Earlier this year, you raised your flag in support of CSUSM students impacted by COVID-19. Thanks to a $25,000 matching gift from Carleen Kreider and Dick Lansing, together we raised over $160,000 to help our students persist to graduation. We know many of our students continue to struggle during these challenging times, and CSUSM is committed to doing everything possible to ensure that they have the support and resources they need to succeed.

In the first 3 months of the pandemic, over 1,000 students were referred to the Cougar Care Network, which provides resources and support for students facing challenges that may adversely affect their success. With special funding from the David T. and Dorris E. Staples Foundation, all students who applied for Student Relief and Student Emergency financial assistance were also contacted by the Cougar Care Network for follow-up on their situation.

A number of students needed emergency housing on campus. One student who utilized emergency housing said, “In dire and desperate times such as this, it is incredibly easy to forget the innate kindness and generosity people have. It is such a relief to know that there are people out there who genuinely care about me and want to see me thrive and succeed.”

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE DONOR SUPPORT AND FEEL BLESSED TO BE ABLE TO APPLY THE DONATION TOWARD MY EDUCATION. THE RELIEF FUND ARRIVED AT THE PERFECT TIME.

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