

TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL[†]

Strengthening Faith Based Social Action in Cornwall

Hardship Grants for Individuals in Need

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We have created this list of hardship grants for individuals in need which includes a huge range of grants for those who have worked in certain professions (including retail, construction, fishing, farming etc), support for disabled people, grants for education and retraining, young people, and so much more.

We also maintain a list of created a list of possible funding that might be suitable for some of our wonderful Foodbanks, community groups, grassroots organisations and Faith based social action projects in Cornwall. You can find the list here:

<https://transformation-cornwall.org.uk/resources/transformation-cornwall-grants-list>

Please contact funders directly with queries on their grant programmes but do please get in touch with Transformation Cornwall if we can help to support you in any way: Info info@transformation-cornwall.org.uk

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ABTA LifeLine

<https://www.abtalifeline.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/7/15/covid19support>

ABTA LifeLine is ABTA's charity offering support to people who work, or have ever worked, for an ABTA Member. Spouses/partners, widows/widowers and children of employees are also eligible.

If you have been made redundant, furloughed or self-employed and are struggling to manage during the pandemic ABTA LifeLine will do what they can to help you and your family in your time of need. All applications will be assessed fairly but with priority given to those most adversely affected.

They can support you with emergency food vouchers, urgent financial advice, help in changing careers, and mental health support (through their partner The Centre for Crisis Psychology).

See website for more details or call: 0203 693 0170

The Ambulance Staff Trust

<https://www.theasc.org.uk/services-we-offer/financial-wellbeing/>

The Ambulance Staff Trust offers financial wellbeing support services to any serving or retired ambulance staff and their close family members.

They will consider requests for financial wellbeing support and also offer a free, confidential financial wellbeing clinic twice a week to provide free benefits checks and information on other forms of support you may be eligible for.

See website for more details or call: Freephone 02477 987 922

B & CE Charitable Trust Hardship Grants

<https://bandce.co.uk/corporate-responsibility/the-charitable-trust/for-times-of-need/>

The B&CE Charitable Trust provides a range of awards, grants and financial support to individuals. You could be eligible for help if you currently work in construction or if you've done so previously. The trust also offers mental and physical health advice, and guidance about housing and social welfare.

See website for more details or call: 0808 801 0372

Barchester's Charitable Foundation

<https://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk/apply-grant>

Barchester's Charitable Foundation is a registered charity that helps older people and other adults with a physical or learning disability or with mental health problems across England, Scotland & Wales. Our funding focus is about connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community. We support applications that combat loneliness and enable people to be active and engaged.

Barchesters can provide grants for eligible older people or with a physical or learning disability or mental health problem. *NB. ALL referrals must be made through a third party who knows the individual in a professional or community-based capacity. This could be a Barchester staff member, healthcare professional, a social worker, charity or support group

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representative. For more examples of who could sponsor your application please contact the grants team for guidance.

The BMA Charities Trust Fund

<https://bmacharities.org.uk/get-help/grants-available>

The BMA Charities Trust Fund are committed to helping other doctors and medical students who are in financial difficulties. The Fund particularly welcomes applications from refugee doctors.

They can provide:

- Annual grants to medical students who are taking medicine as a second degree
- One-off grants to medical students who are in immediate and serious financial need
- One-off grants to unemployed doctors for essential items such as utility bills, travel and disability equipment
- One-off grants to working doctors in financial hardship for help with the GMC retention fee and professional indemnity insurance
- Grants to refugee and asylum-seeking doctors to meet the costs of taking the PLAB exams and GMC registration
- Money advice for any doctor who is having difficulty managing financially

The Book Trade Charity

<https://www.btbs.org/types-of-grant>

The Book Trade Charity provide care and support to former, current, and future individuals with work in the book trade industry. They can provide welfare grants to cover things like security deposits, emergency payments for household repairs, or subsidies to those on low incomes. They can also help provide accommodation for those looking to enter the book selling industry.

See website for more details or call: 01923 263 128

Buttle UK

<https://www.buttleuk.org/>

Buttle UK is one of the largest grants making institutions focused solely on children. The grants are designed for those dealing with a variety of issues ranging from, but not limited to kinship care arrangements, domestic abuse, estrangement, physical and mental ill health, and substance abuse.

*With the exception of grants for boarding school fees all applications must be made by a support worker.

The Care Workers Charity Crisis Grant

<https://www.thecareworkerscharity.org.uk/information-and-tools/apply-for-a-grant/>

This grant is for current and former care workers employed in the UK social care sector in a role that is involved in or supports the provision of adult, elderly or disability care, such as residential social care, supported living care, and domiciliary home care. Please note that nurses are not eligible for crisis grants from CWC.

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Current employees must have been in service for at least one year, and former employees must have served at least five years in their lifetime.

Grants may be used in support of a sudden or unexpected loss of income, a sudden or unexpected illness or injury, a sudden or unexpected change in living circumstances, a relationship breakdown, an issue of domestic abuse, or death of a close relative. Grant awards are typically between £500 for Daily Living Costs and up to £2000 for Funeral Grants.

The Cameron Fund

<https://www.cameronfund.org.uk/>

The Cameron Fund is a medical benevolent fund that solely supports general practitioners and their dependents. The Cameron Fund provide support to GPs and their families in times of financial need, whether through ill-health, disability, death or loss of employment. They can help those who are already suffering from financial hardship or those who are facing it in the immediate future. Applications are welcome from, or on behalf of, present or former GPs, their families, and dependents.

The Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth): Essential Grants Programme for Children and Families.

<https://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk/what-we-do/grant-giving/>

The Catholic Children's Society Plymouth (covering Devon, Cornwall and parts of Dorset) has funds available for essential grants to families living in the Diocese of Plymouth who are struggling as a result of Covid-19. The programme aims to relieve the urgent material needs of children, young people and families by providing grants for household essentials such as a child's bed, a cooker or a washing machine to low-income families who simply can't afford to buy these items themselves. The fund is open to families of all faiths and none.

Cavell Nurses Trust

<https://www.cavellnursestrust.org/help-and-advice/apply-for-a-grant/>

The Cavell Nurses trust help nurses, midwives and healthcare assistants, both working and retired when they're suffering personal or financial hardship. They can provide assistance with: short term financial emergencies, essential white goods, travelling expenses, mobility aids, home adaptations due to disability, rent deposits and arrears. All applicants must have less than £4,000 in household accounts.

See website for more details or call: 01527 595999

The Charity for Civil Servants

<https://foryoubyyou.org.uk/our-services/financial-assistance>

The Charity for Civil Servants supports people who are:

- a civil servant, past or present, or you work for an organisation directly funded by a government department
- a financial dependant of a deceased civil servant or an employee of an organisation directly funded by a government department
- a representative helping one of the above

See website for more details or call: freephone 0800 056 2424

The Christine Brown Trust

<https://www.christinebrowntrust.org.uk/funding-for-music.php>

The Christine Brown Trust for Young Musicians offers financial support to exceptionally talented young musicians under 19 years of age who are in financial hardship and unable to meet the expenses involved in learning a musical instrument. This may mean contributing towards the cost of lessons, helping to pay for a new instrument, paying for summer school, or orchestra fees.

The Clergy Support Trust

<https://clergysupporttrust.grantapps.net/emergency/>

The Clergy Support Trust provides support to Anglican clergy (serving and retired) and ordinands, and their families, in the UK & Ireland. They can help with wellbeing grants, health grants, and emergency grants for times of unexpected financial difficulty.

The Construction Industry Emergency Financial Aid

<https://www.constructionindustryhelpline.com/>

You can apply for emergency financial assistance if you have worked in the construction industry for more than 5 years and one of the following applies to you:

- You have been injured at work or outside work and expected to be unable to work for more than 6 months
- You are suffering an illness that prevents you from working for a period longer than 6 months
- You are now the full-time primary carer for a spouse or child
- You are suffering a long term, life changing or terminal illness

Applications can be submitted on behalf of somebody fulfilling this criterion as long as they have the applicant's permission.

See website for more details or call: 0345 605 1956

Cornwall Community Foundation (CCF): One Programme

<https://www.cornwallcommunityfoundation.com/introduction-to-grants/available-grants/>

CCF have moved their regular funds for community groups and charities based in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly into one main programme, 'One Programme'.

The One Cornwall programme has funds to support individuals, in particular for the following areas:

- Young carers
- Young people who are disadvantaged and at the edge of exclusion from school
- To support young people who are struggling with their mental health and wellbeing
- People struggling to stay warm and healthy during winter

Details of two other CCF administered grants supporting individuals which are not part of the One Programme are below.

Cornwall Community Foundation (CCF): Headstart Kernow Young Peoples Mental Wellbeing Legacy Fund

<https://www.cornwallcommunityfoundation.com/grants/headstart-kernow-young-peoples-mental-wellbeing-legacy-fund/>

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Providing grants to support children and young people aged 10 -16 with their emotional health and mental wellbeing. Open to local community groups, projects and **individuals via sponsor agencies** to promote resilience and the emotional health and mental wellbeing.

Cornwall Community Foundation (CCF): Young and Talented Fund

<https://www.cornwallcommunityfoundation.com/grants/young-and-talented-cornwall/>

The Young and Talented Fund, now headed by Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall Colonel Edward Bolitho OBE, strives to help those young individuals who have demonstrated an outstanding talent in a particular field – such as sport, the arts, science, voluntary service and enterprise – but are struggling to achieve their ambition or progress in their chosen career because of hardship or disability.

* Application deadline 31.08.21

Cornwall Council Crisis and Care Awards

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/advice-and-benefits/benefits/crisis-and-care-awards/>

Cornwall Council offers two separate awards. Crisis awards are for those in emergency or disaster situations to help them and their families with immediate needs. Care awards help vulnerable people to live as independently as possible in their community. You must live in Cornwall or have a local connection and have less than £1500.

Cornwall Rural Community Charity (CRCC) Carers Resilience Enablement Grant for individual carers.

<https://wellbeingcommunitygrants.org.uk/>

A grant to aid any unforeseen circumstance that prevents unpaid, informal carers from fulfilling their caring role, where the need cannot be met from elsewhere. For example:

- The repair or replacement of essential domestic equipment;
- To fund the provision of private care equipment;
- Other urgent domestic need
- To enable a carer and the person they support to access an urgent break in Cornwall where they would otherwise not be able to.

*NB: Carers must be referred to this grant and endorsed by a recognised service supporting carers. Applications must be signed off by a professional from that service, e.g. Kernow Carers Service, Disability Cornwall, Age UK, Inclusion Matters, Inclusion Cornwall, Action for Children.

See website for more details or call: 01872 243535

COSARAF Charitable foundation: Hardship Grant

<https://www.cosaraf.org/apply-for-funding/hardship-grants/>

The COSARAF Foundation is offering small grants to individuals who are facing significant hardship and encouraging organisations to apply for support for those in need due to a result of Covid-19. Grants of up to £2,000 are available for eligible individuals and families. Most grants are between £500-£1,000. They will fund: household items, living expenses, rent arrears, utility bills, and more. Applications are assessed every six weeks and you can expect a response within eight weeks of application.

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*PLEASE NOTE: Applications will only be accepted from recognised social organisations such as charities, housing associations, schools and social services acting on behalf of a family or individual in need.

The Dan Maskell Tennis Trust

<https://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/?q=index.html>

Dan Maskell Tennis Trust is a tennis charity raising funds for people with disabilities who play tennis. **Please note that the Trust supports people with all disabilities, e.g. physical impairment, deaf, learning disability, visually impaired etc)**

If you are playing wheelchair tennis you may apply for your own sports wheelchair or the trust will consider include tennis rackets, coaching lessons with an LTA Licensed coach; course fees for official LTA Development/Coaching courses

Maximum grant per application is £500 for an individual. Please give as much information as possible about your tennis activities and specify what costs are associated with each item.

See website for more details or call: 01737 831707

Education Support Trust

<https://www.educationsupport.org.uk/helping-you/apply-grant>

If you or your partner are working in or retired from the education sector and are suffering financial problems caused by unemployment, ill health, sudden life events, bereavement or a personal injury we may be able to offer support.

You must have been employed in one of the following sectors: primary, secondary, further or higher education in one of the following roles: Teacher; Teaching Assistant; Deputy/Head teacher; NQT; SEN; Lecturer; Supply teacher; Retired teacher; Learning Support; Academic Administration; Academic Manager.

Please see the website for more details or call 0207 697 2772

The Elmgrant Trust

<http://elmgrant.org.uk/sample-page/>

The Elmgrant Trust accepts applications from individuals who are further educating themselves to improve their job prospects with a clear compassionate need.

PLEASE NOTE: The Elmgrant Trust does not accept email applications. Please send a letter of application with the following:

- -Full contact details: your full name, address, email address, phone number etc.
- -If a student, evidence of your attendance or course place.
- -If wanting funding for books, equipment or stationery etc. full lists including costs.
- -Evidence of your financial status: receipt of benefits, low income etc.: why you need funding, (all information is confidential)
- -Letters of support from a professional person who knows you: for example a tutor, GP, employer, social worker
- -If a medical condition is part of the application then evidence from the medical profession.

Family Fund

<https://www.familyfund.org.uk/>

Family Fund offers grants for those who are raising a disabled or seriously ill child. They provide funds for a range of things such as family breaks, household appliances, furniture, computers, tablets, bedding and clothing. You must be currently living in the UK and have done so for at least six months, and have evidence of entitlement to certain benefits.

The Fashion and Textile Children's Trust

<https://www.ftct.org.uk/about-our-grants>

This fund is intended to help parents and carers who have worked in the UK fashion or textile industry and whose household income has reduced as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. To apply for an FTCT grant, one parent/carer must have worked in the UK fashion and textile industry, for at least one year within the last nine years.

The grants typically help families who are already struggling financially (in arrears on household bills or have debt) or have limited savings to cover lost earnings. The grants can fund items for children such as clothing, bedding, and essential household items such as white goods.

The Furniture Makers Charity

<https://www.furnituremakers.org.uk/welfare/>

If you work or have worked in the UK furnishing industry, you may qualify to receive financial support and guidance to help you through a difficult time. To be eligible for financial assistance, you must normally have a minimum of two years' employment service in any capacity within the UK furnishing industry. However, during the COVID-19 crisis, we are accepting applications from people with shorter service periods.

This includes companies manufacturing/supplying furniture, kitchens or bathrooms; furniture stores such as DFS, Ikea, Argos; carpet sales or fitting; beds, curtains and upholstery.

As a guide, we often help with essential household bills, such as rent/mortgage, council tax, gas and electricity, or with replacement items such as a cooker, fridge, or washing machine.

Please see the website for more details or call 0207 562 8528

The Gane Charitable Trust Grants Programme

<http://www.ganetrust.org.uk/apply>

Grants up to £500 for individuals facing exceptional difficulty in meeting the cost of further education expenses either for adults or their children who are studying:

- o Architecture and design.
- o Further education in field of crafts.
- o Promotion of crafts, &
- o Social welfare and care.

The Trust prefers to donate towards the cost of materials, publicity, tools or books in the areas of art, craft and design, and towards the cost of education and training in the area of social welfare and care. Grants are usually made for capital purposes or to meet starting-up expenditure.

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Funding is *not* available for:

- o Fees for courses.
- o Living costs.
- o People who have already received grants.
- o Postgraduate course costs, **or**
- o Travel outside the UK unconnected with the Awards scheme.

Glasspool Charity Trust

<https://www.glasspool.org.uk/>

Glasspool are one of the few UK-wide charities providing grants to support people experiencing financial hardship that have no restrictions on who they can help. The small grants are used for getting over a short time crisis. You can apply for funds for white goods, essential household items, baby needs, and more. Glasspool grants cannot be applied for by the client directly, they must go through a third-party organisation that operates in England, Wales, Northern Ireland or Scotland. Examples include statutory organisations that provide a health care, social care or advice service or citizens advice bureaux.

Grocery Aid Covid-19 Fund

<https://www.groceryaid.org.uk/get-help/covid-19-fund/>

Supporting all grocery colleagues in their time of need. This includes manufacturing, supermarkets, independents, wholesalers, distribution, sales, and all support functions.

Their non-repayable grants are designed to help those experiencing an unexpected emergency like a change in circumstances or a sudden gap in income. Grocery Aid also offers a separate Bereavement Financial Assistance grant and mental health support – see website for more details.

Applicants must be currently working in the grocery industry with a minimum of one year's service, or be no longer working in the grocery industry, but previously worked in it for five years or more.

Please see the website for more details or call 0808 8021 122

The Hospital Saturday Fund

<https://hospitalsaturdayfund.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

The Hospital Saturday Fund awards grants to registered medical health charities within the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland. The fund will also consider giving partial or full grants to individuals for the following:

- Specialised mobility equipment, wheelchairs, mobility scooters, car adaptations, medical appliances and aids, hearing aids, nebulisers, specialised vision aids, specialised computer equipment, therapeutic equipment/treatment, orthopaedic beds, mattresses or pillows, riser /recliners chairs, lift hoist/aids.
- Physiotherapy, Hydrotherapy, Acupuncture, Speech Therapy, Osteopathy, Chiropractic treatment, Reflexology, Massage Therapy and Aromatherapy.
- Home adaptations, walk in showers, accessibility adaptations to bathrooms, access ramps, non-slip flooring, stair lifts.

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- Respite breaks at a therapeutic centre.

Please see the website for more details or call 020 7202 1365

Hospitality Action

<https://www.hospitalityaction.org.uk/get-help/>

The Hospitality action grants are available to anybody who is currently working in the UK hospitality industry or who has worked in the industry for a five-year period in their working life. Their Covid recovery grant has now closed, however they are still operating their Main Grants Programme. Their main Grants Programme provides grants to help people deal with the many issues that can cause financial hardship. These include physical and mental ill health, poverty and addiction. Support can range from everyday essentials such as heating, school uniforms and general living costs, to counselling and home adaptations after a life-changing illness.

Please see the website for more details or call 0808 802 0282

ICE (Institution of Civil Engineers) Benevolent Fund

<https://www.icebenfund.com/our-services/financial-support/uk-members/>

ICE provide a number of different financial grants for their UK current or previous members and/or family members. Grants include:

Emergency grants.

Monthly payments.

Help with independence.

House repairs or maintenance.

Residential or nursing home fees.

Please see the website for more details or call 01444 417 979

The Insurance Charities

<https://www.theinsurancecharities.org.uk/>

The Insurance Charities provides support for current and former insurance employees and their dependants in the UK and Ireland, experiencing difficult life events such as ill health, disability, tragedy, depression, financial problems, and redundancy.

In response to the Covid 19 crisis, the Chartered Insurance Institute's (CII) Education and Training Trust has launched a fund to provide access to training and professional development for those working in the UK and Ireland. Applicants will be able to secure the full cost of their training and choose the course and provider. The course must be relevant to the insurance/financial planning sector and is only available to those already working in these areas.

Submit an application form on the website and they will contact you to see if you are eligible.

Licensed Trade Charity

<https://www.licensedtradecharity.org.uk/eligibility-criteria/>

The Licensed Trade Charity can provide short term hardship grants and Practical advice & Emotional support to licensed trade people. For financial support you, or an immediate family member (living in the same household) needs to be either currently, or have in the

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past, worked in the licensed drinks trade for a total of 5 years continuously. This can be in one or more jobs.

See website above or call 0808 801 0550 for more information.

The Lipman-Miliband Trust Grant Programme

<http://www.lipman-miliband.org.uk/index.html>

Small grants up to £2,000 are available to individuals, members of a small group or a larger organisation in the UK that help support:

- o The study and research into socialist ideas and practice and other allied fields and the dissemination of the results thereof to the public, and
- o Educational activities that raise public awareness and understanding of struggles and movements for peace, human rights and co-operation and a more equal, diverse, cooperative and democratic society.

Previously the Trust has funded:

- o Archives
- o Art installations:
- o Conferences:
- o Educational events:
- o Film and video:
- o Publications:
- o Research projects
- o Theatre productions:
- o Websites

The Trust is looking for diversity in applicants and in their projects. They may be an individual, a member of a small group or part of a larger organisation. They may be just getting going or well established. Applicants may work in a university or for a not-for-profit organisation; may be a volunteer or work freelance.

*Application deadline is Monday 31 May 2021

The MS Society

<https://www.mssociety.org.uk/care-and-support/support-for-carers/support-for-young-carers>

If you're under 18 and have a family member with MS, the MS Society give grants of up to £300 to young carers (15 years and under), and up to £1,000 for young adult carers (16-24 years) to help pay for leisure activities or personal development. This could be for things like school or college trips, sports equipment, music lessons, courses or driving lessons for example.

See the website for more details or contact the Grants team to find out more – tel: 0300 500 8084 or grants@mssociety.org.uk

Ocean Housing: Hardship Fund

<http://www.oceanhousing.com/hardship-fund-support/>

This hardship fund will provide support to people who are tenants of Ocean Housing where their needs cannot easily, or immediately, be met and where financial support is required in

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areas including helping tenants with bills, fuel costs, and supermarket shopping vouchers, where food banks are unable to assist.

Perennial

<https://perennial.org.uk/home/ways-we-can-help/financial-support/>

Perennial helps people in horticulture create better futures and has one off financial help programmes which have been developed to meet the specific needs of people working in horticulture and their families. With 5 different areas of support:

1. Educational School Trips
2. Specialised Equipment
3. Support for former horticulturalists
4. Small business horticultural support
5. Short break and respite support

See website above or call the helpline 0800 093 8543 to find out more.

The Printing Charity

<https://www.theprintingcharity.org.uk/our-help/>

The Printing Charity help people at any stage of their career in the print, paper, packaging, publishing, and graphic arts sectors with practical, emotional, and financial support.

Anyone can receive practical and emotional support. You can apply for financial support if you are facing hardship

- Applicants will be asked to complete a financial assessment
- Typically, you'll have worked in the above sectors or the allied trades for at least 3 years' or be a dependant of someone who has
- Emergency support may be available for those with less service

See website above or call 01293 542 820 for more information.

Princes Trust: Development Awards

<https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/get-funding-train-learn>

Offer financial support (typically £175-£250) to young people aged 16 to 30 who are studying less than 14 hours a week or not in compulsory education or are unemployed or working less than 16 hours a week. Development Awards can help to cover costs such as: course fees, transport or equipment, training, job license fees.

See website above or call 0800 842 842 for more information.

Professionals Aid Guild

<https://www.pcac.org.uk/>

Professionals Aid Guild (PAG) helps professionals and graduates in the UK with financial assistance. They are not restricted to assisting those of a specific professional background. They can provide a one-off monetary gift to assist with living expenses or a contribution towards essential household furniture including white goods. You must have less than

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£6,000 in savings if you are under pension credit age and less than £10,000 if over pension credit age. You must also have claimed, or are in the process of claiming, all benefits to which you are entitled to.

The Queens Nursing Institute

<https://www.qni.org.uk/help-for-nurses/financial-help/>

The QNI will consider applications from registered nurses in financial need, who work or have worked in the community for a minimum of three years. 'Community' is defined as working outside hospital settings, for example: queen's nurses, district nurses, community midwives, and health visitors.

Help is usually given, for example, with the provision of essential household items, building repairs or adaptations, respite care, specialist equipment such as walk-in baths, stair lifts, electric wheelchairs and amenity bills. In certain cases, the QNI may make regular quarterly payments to clients.

See website above or call 020 7549 1400 and leave a message asking for a call back.

Railway Benefit Fund

<https://www.railwaybenefitfund.org.uk/how-we-can-help/covid-19-support/>

The Railway benefit fund helps railway families through tough times. Their grants help individuals overcome significant life events that may impact on your financial, family, mental and physical well-being and ability to sustain your rail employment. For example, illness and health issues or unexpected expenditure.

You must be a rail employee, including working in the supply chain, with a minimum of 1 year's rail employment, and you must have less than £6000 in capital if a single person, or less than £10,000 if a couple.

See website above or call 0345 241 2885 (lines open 10:00am- 3:00pm Mon-Fri)

The Rainy Day Trust

<https://www.rainydaytrust.org.uk/get-help/apply-for-help/>

The Rainy-Day Trust supports past and present employees of the home improvement industry who are struggling financially. Builders Merchants, Cookshops, DIY shops and outlets, hardware stores, garden centres are all eligible. As well as retailers, people who have worked for manufacturers and distributors and worked in the pottery and glass industry are also eligible.

Either you or your partner can have worked in the industry, and you or they should have worked in any part of that industry for 1 year. This must be for one company. They target their help at those on lower incomes, generally less than £20,000 per year

See website above or call 0203 192 0486

The Retail Trust

www.myrtwellbeing.org.uk/financial-support/grants-to-support-those-affected-by-covid-19

Offers grants to support those financially affected by COVID-19 and are available to those working in the retail or supporting service industries including logistics, manufacturing,

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wholesale, food distribution, and supply chain. The non-repayable crisis grants can be used to support outstanding rent or mortgage payments, priority bills, funeral expenses, basic essentials, boiler or heating repairs. Applicants must have less than £20,000 in savings.

See website above or call 0808 801 0808

Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution

<https://rabi.org.uk/need-help/>

R.A.B.I. offers financial support, practical care and guidance to farming people of all ages, including farmers, farmworkers and dependants. They tailor their support to individual circumstances, but can help with buying essential white goods, paying relief farm staff, clearing domestic bills, mortgage or rent arrears, and training grants. Applicants should contact R.A.B.I. in the first instance to discuss their situation and help that might be available.

See website above or call 0808 281 9490

The Royal British Legion

www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-support/financial-and-employment-support/finance/grants

The Royal British Legion help to ease the burden of financial pressure for thousands of serving and ex-serving personnel every year. They can provide financial support through one of the grants schemes they run:

Whether you are in need of urgent assistance to get through a temporary crisis or need help at home we may be able to help with a grant.

- Immediate needs grant scheme
- Veterans medical funds programme
- Mobility aids and equipment
- Employment grants
- Funding to study abroad
- Household adaption grants

The Royal British Legion also provide specialist compensation advice, help with debt and emergency situations, through their team of Financial Advisors who are on hand to give you the advice and support you need to put your mind at ease. Whether it's debts, benefits or balancing the book they're just a phone call away to help you get back on your feet.

The team also can support you through grant applications, call: 0808 802 8080.

Royal Medical Benevolent Fund:

<https://rmbf.org/get-help/>

The fund is open to doctors, medical students and their families, who are facing financial hardship. You must have little in the way of income and savings and be unable to support yourself financially due to illness, disability or because you are over state retirement age.

They provide different types of awards for students, current practitioners, and refugee doctors. Amongst other things, they can provide monthly grants to help with essential day-to-day living costs, back-to-work awards, and help with purchasing specialist equipment.

See website above or call 0208 540 9194

The Royal Merchant Navy Education Foundation (RMNEF)

<https://rmnef.org.uk/>

The RMNEF is an educational charity helping needy children of merchant navy seafarers, professional sea-going fishermen and RNLI lifeboat crew members.

It is able to help with everything from school fees, textbooks, uniforms to computers and internet access. The Foundation supports at any stage of educational development from birth to obtaining professional career entry qualifications.

To apply: contact initially by letter or email: office@rmnef.org.uk to find out if you qualify for support.

See website above or call 01488 567890 or 07397 567890

The Seafarers Hospital Society

<https://seahospital.org.uk/grantstoseafarers/>

The Seafarers Hospital Society (formerly known as the Seamen's Hospital Society) is a long-established maritime charity dedicated to meeting the health, welfare and advice needs of seafarers. The Seafarers Hospital Society makes grants to seafarers in need. There are no rigid rules about what you can get a grant for, but typical examples include: disability aids, household white goods, help with debts and bills, urgent short-term living expenses, and clothing.

See website above or call 020 8858 3696

Sir Richard Stapley Educational Trust

<https://www.stapleytrust.org/>

Supports the work of students of proven academic merit, and in financial need, who are pursuing further degrees or certain postgraduate qualifications at an institution in the UK. The Trust supports courses in medicine, dentistry or veterinary studies taken as a second degree, as well as certain postgraduate courses in any subject. All grants are made annually and are normally between £500 and £1,300.

Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association (SSAFA)

<https://www.ssafa.org.uk/>

SSAFA provides help and support to existing and past service personnel and their families. It offers a wide range of services including:

- Rehabilitation for injured servicemen and women
- A confidential helpline (Forcesline)
- Additional needs and disability support such as four holidays a years for children with special needs and their siblings
- Short stay accomodation for families visiting injured relatives
- Financial assistance for a wide range of needs
- Funding for home adaptations or specialist disability equipment unavailable from statutory sources.
- Residential care for those with disabilities

The help is available to almost anyone with a service connection.

See website above or call 0800 260 6767

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Sidney Perry Foundation

<https://www.the-sidney-perry-foundation.co.uk/>

The Foundation supports first-degree students with supplementary grants to a maximum of £1000. Students must be under 35 years old at the start of the course.

Sure Start Maternity Grant

<https://www.gov.uk/sure-start-maternity-grant>

A one-off payment of £500 to help towards the costs of having a child. You usually qualify for the grant if both of the following apply: you're expecting your first child, or you're expecting a multiple birth (such as twins) and have children already and you or your partner already get certain benefits.

You must claim the grant within 11 weeks of the baby's due date or within 6 months after the baby's birth. You do not have to pay the grant back and it will not affect your other benefits or tax credits.

To get help with your claim, call the Sure Start Maternity Grant Helpline 0800 169 0140

The Talismans Charity

<http://www.talismancharity.org/>

The Talismans trust assist individuals in the UK of small means who the trustees consider to be deserving and may be described as "going short". The charity helps individuals in need with one-off grants to relieve poverty for education, health, housing, disablement or disability.

*Applications should be made on behalf of individuals by a local authority, another charitable organisation or a non-profit organisation such as the Citizens' Advice Bureau.

The Teaching Staff Trust

www.teachingstafftrust.org.uk

The Teaching Staff trust provides financial support when something's happened that couldn't have been expected. They offer help to teachers, teaching assistants, nursery workers, caretakers and lunch supervisors who have worked within the education sector for at least five years. Grant can be used to help with bills, household costs, travel or other essentials.

See website above or call 01322 293 822

The Thomas Wall Trust

<https://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/grants-for-individuals/>

The charity offers grants up to £1,500 to study on accredited vocational training courses up to qualification level 3 and towards other costs associated with studying, including: child care, travel and mobility costs, and accessible study materials. To be able to apply for help from the Thomas Wall Trust, you must be undertaking accredited vocational training up to level 3 and be experiencing financial difficulties. You must also have been unemployed for at least six months within the last two years, have the right to work and study in the UK, and have lived in the UK for at least three years.

UNISON: There for You & Winter Fuel Grants

<https://www.unison.org.uk/get-help/services-support/there-for-you/financial-assistance/>

The 'There for You' grant can help with general living costs, household appliances, urgent repairs, disability equipment and adaptations, and funeral costs. To be eligible to apply for financial assistance, you must have been a member of UNISON for at least four weeks and up-to-date with your subscriptions. Also, that the financial difficulties that led you to apply occurred after you joined. Partners or dependents can also apply. If you are in financial difficulty as a result of the coronavirus crisis, please state in your application your particular needs due to the pandemic.

The 'There for You Winter Fuel Grant' programme for 2021 opens on Monday 25 January. For this year only, grants of up to £200 will be available to help UNISON members with fuel bills this winter. Members whose income is less than £18,200 (if living alone) or £26,000 (for a family) can apply. Applications will also be accepted from members in receipt of either Housing Benefit, Universal Credit or Council Tax reduction.

See website above or call 020 7121 5620 and leave a message asking for a call back.

Warm and Well Cornwall

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/public-health-cornwall/public-health-campaigns/warm-and-well-cornwall/>

The Winter Wellbeing Partnership, led by Cornwall Council and including 30 partners, has secured over £3.5m from National Grid's Warm Homes Fund to work with thousands of people to stay warmer for less and be lifted out of fuel poverty. The new fund – 'Warm and Well Cornwall' – targets residents who are living in a cold and damp home, are in poor health, have a long-term health condition or at risk of ill health, or are on a low income.

Call Community Energy Plus 0800 954 1956 to see how they can help.

WaveLength

<https://wavelength.org.uk/apply-for-help/individuals/>

WaveLength gives media technology to lonely people living in poverty. They can provide radios, televisions, and tablet computers to help people maintain and increase the number of meaningful connections they have in their lives. They support people who are lonely because of age, poor physical or mental health, or by circumstances which make it hard for them to leave their home. They take applications for individuals and groups.

The Vegetarian Charity

<https://www.vegetariancharity.org.uk/>

The Vegetarian Charity offers grants for vegetarians and vegans aged below 26 who need financial assistance, such as help with educational courses or essential items. Parents can apply on behalf of vegetarian children aged under sixteen. Grants are not usually greater than £500.

Women's Resilience Fund:

<https://www.smallwoodtrust.org.uk/flexible-response-fund>

** Please note, this grant will re-open on the 26th April 2021.*

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Grants and support for women on low incomes who have specific needs and are struggling to make ends meet or trying to overcome financial problems.

The Trust provide support to women in the following priority areas:

- Women with housing related debt.
- Women living on a reduced income as a direct result of Covid-19.
- Women over the age of 50 facing financial difficulties and on a low income.
- Women who are or who have been affected by domestic violence or abuse, including financial and economic abuse and coercive control.

The Smallwood Trust understand that a small amount of money and support can make a big difference in helping your financial stability, ability to cope with adversity and to maintain your independence. That's why they can provide a little bit of extra cash and a guiding hand through a tough situation. We will discuss your circumstances with you when you apply, we encourage you to

Please email all communications to: info@smallwoodtrust.org.uk or call 0300 365 1886.

**** Turn2Us Website**

<https://benefits-calculator.turn2us.org.uk/AboutYou>

<https://grants-search.turn2us.org.uk/>

Turn2us is a national charity providing practical help to people who are struggling financially. They have an online grant search for people by postcode. The site also has a very well used and regarded Benefits Calculator to find out which welfare benefits you may be entitled to.