

POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR LOCAL STUDENTS



ALFRICK EDUCATIONAL CHARITY

Bewell, Alfrick, Worcester, Worcestershire, WR6 5EY

Email: a.duncan@wwf.co.uk

Grants are given to further and higher education students who are under 25 and live in the parish of Alfrick, Lulsley, and Suckley. Grants are given for books, maintenance/living expenses and educational outings in the UK.

Contact the Charity to request an application form.

ALVECHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL TRUST

www.alvechurchgst.org.uk

Sue Moxon, 20 Willowbrook Road, Alvechurch B48 7PZ

Tel: **07867 387267** Email: enquiries@alvechurchgst.org.uk

Small grants awarded to children and young people under the age of 25 who/whose parents are resident in the old parish of Alvechurch (Alvechurch, Hopwood, Rowney Green, Bordesley, Weatheroak and parts of Barnt Green) and who require financial assistance. Grants and funding can be offered in the form of scholarships, exhibitions, bursaries or maintenance allowances. They may also offer financial assistance to purchase items such as clothing, uniform, tools, books, or to undertake travel which will enable the individual to complete their studies, broaden their experience, or perform voluntary work on overseas projects.

Further details and an application form can be found on the website. Application deadlines are: 1st January, 1st May and 1st September.

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ANCIENT PARISH OF RIPPLE TRUST

Balmain, Uckinghall, TEWKESBURY, Gloucestershire GL20 6EP

Tel: **01684 591567**

Email: **vwoodham09@btinternet.com**

Makes small cash grants to students in higher education for purchase of books required as part of their course. Students must be resident in the parishes of Ripple, Holdfast, Queenhill, and Bushley.

Applications in writing to the correspondent. Applications are considered twice a year.

ANTHONY & GWENDOLINE WYLDE MEMORIAL CHARITY

www.wyldecharity.weebly.com

3 Waterfront Business Park, Dudley Road, Brierley Hill, DY5 1LX

Email: **kirsty.mcewen@higgsandsons.co.uk**

The Charity will only consider applications from the DY6, DY7, DY8, DY9, DY10 AND DY11 Postcode areas (Dudley and Staffordshire, with particular emphasis on Kinver and Stourbridge). For Educational Grants the charity need a letter or email from the school/college/university, confirming the applicant is due to take a course, or a copy of the course details showing the student's name.

Further details and application form can be found on the website.

BALDWIN BEWDLEY TRUST

SGH Martineau, 1 Colmore Square, Birmingham, B4 6AA

Tel: **0121 214 0358**

Email: **georgina.luckman@shma.co.uk**

Grants given to further the education of people over the age of 12 who live in Worcestershire. Either the person or the referral agency may apply.

Contact the Trust for further information on how to apply.

BAYLIES EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

www.dudleyrotary.org.uk/baylies.html

David Hughes, Clerk to the Trustees, 53 The Broadway, Dudley DY1 4AP

Tel: **01384 259277** Email: **bayliesfoundation@hotmail.co.uk**

The Baylies Educational Foundation gives educational grants to suitable applicants, under the age of 25, living in Dudley in the West Midlands. Grants range from assisting with the costs of a university or college education, travel costs, educational trips at home and abroad, school uniforms, to grants to improve a talent in music, the arts or sport. Help has also been given to unemployed people to retrain, and to others with family difficulties that affect their educational requirements. Applicants should show that they have made an effort to fund themselves before applying to the foundation.

Application forms and further details can be obtained from the address above or on the website.

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BEWDLEY OLD GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOUNDATION

Bewdley School, Stourport Road, Bewdley, Worcestershire DY12 1BL

Tel: **01299 403277**

Email: **office@bewdley.worcs.sch.uk**

Educational grants are awarded to people, under 25, living in Bewdley and the parishes of Rock and Ribbesford, Worcestershire. Grants to school children and further/higher education students to help with general educational costs including books, uniforms/clothing, necessities and maintenance. Music and arts studies are also supported.

Application should be by letter or email, either by the person in need or a referral agency.

DANIEL PARSONS EDUCATIONAL CHARITY

www.dudleyrotary.org.uk/parsons.html

53 The Broadway, Dudley, West Midlands DY1 4AP

Tel: **01384 259277** Email: **parsonscharity@hotmail.com**

Grants for the promotion of education to persons under the age of twenty five, being or having been educated in Dudley and living or having parents living in Dudley. The Trustees will consider assistance to gain or develop any type of academic, artistic or athletic skill. They cannot help anyone who could obtain the same support from the State or any other source. As a charity, originally endowed to educate poor children, they are more inclined to aid the less well off and do not usually enter into long term commitments.

Further information and application form available on their website.

EMMA RUSSELL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Cloisters, Worcester Road, Ledbury HR8 1PL

Tel: **01531 632638**

Email: **cwm@masefield.co.uk**

Grants to help people with expenses at University and those undertaking apprenticeships and training generally. Must be under 25 and live in the parishes of Ledbury Rural and Wellington Heath.

Applications on a form available from the correspondent.

GRANTHAM YORKE TRUST

The Estate Office, Wharf Cottage, Newnham Bridge, Tenbury Wells WR15 8NY

Tel: **07799784019**

Email: **chrissy@granthamyorketrust.org.uk**

One off educational grants for indirect costs for people under 25 who were born in the old West Midlands metropolitan county area (basically: Birmingham, Coventry, Dudley, Redditch, Sandwell, Solihull, Tamworth, Walsall or Wolverhampton). Grants might be given for: clothing, equipment or books to help someone leaving education to prepare for a preparation or trade apprenticeships promoting or assisting the education of someone in need of physical, mental or moral care education.

Contact the Trust for information on how to apply.

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GREAT AND LITTLE HAMPTON EDUCATIONAL CHARITY

19 Steppes Piece, Bidford-On-Avon, ALCESTER, Warwickshire B50 4AT

Tel: **07976309416**

Email: **hamptoneducationcharity@gmail.com**

Further/Higher Education/Training Awards for students under the age of 25 who reside in the area of the Parish of Great and Little Hampton.

Contact the Charity for information on how to apply.

HEREFORD MUNICIPAL CHARITIES

147 St Owen Street, Hereford HR1 2JR

Telephone: **01432 354 002**

Email: **clerk@herefordalmshouses.co.uk**

One-off grants to people in need who live in the city of Hereford. Grants are given to help with the cost of education and starting work.

Applications on a form available from the correspondent.

HEREFORD SOCIETY FOR AIDING THE INDUSTRIOUS

18 Venns Close, Bath Street, Hereford, HR1 2HH

Tel: **01432 274 014**

Email: **info@hsfai.co.uk**

Grants to people living in the city of Hereford and its immediate environs. One-off grants ranging between £50 and £1,000 and occasionally interest-free loans. Grants can be made towards: schoolchildren for educational outings; people starting work towards books and equipment/instruments; students in further/higher education towards books, fees and living expenses; and mature students towards books, travel, fees and childcare.

Apply in writing to the correspondent. If eligible, an application form will be sent and the applicant will probably be asked to attend an interview. Grants are rarely given directly to the applicant; instead they are given to the school, college etc

JOHN MARTIN'S CHARITY

www.johnmartins.org.uk

Clerk to the Trustees, 16 Queen's Road, Evesham, Worcestershire, WR11 4JN

Tel: **01386 765440** Email: **enquiries@johnmartins.org.uk**

Grants are awarded to students aged 16 and over who have been permanently resident in the town of Evesham for at least 12 months immediately prior to 1st September in the year of application. Awards are given to full or part time HND, Degree level, and Postgraduate students, and for those who are on part time vocational or educational courses.

More information and application form available on their website.

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MARGARET WESTWOOD MEMORIAL CHARITY

c/o Higgs & Sons, 3 Waterfront Business Park, Brierley Hill, West Midlands DY5 1LX

Tel: **01384 327322**

Email: **kirsty.mcewen@higgsandsons.co.uk**

Applicants have to be permanent residents in the old County of Worcestershire as it existed in 1946 (this includes parts of Dudley and Sandwell). Grants are not normally awarded to persons over the age of 25 and funding is not normally available for the normal costs of education, e.g. undergraduate or postgraduate courses. From time to time, however, one-off occasional small grants may be paid towards specific items, e.g. books, course materials and such like. Funding may be available for applicants participating in organised expeditions undertaken for sporting, educational, or charitable purposes.

Application forms can be obtained by phone or email.

MARY HILL TRUST

16 The Tything, Worcester WR1 1HD

Tel: **01905 731731**

Email: **a.duncan@wwf.co.uk**

For people in need who live within the boundaries of the city of Worcester.

Contact the trust directly to apply.

PALMER AND SEABRIGHT CHARITY

c/o Wall, James & Chappell, 15-23 Hagley Road, Stourbridge,
West Midlands DY8 1QW

Tel: **01384 371622**

The Charity gives one-off grants for children and young people under the age of 25 who live in the borough of Stourbridge and need financial assistance with their education or training.

Applications on a form available from the correspondent.

SEBRIGHT'S EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

www.sebrights.org.uk

Adam House, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster DY10 2SA

Email: **clerk@sebrights.org.uk**

Grants to students under the age of 25 living in most of the Wyre Forest area and parts of the Dudley Metropolitan Borough. However if you are between the ages of 24 and 30 years of age and feel that your circumstances are exceptional you should contact the Clerk with a full explanation.

Grants considered towards books, tools, special equipment, software, field trips, electives. The Governors also have a scheme to supply a good quality general purpose laptop. Consideration may be given towards the costs of any travel which is a necessary part of your course. Governors will consider making a grant towards the fees of a Master's degree course and may also offer an interest free loan.

Further information and an application form available on their website.

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UNITED CHARITIES OF SAINT MARTIN

4 St Catherine's Hill, London Road, Worcester, WR5 2EA

Tel: **01905 355585**

One-off grants are given to people in need who are resident in the parish of St Martin, Worcester, for general educational purposes. Either the person in need or the referral agency may apply. Apply in writing to the correspondent.

WALWYN'S EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

29 Brookmill Close, Colwall, Malvern, Worcestershire WR13 6HY

Tel: **01684 541995**

Email: **cdw1810@btinternet.com**

Small annual grants toward the educational expenses of students taking degree or equivalent courses in Higher Education at a recognised educational institution. To be eligible your home must be in the parishes of Colwall or Little Malvern. They normally only consider students under the age of 25.

Application forms are available from the Walwyn Library in Colwall or requested by email. Completed forms must be returned to the address above.

WORCESTER MAYOR'S FUND

Worcester City Council, The Guildhall, Worcester, WR1 2EY

Tel: **01905 722005**

Email: **claire.chaplin@worcester.gov.uk**

Small grants for residents of Worcester City who are in dire need. Usually one-off grants of between £30 and £100 for things such as books and materials, although no assistance with student fees.

Applications on a form available from the correspondent.

WORCESTER MUNICIPAL CHARITIES

www.wmcharities.org.uk

Kateryn Heywood House, Berkeley Court, The Foregate, Worcester WR1 3QG

Tel: **01905 317117** Email: **admin@wmcharities.org.uk**

Grants to people of any age who live in Worcester City, including Parishes of Powick, Bransford and Rushwick, and the Ancient Parish of Leigh.

Applications for assistance may also be considered from people of any age who live outside these areas but who have attended school in the City for at least two years. Applicants need to demonstrate financial hardship with evidence that the need cannot be met from Local Authority or other statutory authorities; excludes applicants from fee paying institutions, travel abroad, and awards beyond 1st Degree level. Grants can be made for any educational purpose e.g. for fees, books, instruments, equipment, travel to pursue education in this country or abroad, tools or uniform to enter a profession or trade.

Full details and application form available on their website.

SEARCH FOR TRUST FUNDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER FUNDING

- 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.thescholarshiphub.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 is usually available as a reference book in public libraries. A copy of this directory can also be accessed via the University Money Advisers.

