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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: Cal Grant A for Students Impacted by Housing Changes Due to COVID-19

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on Cal Grant A for students impacted by a change in housing status due to COVID-19.

- As announced in [GSA 2021-31](#), the Commission may restore Cal Grant A eligibility for students impacted by a change in the student's living status, from living on-campus to living off-campus or from living on-campus to living at home, due to the COVID-19 pandemic..
- Applicable to new and renewal Cal Grant A awardees who lost Cal Grant eligibility for the 2020-21 or 2021-22 academic year.
- Students in this scenario shall have their Cal Grant A eligibility calculated based on what it would have been had the change in the student's living status due to the COVID-19 pandemic not occurred.

How to Request Restoration of Cal Grant A

- Please submit a Grant Record Change (G-21) in Webgrants (Cal Grant > Student Info > Grant Record Changes).
- In the Reason box, please indicate the student's unmet need and housing status as reported prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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