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*To Johns Hopkins Health System employees*

Dear Colleagues,

As we continue to navigate through COVID-19 and the current economic climate, we recognize many Johns Hopkins Health System (JHHS) staff members have experienced financial hardships. To continue to help staff with financial emergencies, we're excited to relaunch the Emergency Assistance Support for Employees (EASE) program.

The JHHS EASE program is available to all Johns Hopkins Health System employees and will work in conjunction with current employee emergency assistance programs that are available at other member organizations, including:

- Employee Contributions Helping Others (ECHO) — Suburban Hospital
- EASE — Sibley Memorial Hospital
- Employees Helping Employees Grant (EHEG) – Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital

Previously, only COVID-19-related expenses qualified for assistance from the JHHS EASE program. As part of the relaunch, we are expanding the criteria and now include the following:

- Those incurred as a result of a catastrophic event including flood, fire or natural disasters.
- Personal hardship including evictions, primary home foreclosure, and suspension or termination of utilities (such as gas, electric, water). Proof of utility cut-off notice is required, as are court-ordered notices for evictions and primary home foreclosures.
- Food support

More information can be found on the JHHS [EASE program brochure](#) and [FAQs](#). Please fill out a JHHS [EASE program application](#) to request funds. For any program-specific questions, contact the HR Solution Center at 443-997-5400 or [hrsc@jhmi.edu](mailto:hrsc@jhmi.edu).

Sincerely,

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