

Educational Bursaries Scheme Information

Our Policy

This scheme is intended to provide financial assistance to those eligible, whose lives have been adversely affected as a direct result of terrorist violence and may benefit from supported access to education.

Eligibility

The aim of the Fund is to support the following eligible clients in the pursuit of their education:

- Police officers injured as the direct result of terrorist attacks
- Widows of police officers murdered in terrorist attacks
- Children of eligible police officers and widows/widowers

The Fund considers dependent children to be those individuals under the age of 18 years, or individuals over 18 who are in full time education up to primary degree level.

Education, Courses and Training Eligible for Support

The Fund will consider providing support to:

- o the parents or guardians of eligible children who are attending full time education and are between the ages of 5-18, regardless of the educational establishment attended or the educational course/s being pursued
- Eligible students who are undertaking an undergraduate course at a higher learning institution that is officially recognised in the UK. The Board will also consider other institutions on a case by case basis
- Eligible students who are undertaking a course at colleges of further education and technical colleges within the UK up to primary degree level

The Fund **WILL NOT** consider providing financial support towards the attainment of higher degrees e.g. Post Graduate Diplomas, Masters programmes or PhDs, or for the attainment of professional qualification (e.g. LPC), for any applicant other than an eligible police officer or police widow/widower (where other support is absent). In such circumstances educational support will not be provided beyond a total period of 6 years (including support given for a primary degree).

The Level of Support Available

Please refer to our website or covering letter for current grant limits

Application

Applicants on behalf of children below 16 years of age attending school are not required to provide proof of school attendance. They are not required to provide any financial information such as detailing receipts of grants or bursaries.

The only assessment criteria which will be used will be client eligibility.

Eligibility of applicants is the key assessment criteria in all cases. Thereafter the requirement is to provide supporting information to show that the applicant is attending a particular college or university. Applicants living away from home must provide evidence to show that they are required to pay for their accommodation.

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