# Gaddum ... Carers

# Hi, I'm Gaddum. Let's talk about... Grants and Funding

Grants and funding could help support you if you're going through a difficult time and need financial support. We can help support you to apply for funds or explain which are available to you based on your circumstances. If you would like to have a look yourself, there are a range of sites which can help you to find out at what is available to you.

# Turn2Us

The first port of call to find out which grant you or the person you care for is entitled to is the Turn2Us website. Turn2Us holds a database of grants and allows you to search by your postcode, gender and occupation to find out which grants may be available for you. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

There is also a benefit checker tool on Entitled, so you can add your personal information and get some advice on your entitlements. <u>Click here</u> for more information on their website.

# Carers personal budget

You are entitled to an up-to-date carers assessment each year, this may give you access to a fund called the carers personal budget (depending on your needs.) The purpose of this fund is to allow you to maintain and improve your wellbeing whilst caring. For more information speak to a worker at Gaddum Carers Salford, check out our other Factsheets and <u>click here</u> for the Salford Council guidance.

#### **Salford Assist**

Salford Assist has support available for those with recourse to public funds and can help with baby goods and white goods and large kitchen appliances in an emergency. Most grants expect you to have applied for local council support first and if applying for debt or arrears support (where relevant) you will need to have accessed debt management support or set up a payment plan before applying for a grant.

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# **Additional Grants and Funding**

#### **Manchester Relief in Need**

Manchester Relief in Need provides support to children and families in need, and those who have a disability or illness. The grants must be applied for by professionals on behalf of the individual or family in need of a grant. The value of the grant is usually no more than £500. Applications are looked at on a monthly basis at trustee meetings. Click here for more information.

## **Family Fund Grant**

This fund is available for carers of a young person 17 or under with a disability. The child or young person must have a life limiting illness or a long term disability. The Family Fund grant is available for electronics, washing machines, bedding, sensory toys and more. Their aim is to support families with grants that will make a real difference. To apply, you need to fill out a short application form or if you have previously applied, you will be able to apply online. Click here for more information.

# **Blessings in Disguise**

Blessings in Disguise provides one off grants for equipment that will help enhance a disabled young person's life. Click here for more information.

## **Glasspool Charity Trust**

The Trust awards funds for people in a range of circumstances, through their Essential Living Fund, you can apply for up to 3 items including baby items, clothing and school uniform, or white goods. There is also the option to apply for the Glasspool Partnership Fund. This fund can potentially fund household items and also less commonly funded things like TV license costs, they also support those with no recourse to public funds. Click here for more information.

#### **Elizabeth Finn Fund**

The Elizabeth Finn Fund provides one off or recurring grants to people who have worked in a professional occupation who have recently lost income. To be eligible for a grant from Elizabeth Finn, you must be able to prove you (or a partner) have worked in one of the qualifying occupations. To apply, you first must prove you meet the eligibility requirements and will then be invited to complete the full form. You can apply through Turn2Us.

## **British Legion Grant**

British Legion provides support to those who were previously or are currently in the armed forces and their families. Funds are available for veterans, employment grants after leaving the armed forces, mobility equipment and there is a voucher scheme for essentials.

Click here to find out more on their website.