

Westminster Charities

Westminster Amalgamated Charities	Fund essential household items. Max £500.
Strand Parishes Trust	Fund individuals for household essentials but also fund young individuals for education. Max £500
Hyde Park Place Estates	Don't have a website but do fund individuals.
Westminster Rent Support Fund Westminster City Council	Support towards rent arrears for Westminster Residents.

Furniture

Freecycle	Free furniture you can take from neighbours in your local area.
British Heart Foundation Furniture	A charity shop that sells furniture. See website for various locations.
Furniture Reuse	Social Enterprise in Stratford involved in reusing old furniture, (get further discounts if you're on benefits).
Emmaus	Another similar organisation in Poplar selling affordable tables, wardrobes and general household furniture.
Facebook Marketplace / Gumtree / Vinted	See who sells/ is giving away household goods in your local area.

NATIONAL - UK

Buttle UK	- Grants for children/young people experiencing crisis that has had a significant & enduring impact on their social/emotional wellbeing & educational engagement. - Up to £2,500 - Via referral agency.
COSARA Charitable Foundation	- Hardship grant for Muslims. - Up to £2,000 but generally £500. - Via referral agency – referral partner must make payments then will be reimbursed by COSARA when providing receipt.
Family Action	- Welfare grants for pensioners, Educational grants, and 'Open Door' grants for families in crisis. - Via suitable referring agency.
Family Fund	- Disabled/seriously ill children/young people, parents in receipt of benefits, must live in UK over 6 months. - Individuals can apply.

Friends of the Elderly	• Hardship grants to Over 65 • Includes digital connection & funeral costs • Via referral agency
Glasspool Charity Trust	• Hardship grants – all ages, Includes flooring • Limited funds • Provides directory of charitable organisations.
Independence at Home	• Children and adults with physical/learning disability/long-term illness • White goods, clothing, flooring. • Via referral agency
Percy Bilton Charity	• Hardship grants • Long-term disability/illness & Over 65s • Via referral agency

SPECIALIST

Blind Aid	For visually impaired Londoners on low incomes for essential items to help maintain vital independence
Italian Medical Charity	Financial help for Italians & those of Italian descent with medical problems & those caring for them.
Kidney Care	Help with cost of living, household essentials, travel costs, further education & training
Little Village (baby essentials)	Like a food bank but for clothes, toys & equipment for babies & children up to the age of 5
London Irish Centre	Hardship grants to assist Irish people living in London with clothing/footwear, household equipment, winter heating, funeral travel expenses, new homes, convalescence & special educational items
National Zakat Foundation	Financial aid for Muslims with cost of living & essential household items
Cosaraf	Financial help for Muslims for household items, cost of living, work related issues, rent, immigration costs. Usually give £500, but in exceptional circumstances can give £2,000.
ScotsCare	Grants, training, housing & social events for Scots & children of Scottish people.
Skinner's Benevolent Trust	Crisis grants for individuals/families to purchase essential household items, includes Camden & City of London
Supporting Children with Diabetes	Applications from NHS staff only for families of children with Type 1 Diabetes (up to 19 yrs old) to buy diabetes related items
The Matthew Trust	Grants for those who have severe mental illness i.e. bi-polar, depression and schizophrenia, and victims of domestic violence. Must be via referral agency.
League of Helping Hand (LHH)	Those on income/benefits, physical or diagnosed mental health condition, learning disability, or be a carer for an adult or child with a disability. Referral agency.

Talisman Charity	Grants for education, health, housing, disablement or disability- (referral).
Society for the Relief of Distress	For relief of poverty, sickness and distress. Can apply through a church, GP, social services, support services - supporting London boroughs.

OCCUPATIONAL

Drinks Trust	Vocational, practical, emotional & financial support for those currently working, or have worked, in the UK drinks industry.
Education Support	Financial grants for present teachers, teaching assistants, supply & support staff, lecturers of over 2yrs.
Grocery Aid	Emotional, practical & financial support for people who work or have worked in the Grocery industry.
Hospitality Action	Financial support/helpline for those who work or have worked within hospitality in the UK. Must be currently homeless/ looking for rehousing, been served an eviction notice, have a terminal illness.
Rainy Day Trust (building trade, DIY shops, etc)	Financial grants for workers (& partners of) in the building trade, DIY shops, potteries & glass, housewares & garden centres, apprentices & trainees
Retail Trust	Financial grants for workers in logistics, manufacturing, warehousing, wholesale, supply chain, food distribution, pharmaceuticals, medical supplies & students
Royal Theatrical Fund	Starting point for information on the many performing arts charities, front of house & backstage support
Security Professional	For workers & retirees from the Security Profession, the Blue Light Services and the Armed Forces

Other Help

Citizens Advice Bureau / Local Council	For general advice and help.
Lettings Network	Directory of properties that accept housing benefit. Can connect directly with landlords.
Lightning Reach	Free for individuals to use. Put personal information of the individual in need and it will show a list of grant giving organisations.
Turn2us	Shows a directory of charities awarding grants.

