

Working together to support international students in need in Australia



Australian Government

States and territories continue to work closely with the Australian Government, our educational institutions and community organisations to look after the health, safety and wellbeing of international students in need. An estimated **\$1.3 billion** has been pledged by the Federal Government, state and territory governments, **providers** and the community to support international students during the COVID-19 crisis. These are just some of the welfare services, financial assistance, mental health support and emergency relief initiatives to help you in times of need. Click on your state to see other services available or visit the [Study Australia website](#) to see how the Australian Government is supporting the welfare of international students.

NORTHERN TERRITORY

Worker and Wellbeing fund of \$5m plus \$240 000 for StudyNT International Student Wellbeing Grants including support for emergency food

Darwin Student Space mental health support

Small Business Survival Fund to support keeping people in work who are not eligible for JobKeeper payment

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

StudyPerth Crisis Relief to address the acute needs of international students (rent and food support)

StudyPerth International Student Meals program with international students studying cookery providing meals for other international students

State Emergency Welfare Program: emergency accommodation, food, clothing, personal support services and financial assistance

Lotterywest COVID-19 Relief Fund: assistance with food, clothing, accommodation and other critical needs via community organisations

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

International Student Support Package of \$13.8m

International Student Advisory Service provides guidance on study, living and work (1800 006 488)

Access to food and essentials via community groups, financial assistance, employment opportunities and mental health support

TASMANIA

Financial support of \$3m for temporary visa holders, including Pandemic Isolation Assistance Grants and emergency relief and assistance through partner non-government organisations

Rental Relief Fund of up to \$2000 or four weeks' rent for people suffering from extreme hardship including **international students**

QUEENSLAND

Queensland International Student Crisis Assistance Package of \$10m

Food packages to students in need through Meals for Mates and partnerships with local study clusters and GIVIT

Study Queensland Luhrmann Appeal – a public appeal for funding which is distributed through local charities

Study Brisbane Frozen Food Program – 20,000 frozen meals per week distributed by 45+ institutions in Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba and the Gold Coast

NEW SOUTH WALES

Short-term emergency accommodation as part of a \$20m package for international students

24/7 advice and information through NSW Government COVID-19 hotline (13 77 88)

International Student Legal Service NSW and 50,000 downloads of My Legal Mate app

Mental wellness support through \$73 million package including 24/7 NSW Mental Health Hotline (1800 011 511)

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Jobs for Canberrans Fund of \$20m for residents including international students

\$450,000 support package for temporary visa holders

\$7m Community Support Package and further \$2m for mental health support

VICTORIA

International Student Emergency Relief Fund of \$45m for international students facing severe hardship

Work for Victoria and Rental Hardship Scheme access for international students

Additional \$2m dedicated COVID-19 response for international students including enhanced **Study Melbourne Student Centre (SMSC)** services, care packages, material and legal aid, crisis accommodation, student welfare grants and online support hub

\$1m grant to extend **City of Melbourne** food voucher program



We are working together because we know we are all #InThisTogether.

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