

Flood Recovery Fund

Grants for individuals and families – Guidance notes

Grants may be made for charitable purposes to relieve hardship caused directly or indirectly by the recent storms and flooding. The fund has been set up by donations from individuals, local businesses and charitable organisations.

Who can apply?

- Individuals or families whose main residence and contents have been damaged by flooding or who are suffering other hardship as a result of the flooding.
- We would not normally fund businesses but we may consider small business owners or employees facing hardship due to lost work or income because of storm or flood. The fund is not designed to replace income but we may be able to consider cases of hardship.

We can provide support for the following:

- Cleaning up, including rental of dehumidifiers
- Emergency repairs
- Clothing
- Food and drink
- Heating and heating equipment
- Child care equipment
- Basic furniture and white goods
- Costs associated with temporary accommodation
- Additional fuel costs associated with the use of dehumidifiers

This is not an exhaustive list.

Priority will be given to households with:

- People over 65
- Children under 18
- People with physical or learning disabilities or mental health needs (eg receiving Disability Living Allowance, Incapacity Benefit or Attendance Allowance)
- Low incomes/people on benefits

We will not normally fund:

- Vehicles
- Businesses (but we can support business owners and employees who are facing hardship)

Wherever possible grants are made to help applicants replace essential items that have been lost. The fund does not aim to replace like with like and cannot be a substitute for insurance.

How much can you apply for?

Please apply for what you need. Typically initial hardship grants will be a few hundred pounds but may be more in exceptional circumstances (this is dependent on available funding and number of applications received)

We recognise that after the initial period, additional needs may become apparent and further applications to the fund will be accepted (dependent on funding available)

We may require further information such as quotes or a reference.

The application form is available on request from Two Ridings Community by telephoning 01904 929500 or emailing grants@tworidingscf.org.uk

If you would like to know more about this fund please contact 01904 929500.