University of Wisconsin – Whitewater

ADA Compliance Policy Fund for Recognized Student Organizations

**Purpose of the Contingency Fund:**
The purpose of the contingency fund is to assist University recognized student organizations to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

**Eligible Organizations:**
Student organizations officially recognized by the University through the University Recognition and Annual renewal Process (administered by Career & Leadership Development) are the only groups eligible to apply to this fund.

**Eligible Expenditures:**
Expenditures from this contingency fund are limited to activities related to the mission and/or purpose of the recognized student organization that are educational in nature. Expenditures from the contingency fund may be used to support off-campus educational events sponsored by recognized student organizations. However, there is a limit of $500 per event/activity, and funds will be used to pay for the direct cost of service only. This fund is not to be used for the remodeling of physical space to achieve ADA compliance.

**Role of the Center for Students with Disabilities and Career & Leadership Development:**
CSD: CSD will serve as the primary contact for student organizations in need of service. The student organization is responsible to request the service of CSD. Staff in CSD will determine policy compliance and make arrangements for services, provided that the requests are made reasonably in advance of need. CSD will coordinate the transportation requests and the requests for all other services.

Career & Leadership Development: Career & Leadership Development will administer the contingency account, including: the request of funding annually from the Segregated University Fee Allocation Committee, management of the account, payment of all expenditures, and maintenance of accurate fiscal records. Career & Leadership Development will notify all recognized student organizations of their responsibility under law and of the existence of this fund. Career & Leadership Development will also keep record of the use of this fund.

Staff in both offices will communicate on a regular basis to ensure that this policy and fund/account is appropriately managed.

**Student Satisfaction:**
If student organizations are not satisfied with the result of their request or with the service provided, they should contact CSD.

Source: Career & Leadership Development
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