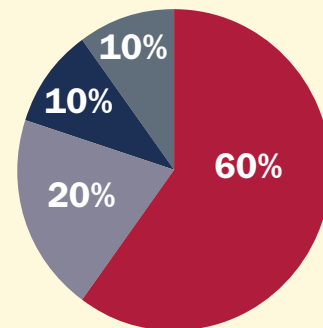
**\$295**  
AVERAGE GRANT



**30**

STUDENTS AWARDED  
MULTIPLE GRANTS

### HOW STUDENTS ARE USING THEIR EMERGENCY FUNDS



- LOST WAGES AND FOOD INSECURITY
- MOVING COSTS/TRAVEL BACK HOME
- NON-REFUNDED EXPENSES DUE TO CANCELLATIONS
- INTERNET UPGRADES/HOME OFFICE SET-UP

*Data as of May 11, 2020*

## STUDENT RESPONSES

- “ Thank you so much for your support! I suffered a lot financially and psychologically because of COVID-19. **It is so nice to know that our community is still strong and supportive!**”
- “ Thank you. It is a **relief** to have recovered some of my lost wages.”
- “ I cannot begin to thank you enough. **This gesture means so much to me and my growing family,** and it made the transition out of my Harvard housing unit just a bit easier.”
- “ I cannot express how much I truly appreciate the financial support. Thank you for your **generosity and support** at this time.”