

Sport & Culture Service Financial Hardship Fund

This fund is open to any child/young person under the age of 18yrs to help cover the costs of participating in any extra-curricular (outwith school) activities/opportunities. This list is not exhaustive but examples of the type of opportunities that may be supported include;

- Purchase of sports kit to participate in a sport
- Purchase of sports equipment
- Annual membership fee to join a sports club or similar
- Payments for music lessons
- Purchase of a musical instrument
- Travel costs to attend a group, club, organisation outwith school
- Payment to cover a training course (such as an IT course at a library)
- Participation to attend any sport/culture activity

Parents/guardians of a child/young person can apply for up to a maximum of £300 annually to this fund.

To be eligible to access this funding the household residence must be in receipt of at least 2 of the following benefits (please tick all that apply);

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| a) Housing Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> | g) Jobseekers Allowance <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Discretionary Housing Payment <input type="checkbox"/> | h) Employment Support Allowance <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Free School Meals <input type="checkbox"/> | i) Working Tax Credit <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Educational Clothing Grant <input type="checkbox"/> | j) Child Tax Credit <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Educational Maintenance Allowance <input type="checkbox"/> | k) Universal Credit <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f) Council Tax Reduction <input type="checkbox"/> | l) Income Support <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you receive any benefits listed under g-l from above list then evidence of an award letter will require to be submitted alongside this application. Benefits listed under a-f can be cross-checked via our Benefits and Money Advice Service.

Name of Applicant (parent/guardian)
Name of Child/Young Person
Address
Postcode
Tel No.
Email Address
Date of Birth (of child/young person seeking funding support)

Description of funding request (please include as much detail as possible – including name of activity/club/group, detailed breakdown of costs)

Successful applications will receive their funding payment direct into their bank account, therefore please provide bank details below

Name of Bank Account Holder

Name of Bank

Sort Code

Account Number

I confirm that I grant permission for the Sport & Culture Service within Moray Council to contact Moray Council's Benefits and Money Advice Service to confirm that I am in receipt of certain benefit entitlements which will ensure eligibility to apply for this fund.

I confirm that all the information contained in this application is true and accurate at the time of applying. If successful in receiving this funding I agree to report back on the impact that this funding has had on my child/ren.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____