



Press Release

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Grants for organisations that can help households avoid financial crisis

Organisations that can help people in Fenland build financial resilience and avoid hitting financial crisis can access funding of up to £50,000 to boost their work.

The support is part of a package being put in place to reduce current and future financial hardship.

Established organisations that can deliver quick outcomes showing the value of their work to help people in Fenland are invited to bid for grants of £2,500 to £50,000. Around £130,000 will be awarded.

The funding will support services that help individuals and families build the knowledge, skills, resources and support networks needed to withstand and recover from financial shocks, such as unexpected bills, loss of income or rising living costs.

The grants are being delivered by Fenland District Council, supported by Cambridgeshire County Council, with funding from the UK Government's Crisis and Resilience Fund via the Department for Work and Pensions.

The Crisis and Resilience Fund is also making help available direct to individuals in Fenland facing immediate financial crisis through schemes being headed by Cambridgeshire County Council.

Cllr Susan Wallwork, Fenland District Council's portfolio holder for communities, said: "This funding is intended to do good immediately and the timescales for delivering outcomes are necessarily short.

"We're looking for established organisations that can take this money and quickly deliver work that can help residents move beyond immediate hardship and build long-term financial resilience.

"The money can support any related cost in delivering this work and isn't limited only to longer term capital investment. If that means a project hinges on being able to pay an existing part-time team member to do an extra day a week, for example, that can be funded so long as the benefit to Fenland people is demonstrable."

Established voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations can apply for the funding now. They must be able to invest the money and deliver outcomes by March next year (2027). Future funding may be available dependent on success and further Government support.

Details of how to apply and who can apply are available on Fenland District Council's website: www.fenland.gov.uk/article/18969/Crisis-Resilience-Fund

If you're based in Fenland and facing immediate financial crisis, especially if it could impact on being able to cover the costs of staying in your home, you're encouraged to contact Fenland District Council in the first instance, see: www.fenland.gov.uk/contactus

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