

POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS IN GENERAL

1st FORMATIONS SCHOLARSHIP

71-75 Shelton Street, Covent Garden, London, WC2H 9JQ

www.1stformations.co.uk/business-scholarship

Tel: 020 3897 2233

This Scholarship awards up to 10 successful applicants with a bursary of £600 each. The bursary is designed to help students with some of the additional costs involved in studying, such as the cost of course materials, textbooks and other living expenses.

To be eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- A current student (undergraduate or postgraduate) in a recognised UK academic institution.
- Display a desire to run your own business.
- Demonstrate academic excellence by providing a letter of recommendation from a tutor or course co-ordinator.
- You must not be a previous recipient of the 1st Formations Business Scholarship.
- Demonstrate personal circumstances which make you a suitable candidate for additional financial support.

See website for details on how to apply and what evidence to provide.

ALFRED FOSTER CHARITABLE SETTLEMENT

c/o Zedra Trust Company (UK) Ltd., Osborne Court, Gadbrook Park
Rudheath, Northwich, Cheshire CW9 7UE

Tel: 01606 313118 Email: charities@zedra.com

For the relief of poverty among employees (including ex-employees) of banks and their dependants. Also offers assistance in the education of children of persons who are, or have been, employees of banks.

Please note: The Trust cannot assist employees or ex-employees of building societies.

Applications in writing to the correspondent.

ALL SAINTS EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Knightrider House, 2 Knightrider Court, London EC4V 5AR

www.aset.org.uk

Tel: (0) 20 7248 8380 Email: aset@aset.org.uk

The All Saints Educational Trust makes personal grant awards to teachers, intending teachers and students in Religious Studies, Home Economics and related areas.

Awards to students over the age of 18 years from the UK/EU 'home' students, and to students who are citizens of other countries, studying at a university within the UK.

Several exclusions apply – please visit their website for more information. Enquiries on a form available from the website. Once it has been verified that the candidate is eligible, a full application form will be sent. UK/EU applications will be considered in April.

AJA UJS STUDENT WELFARE FUND

c/o Goldwins, 75 Maygrove Road, West Hampstead, London NW6 2EG

www.anglojewish.org.uk

Tel: 020 7449 0909 Email: admin@ujjs.org.uk

Means-tested grants to assist Jewish students (who are British Citizens) with the costs of further education. Students should demonstrate that they have a significant financial need. This may also include students who have had a major change in their financial circumstances (e.g. a parent made redundant or fallen ill).

- available to British undergraduates
- for those obtaining their first degree, or an equivalent course, from a recognised UK based educational institution. Unfortunately, part-time courses cannot be supported.
- available as a contribution towards essential living or studying costs, such as utilities, travel, books or other study material.
- up to a maximum of £1,500 per applicant per year.

Application Form and further guidelines are available on the website. You must accompany your application with two references; failure to do so will mean your application cannot be processed. Completed applications must arrive by 30 April preceding the commencement of the academic year for which the grant is requested, at the latest.

CHARIS GRANTS

Charis Grants Ltd, Trinity Court, Trinity Street, Peterborough PE1 1DA

www.charisgrants.com / www.lets-talk.online

Tel: 01733 421021 Email: admin@charisgrants.com

Help with utility bill debts and other household debts. Charis works with the following companies and Local Authorities to deliver a number of Charitable Trusts, Hardship Funds, Rebate Schemes, Social Tariffs and Local Authority Welfare Schemes:

- British Gas • EDF Energy • EON • nPower • Anglian Water • First Utility • Scottish Power • Utility Warehouse • Economy Energy • Park Homes • Spark • SSE

Please refer to the individual websites of each of the Schemes to see if you are eligible to apply and the help available (see website links on the www.lets-talk.online webpage).

EATON FUND

PO Box 528, Fleet GU51 9HH

www.eaton-fund.co.uk

Tel: 020 3289 3209 Email: admin@eatonfund.org.uk

Applications for grants are considered from either:

- Artists (painters, potters, sculptors and photographers, not performing artists)
- Nurses (in employment or retired, in hardship or with long-term sickness/disability)
- Women over 18 years, experiencing hardship.

Applicants must be resident in the UK. Grants are made, **once only** to each individual, for a specific item or purpose. A supporting letter from a third party, such as a social worker or tutor, is also required. Trustees make decisions on grants at meetings held every two months.

Further information and application form available on the website.

EWS EDUCATIONAL TRUST

EWS Educational Trust, c/o UNW LLP, Citygate, St. James' Boulevard, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4JE

<http://ewseducationaltrust.co.uk>

Applicants must have a close family member who works or who previously worked within the UK rail freight industry. Close family members are defined as being a parent, step-parent, grandparent, spouse, partner or civil partner. Applications are also considered from individuals who are or were employed directly in the UK rail freight industry.

The Trust makes several types of awards to eligible candidates. These awards usually take the form of:

- A discretionary grant to individuals who are seeking to pursue a qualification in higher education, usually paid over a number of years and subject to evidence of their continued study.
- A discretionary grant for people who have a particular sporting or artistic talent, this type of award is intended to help them realise their ambitions and full potential.
- A discretionary grant awarded through the Special Access Funding to help applicants with support such as with specialist equipment or technical support for those needing an extra helping hand in allowing them to achieve their optimum potential in life.

Application form and full eligibility details available on their website.

FINNART HOUSE SCHOOL TRUST

www.finnart.org

Tel: 020 7794 9835 Email: info@finnart.org

The majority of the Trust's income is used to award scholarships for tertiary education to needy Jewish students, who might otherwise be denied the opportunity of further education.

Eligible Applicants will normally be those going directly from 6th Form to University, who are under 21 at the start of the course. Scholarships are awarded for the duration of the course, so mostly for 3 or 4 years and occasionally longer, e.g. for medical students.

See their website for full guidance notes and downloadable Application Pack. Completed applications must be received by 30th April preceeding the commencement of the academic year for which the grant is requested, at the latest.

They are also now offering a Peter Shaw Memorial Scholarship for £3000/annum for a student completing an undergraduate degree in Youth Work. The student must meet all of the criteria for a general Finnart Scholarship.

FUND FOR HUMAN NEED

Grants Officer, Karen Drayton, Trinity Cottage, 168 Watling Street, Brownhills, WS8 7LU

<http://fundforhumanneed.org.uk/>

Email: kedrayton1@gmail.com

One-off grants of up to £120 to people who are in distress or to those attempting to get over a short-term hurdle / crisis. Priority is given to those • who are destitute or have no income or benefits • who are particularly vulnerable • where £120 will make a major difference

Please note the charity only has a limited amount of monthly funds and receives a huge amount of applications. For this reason it is unable to help anyone who already has some source of income.

Applications may be made in writing to the charity or via the form on their website, including details of financial circumstances. However, the majority of applications are made through intermediary organisations.

GEORGE DREXLER FOUNDATION

35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PE

www.georgedrexler.org.uk

Financial bursaries to support UK students on a recognised educational course in the UK (in particular to assist gifted or talented individuals who are struggling to support themselves financially through university or college).

To qualify either the applicant, the applicant's parents or grandparents must have worked in, or owned a commercial business. This does not include professional people i.e. doctors, accountants, architects, solicitors, etc. Supporting documentation may be required.

Bursaries are made annually, with applications considered by the Trustees in May each year. Completed applications must be submitted online via the Foundation's website by the 31 March. All applicants will be notified of the outcome by early June.

Applicants can apply for a bursary within the range £500 to a maximum of £2,000 (although the Foundation has limited funds so only a small number of awards are made each year)

Bursaries will be paid directly to the individual usually in September of the year awarded.

GEORGE HEIM MEMORIAL TRUST

Paul Heim, Trustee, Wearne Wyche, Pict's Hill, Langport, Somerset, TA10 9AA

Tel: 01458 252097

Grants to people up to the age of thirty who are in further or higher education. Grants range from £100 to £1,000.

Applications in writing to the correspondent.

GILCHRIST EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Grants Officer, 4 St Michaels Gate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY1 2HL

www.gilchristgrants.org.uk

Tel: 01743 383047 Email: gilchrist.et@gmail.com

Two categories of students are eligible for consideration:

- Those who have made proper provision to fund a degree or higher education course but find themselves facing unexpected financial difficulties which may prevent the completion of it. Applicants will normally be in the last year of their course.
- Those who as part of their degree, are required to spend a short period studying in another country.

Applicants in either category must be full-time students at a British University.

Exclusions apply – please visit their website for more details. In response to an initial enquiry, the trust sends a sheet listing the information required before an application can be considered. Applications can be submitted at any time of the year. They must be sent by post and will not be accepted via e-mail.

GRANTHAM YORKE TRUST

Shakespeare Martineau, 1 Colmore Square, Birmingham, B4 6AA
Tel: 0800 763 1000 Email: christine.norgrove@sghmartineau.com

One-off grants for relief in need and education, to people under 25 who were born in what was the old West Midlands metropolitan county area (basically: Birmingham, Coventry, Dudley, Redditch, Sandwell, Solihull, Tamworth, Walsall or Wolverhampton).

Applications on a form available from the correspondent. Trustees meet quarterly to discuss applications.

HELENA KENNEDY FOUNDATION

The Administrator, Room 243A University House,
University of East London, Stratford Campus, Water Lane, London E15 4LZ

www.hkf.org.uk

Tel: 0208 223 2027 Email: enquiries@hkf.org.uk

The Foundation supports students who are in financial need and are studying for their first degree. The bursaries are available to students currently studying at a FE college or sixth form college and applying to enter university. If you are already on or have undertaken a higher education course you are not eligible to apply. If you are not at a FE college or sixth form college you will not be eligible to apply.

You should only apply for an award if you are facing financial difficulties which will make progression to higher education difficult. HKF awards are designed to support students who have overcome significant barriers to complete their further education.

See website for full guidance notes and application form.

HOCKERILL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

3 The Swallows, Harlow, Essex CM17 0AR

www.hockerillfoundation.org.uk

Email: info@hockerillfoundation.org.uk

The Foundation makes individual grants mainly to those training in the UK to be teachers, with a priority to teaching Religious Education. If funds are available they also make grants to students on other first degree courses and some further education courses who have particular financial difficulties.

Grants are not usually awarded for the first year of a three or four year course, but exceptions may be made for mature students.

Applications on a form available from the foundation's website. Applications are accepted from December for the following year.

HUMANITARIAN TRUST

The Trustees, c/o Prism the Gift Fund, 20 Gloucester Place, London W1U 8HA

Tel: 020 7486 7760

Grants to British citizens and overseas students under 30 years old who are on a recognised course of academic study at graduate or post graduate level in the UK, and who hold a basic grant for the course. Grants of £200 are awarded for academic subjects only, and top up fees. Some exclusions apply, please contact for more information.

Applications in writing including a CV, income and expenses and total shortfall, plus two references (from course tutor and head of department). Applications are considered twice a year in March and October.

JOSEPH SCOTT'S EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION GRANT

The Trustees, 35 Medcroft Avenue, Birmingham B20 1 NB

<http://josephscottseducationalfoundation.co.uk>

Email: josephscott1901@gmail.com

To be eligible for the Joseph Scott's Educational Foundation Grant you must have been educated for at least two years at a school provided by the Birmingham Education Authority or at a legally designated Academy or Free School within the boundaries of the City of Birmingham, whilst being a resident within these boundaries.

Generally the grant can be used to study for a first degree course, and funds are for course requirements and essential living expenses. The amount of grant awarded is reviewed periodically and is currently set at a maximum of £500 for each year of a student's further education course. Application form and additional eligibility criteria available on website.

KITCHENER SCHOLARSHIP

The Secretary, Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund, Maryfield, Queen Mary Avenue,
Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 5PE

www.lknmf.com

Tel: 07931378876 Email: secretary@lknmf.com

The Council of the Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund offers scholarships to the value of £1000 to be paid to students at the beginning of their course. To be eligible a candidate must:

- a) Be a British subject and have served, or be the son or daughter of a parent who has at any time served or is serving on a full time engagement in HM Armed Forces. This includes members and former members of the Territorial Army and other Reserve Forces of the Crown, and their sons and daughters, providing that the former have served an element of full time or permanent service for a minimum consecutive period of three months.
- b) Be admitted as an undergraduate to a university or institution of university rank in the United Kingdom in October 2018 to read for a first degree.
- c) Be over 17 and under 21 years of age on 1st January 2018. Former Service men or women may be considered up to the age of 30.

Full details and application form available on their website. Deadline for application is 31st May for the academic year starting in September/October of that year. Candidates are judged on academic achievement and potential. Short-listed candidates will be called for interview in London normally in July or September.

LEATHERSELLERS' COMPANY CHARITABLE FUND

7 St Helen's Place, London EC3A 6AB

<http://www.leathersellers.co.uk>

Tel: 020 7330 1444 Email: enquiries@leathersellers.co.uk

The Leathersellers' Company awards Student Grants of up to £5,000 a year, for a maximum of 4 years, to study full-time for a degree at a UK University.

You should put forward a strong case both academically and in terms of personal circumstance as to why you feel you should be considered for an award, and also be able to demonstrate that you are making every effort to apply for and raise funds to cover your course costs and living expenses, such as applying for other grants & loans, working part time or getting help from your family if possible.

See website for further eligibility criteria, plus application form.

LEVERHULME TRADE CHARITIES TRUST

1 Pemberton Row, London EC4A 3BG

www.leverhulme-trade.org.uk

Tel: 020 7042 9885 Email: info@leverhulme-trade.org.uk

Grants to undergraduate and postgraduate students who are the child, spouse, widow or widower of a commercial traveller, chemist, or grocer, and who are resident in the UK.

Undergraduate Bursaries up to £3000 per annum may be paid for any full-time first degree in the UK. Grants for any reasonable costs connected with going to university, including tuition fees, accommodation costs, living expenses, or equipment to help you study. Grants paid to institutions to pass through to the successful applicants.

Please visit their website for full details of eligibility, and for an on-line application form. Applications must reach the Trust by the closing dates of 1st November or 1st March.

MONICA ELWES SHIPWAY SPORTING FOUNDATION

110 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AY

Tel: 020 7570 1460 Email: sgoldring@mwe.com

One-off grants towards clothing and equipment, for schoolchildren and university students engaged in sporting activities who live in England and Wales and have limited resources. No contribution towards general university fees and no support to individuals with sufficient resources.

Apply in writing to the correspondent, for consideration throughout the year.

P AND M LOVELL CHARITABLE TRUST

Kpmg Llp, 66 Queen Square, Bristol, BS1 4BE

Tel: 0117 905 4000

One-off grants of up to £500. Awarded to people in education who are in need. All applications should be in writing and posted to the correspondent.

PROFESSIONALS AID COUNCIL

10 St Christopher's Place, London, W1U 1HZ

www.pcac.org.uk

Tel: 020 7935 0641 Email: admin@professionalsaid.org.uk

Grants are given to home students, overseas students, and refugees, who are studying in the UK.

The fund may be able to help if your planned funding has broken down due to circumstances beyond your control after your course has started. To be eligible for help, your parents must hold a university degree or equivalent and/or be part of a profession that requires this level of education. Alternatively, if you have a first degree yourself then you meet the criteria. Grants are usually in the region of £300 – £500.

Full details and enquiry form available on website.

RHONA REID CHARITABLE TRUST

K Clayton, Rathbone Taxation Services, Port of Liverpool Buildings, Pier Head, Liverpool L3 1NW

Tel: 0151 236 6666 Email: elaine.wilson@rathbones.com

One-off and recurrent grants according to need for necessities and activities which would be “supporting excellence in the chosen field”, for people involved in the study and advancement of medicine (especially ophthalmology), music and the arts.

Grants are also made to organisations and people who are blind, visually impaired or have another disability.

Applications in writing to the correspondent. Applications are considered in March and September.

ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

Grants Officer, Royal Geographical Society (with IBG), 1 Kensington Gore, London SW7 2AR

www.rgs.org/grants

Tel: 020 7591 3000

The society provides several grants with different eligibility criteria to postgraduates and undergraduates from the UK, and/or EU, and/or other countries, to support university students with research and field trip costs (not living costs or tuition fees) in areas such as geography, environmental science, conservation, society, economy, and natural history. Some grants are also specifically for female students.

See their website for further details.

THE ROYAL PINNER SCHOOL FOUNDATION

110 Old Brompton Road, South Kensington, London SW7 3RB

www.royalpinner.co.uk

Tel: 020 7373 6168 Email: admin@royalpinner.co.uk

An Educational Trust for the Children of Commercial Travellers, Travelling Sales (commercial) and Technical Representatives and Manufacturer's Agents, where the family has suffered adversity, and with a preference for those under the age of 25.

Grants may be awarded to assist with the educational costs for children at school, college or university.

Applications should be submitted in writing to the Secretary.

SCARR-HALL MEMORIAL TRUST

Mrs Ruth Scarr-Hall, Amhuinnsuidh Castle, Amhuinnsuidh, Harris,
Outer Hebrides, Scotland HS3 3AS

The Trust awards grants for students in education in the UK who are in financial hardship. One-off grants according to need in the range of £100 and £500.

Applications in writing, including details on the individual circumstances, why the grant is required and how much is needed. Ensure to enclose a Stamped Addressed Envelope.

S C WITTING TRUST

The Administrator, c/o Friends House, 173 Euston Rd, London NW1 2BJ

Email: scwittingtrust@quaker.org.uk

One-off grants to people ordinarily resident in England, Poland or Germany, who are at university or preparing to go to university. Grants are small – average £100 for books, equipment or instruments. No grants for the payment of debts.

Applications must be made in writing by the person in need, and should include a letter of support from someone like a tutor indicating financial need. Applications must give a short case history, reasons for need, and the amount needed. Applications are considered monthly, and unsuccessful applications will not be acknowledged unless a SAE is provided.

The trust does not accept telephone calls – email applications and postal applications only.

SEVERN TRENT TRUST FUND

Freepost, RLZE – EABT – SHSA, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1TJ

www.sttf.org.uk

Tel: 0121 355 7766 Email: office@sttf.org.uk

The Trust can consider making a grant to meet water and/or sewerage charges due to Severn Trent Water if you are in hardship and unable to pay. It can also help with water or sewerage charges which are collected by other companies or organisations on behalf of Severn Trent Water. In certain cases, the Trust can also consider giving some help to meet other essential bills, household needs or priority debts.

See website for full details and application form.

SIDNEY PERRY FOUNDATION

The Secretary, PO Box 889, Oxford OX1 9PT

www.the-sidney-perry-foundation.co.uk

The Foundation aims primarily at helping first-degree students in hardship, maximum grant being £1000. Eligible overseas students studying in Britain can also apply. Postgraduates may also receive support.

Students are expected to have a confirmed placement at University and have the bulk of their funding. Because of limited resources, the foundation is unable to assist students in the first year of a three or four-year course, or those over the age of 35.

Full details and application form available on website.

VEGETARIAN CHARITY

The Grants Secretary, PO Box 496, Manchester M45 0FL

www.vegetariancharity.org.uk

Email: grantssecretary@vegetariancharity.org.uk

Grants to people who are vegetarian or vegans up to, and including, 25 years of age. for the relief of poverty and support with educational courses. Individual grants are not usually greater than £500. Assistance to students studying courses of higher education is generally only given for first degrees and not for postgraduate study. However, all applications are considered on their individual merits.

Application on a form available from the website, including details of any other grants received, a CV, covering letter, bank statements and references. Applications are considered throughout the year.

SEARCH FOR TRUST FUNDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER FUNDING

In addition to this list, there are websites which provide information on Scholarships and Charitable Trusts, and also include a Grant search facility to help students identify appropriate funding based on individual circumstances and needs - see examples below:

- www.turn2us.org.uk - a charitable service which helps people access welfare benefits, educational grants and other help. Individuals can search their database to find funding.
- www.thescholarshipub.org.uk - provides a searchable database for scholarships and other funding.

When applying to charities you are advised to consider the criteria carefully as organisations often have very limited funding and will not consider applications unless they meet their specific criteria.

- The Directory of Social Change publishes "**The Educational Grants Directory**" which lists details of charities and trust funds - a copy of this directory can be accessed via the University Money Advisers.

