

These are unprecedented times in our state, and students and their families across Oregon are struggling with the anxiety of the pandemic combined with the economic impact. You see it every day, and you have been instrumental in connecting students to the support of the OEA Foundation. Thank you!

Now we hope you can help us.

The week of March 16, as the impact of Covid-19 was becoming more apparent, the Foundation temporarily expanded funding guidelines to cover food, rent, utilities, and Aspiring Educators (Oregon student teachers with membership in NEA's student program).

We saw an immediate response. **We have received 940 grant applications since the guidelines changed, and have been able to send out \$76,655 in immediate aid to help Oregon students be healthy, safe, and supported.**

We are grateful to all the donors who have helped the Foundation this year, but due to the overwhelming response, and the cancellation of our annual April OEA RA fundraiser, we may not be able to fund many more grants. Although our grant year is supposed to go to July 15, **we will need to end in about two weeks unless we can raise additional funds.**

Would you help us continue our work of covering students' basic and essential needs? This Tuesday, the Foundation will be participating in the global Giving Tuesday, designed to raise funds to help those impacted by Covid-19.

How can you help? Forward our [Facebook](#) post, forward this email to colleagues, or [donate](#) online. If everyone who gets this email gives even just \$5, we could raise \$25,000. Every \$100 dollars is a grant for another Oregon student. And even better? We have donors who will match the first \$300!

Thank you for all you do to support Oregon students,
Reed Scott-Schwalbach
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