

Carers Support Fund Grants

Carers Trust Crossroads Sir Gâr is running a winter emergency grants scheme for unpaid carers affected by the Coronavirus crisis.

Carers can now apply for a grant of up to £300 to address immediate winter pressures and emergency needs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Carers Support Fund has been provided by Welsh Government via Carers Trust Wales to be administered by Carers Trust Crossroads Sir Gâr.

Please note: The Carers Support Fund is specifically for Unpaid Carers. Awards will be made based on the applicants level of need. It is likely a proportion of applications will be unsuccessful. The Carers Emergency Grants scheme opened on November 9th and the next round of applications will open on January 4th 2021. The closing date for this grant is 31st March 2021 (due to budget limitations we reserve the right to close the fund before this date).

A carer is anyone who cares (unpaid) for a friend or family member who due to illness, disability, a mental health problem, or an addiction, cannot cope without their support.

Examples of eligible items and activities include, but are not limited to:

- Purchase of household items like a washing machine, bed, or fridge
- Food vouchers of £100 each
- Payments of £100 towards fuel bills
- Purchase of technology such as a laptop, mobile phones, tablets, or data

What does the Carers Support Fund NOT cover?

- The provision of cash (or pre-paid card equivalents) to carers
- Costs associated with credit card bills or debt repayments

How do I apply?

- Please contact the **Carers Information Service** for your local authority area.

For Carmarthenshire - telephone: 0300 0200 002

For Pembrokeshire - telephone : 01437611002

- Applications can also be made through other professionals who you may already receiving support from e.g. Hafal, Mencap, Social Services