

General Hardship Fund

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Are you worried about paying your bills and putting food on the table?

If you are finding it difficult to make ends meet at the moment, then you could be eligible for a grant from the NewstrAid General Hardship Fund.

The fund offers **grants of up to £250 per household** to help bridge the gap between income and costs for anyone with a newstrade connection.

If you are facing hardship but don't meet the eligibility criteria, please don't hesitate to contact us for guidance and advice regarding other sources of support that may be available to you.

*For details of our other funding schemes and services visit www.newstraid.org.uk





Eligibility:

All applicants must satisfy the following criteria:

- 1. Live in the UK
- 2. Work or have worked directly in newspaper or magazine retail, wholesale or distribution for a minimum of 2 years
- 3. Have less than £6,000 in household savings
- 4. Be in receipt of one of the following state benefits:
 - Universal Credit
 - Employment & Support Allowance
 - · Income-based lobseeker's Allowance
 - Income Related Employment Support Allowance
 - Housing Benefit
 - · Pension Credit

Just one application can be made per Household per year up to a maximum of £250. Additional funding may be available from other schemes where appropriate*. Each application will be assessed individually, and awards made at the discretion of the Welfare Committee. Please note, applicants will be asked to complete an application form and submit evidence to support their application such as bank statements and letters confirming state benefits awarded.

For more information call us FREE on 0800 917 8616 or email: mail@newstraid.org.uk