

# Cowboy Strong

Cowboy Strong emergency funds provide financial support to students experiencing an unforeseen hardship that could impact their ability to remain enrolled in school. Financial assistance is available for immediate and current emergency situations. Cowboy Strong funding is for unexpected, unforeseen, and unavoidable emergency expenses surrounding situations.

Cowboy Strong funds are designed to offset short-term financial need and are not intended to replace or supplement financial aid or scholarship. All situations are unique and evaluated carefully and confidentially.

## Application Process

Students who need emergency financial assistance may submit an application. Funds distributed do not generally exceed \$500. Applicants may be required to meet with a staff member to discuss their application.

If you are currently receiving financial aid, please be aware that receiving funding from the Cowboy Strong fund may affect your future aid packages and funds received will be taxed as income.

## Eligibility

- Safety needs (i.e. changing a lock, short-term emergency shelter)
- Replacement of essential personal belongings or temporary housing needs, due to fire, theft, or natural disaster
- Essential needs such as food
- Medication/prescription expense related to emergency medical or mental health care
- Travel costs related to a death or illness in the immediate family
- All other resources, including emergency loans through Scholarships and Financial Aid, must have been considered and are insufficient, unavailable, or not available in a timely manner.
- Applicants must complete all questions in full and submit supporting documentation.

## Cowboy Strong Website



[https://studentaffairs.okstate.edu/students/cowboy\\_strong.html](https://studentaffairs.okstate.edu/students/cowboy_strong.html)