University of Mississippi Survivor Fund

Overview
The purpose of the Survivor Fund is to provide funding to assist currently enrolled students facing unanticipated emergency expenses that require immediate one-time financial assistance. The Violence Intervention and Prevention Services (VIPS) Survivor Fund committee will make the determination of approval of funding and the amount of funding. Awards typically will not exceed $500.

Application Procedure
Any faculty or staff member can submit a referral form. Students must go through a faculty or staff member; students may not submit the form independently. Forms are located in the Violence Intervention and Prevention Services area. The form should be completed and returned to the assistant director in the VIPS area. The assistant director will work with the University of Mississippi Foundation to ensure aid is available. Names and identifying information will not be shared with the UM Foundation. After the VIPS committee has reviewed the request, they will determine if the student is eligible for the fund and determine the amount that shall be given.

Examples of unanticipated, short-term emergency expenses include immediate safety, healthy, or medical needs, and certain court filing fees for things like restraining orders.

Please return to Shelli Poole via email sapoole@olemiss.edu
Survivor Fund Referral Form

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Date: ___________________  Student Name: ___________________

Student ID: ___________________  Student Phone Number: ___________________

Student Email: ___________________

1. Please indicate what type of funding is being requested:

   _____ Violence Intervention and Prevention Services Survivor Fund

2. Provide a brief explanation of the nature of the emergency. Include any relevant information available such as: family finances, recent loss of income, extenuating circumstances. (Please note poor financial choices do not constitute an emergency. These funds are to provide assistance to students who have experienced a recent emergency in their life, not to supplement a student’s financial aid package.)

3. Indicate the estimated amount of money required to rectify the situation. Attach documentation of costs, if available, such as: cost of airplane ticket, mileage if driving, medical bills, estimated loss of property, etc.

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   Signature of Faculty/Staff Member making initial referral

Name of Faculty/Staff Member: ___________________  Department: ___________________