



How to apply for the People's Fund



Who can apply for the People's Fund?

Anyone who receives support from United Response. If you are under 18, someone can apply on your behalf.

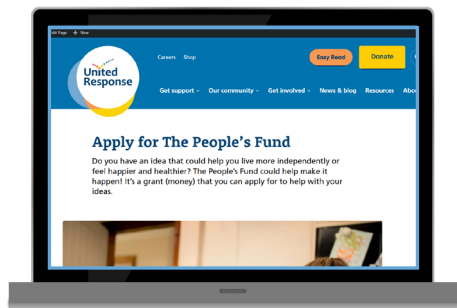


You can ask for support from your family, friends or support staff.



Can I make more than one application?

No. We can only accept 1 **application** per person each year. An application is a way to ask for money (called funding) to help with your project or idea.



How do I apply for the People's Fund?

You can apply by:

- Filling out a form on our website by clicking [here](#).



- Sending an email with your application, including videos, pictures, or a voice message to explain your idea.



Can someone help me complete my application?



Yes, either by answering the questions on the United Response website, or filming your video or taking photos.



How much can I apply for?

You can apply for £500 - £1,500. If your idea costs more, still apply.



When are the application deadlines?

These can be checked by clicking on the **website**.



What can I apply for?

We want people to apply for things that will help them live happier and more independent lives.



You know best what will make a difference to you, but here are some ideas:



- **Buy helpful technology**

Use tools like talking apps, smart devices, or reminders on your phone to help with speaking or being more independent.



- **To move into your own place**

Money towards a room or house where you can feel safe, happy, and proud to call home.



- **To buy helpful equipment**

Like a smart tablet that helps you speak, or a wheelchair that lets you go out and explore your community.



- **To learn new life skills**

Like cooking your favourite meals, using buses or trains or learning to drive.



- **To feel strong and healthy**

Join a fun exercise class, go swimming, try yoga, or talk to someone who can help you feel better.



- **To do things you love**

Go on holiday, try painting, dancing, or growing your own flowers and vegetables. Any creative things that help you relax and feel proud.



- **To meet people and make friends**

Take part in community projects where you can join in, feel included, and make new friends so you don't feel alone.



- **To build your confidence**

Go to workshops or courses where you can speak up, try new things, and feel proud of who you are.



- **To find work or volunteer**

Get support to find a job you enjoy or volunteer in your community — a great way to learn, grow, and feel proud of what you do.



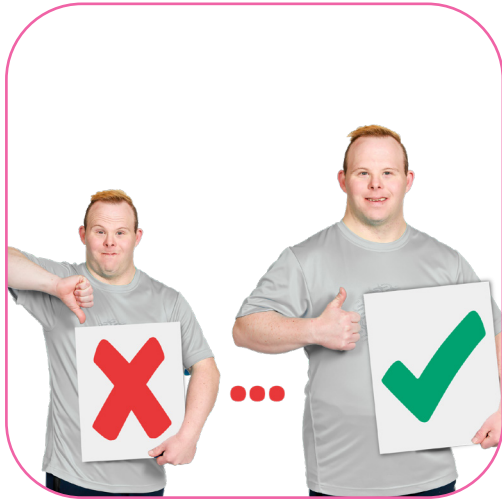
What am I not allowed to apply for?

You cannot apply for funding for:

- Bills
- Illegal items
- Alcohol
- Anything that may cause harm to yourself or others



You must be supported by United Response to make an application.



What makes a good application?

The best applications:

- Are projects that make a big difference to you.



- Have benefits that will last a long time, even after the money is gone.



- Are clear about what you want.



- Explain how it will help you be happier, healthier, or more independent.



- Aimed at people who need more help or support.



Do I need to include the cost of the item in my application form?

Yes. We need to know how much your idea will cost. You can upload images or list the items.



Maxine

Who can I contact for further support?

You can get in touch with Carly or Maxine at fundraising@unitedresponse.org.uk or 07435 994 562.

