

Listed below are the different types of grants and awards available through Hampshire East County. If you wish to apply for a grant/award, please complete the Grants & Awards Application Form.

NOTE: For younger members their leader / International Advisor will need to download a copy and either forward it via email to the applicant or print a copy for the applicant to complete.

International Travel Fund

This fund is to help support adult leaders and young members who are taking part in an international event in the UK or abroad.

The criteria as follows:

- The applicant is a young member or adult leader in Girlguiding Hampshire East
- The applicant has been chosen to attend the event by a selection process at Region or National level
- Applications must be made in writing to the County Commissioner or Chair of Finance Committee (emails are acceptable), and must contain name, address, age if under 18, unit details, details of the event and costs
- Applications must be made not less than 3 months before the event
- The maximum grant will be 10% of the cost of the event including travel, up to a maximum of £200
- If for any reason the applicant does not attend the event, the grant will be repayable
- After the event, the applicant must provide the County with a written report on the event within 3 months of the event taking place
- Leaders may be awarded a grant of £150 on **completion** of the International module of the Going Away With scheme

International trips and events organised by the County are not eligible for grants. Unit/District/Division International trips and events are not eligible for County grant but may be eligible for a grant from Girlguiding South West England.

Disabled Members Fund

This is a fund to enable young disabled members between 5 and 26 years to participate in residential events, and other Guiding events, where additional adult help is required or extra costs incurred by reason of the young member's disability, including but not exclusively the event fees and travel costs of additional adults or helpers.

The criteria as follows:

- The application must be made in writing to the County Commissioner or the Chair of Finance Committee at least 3 months before the event
- The application must be made by the Unit Leader or the local Commissioner, and must include name and age of the young member, the unit details, the event details and costs, and information about the additional costs being incurred
- The grant will be made to the Unit to which the young member belongs

Miscellaneous Fund

This is a fund to be used in exceptional circumstances to support members, including but not exclusively to help in cases of hardship. This is not for unit payments such as termly/annual subscriptions, this is for one-off type expenses such as help towards costs to attend an event, trip or camp.

The criteria as follows:

- Applications must be made direct to the County Commissioner or Chair of Finance Committee, in writing (emails are acceptable) giving full details of the circumstances, the groups or individuals concerned, and the unit[s] concerned
- Applications must be made by the Unit Leader or the local Commissioner

Louise James Bursary Fund

This fund represent monies received specifically for Guides and Rangers of Girlguiding Hampshire East, ages 14 to 18 years, to enable them to participate in international travel or international events, abroad or in the UK. The event must be organised as part of the Guiding Programme, at regional or national level. Participants will have attended a County INTOPs day and then selected to attend the Region INTOPs weekend.

Criteria as follows:

- The applicant must be a Guide or Ranger between the ages of 14 and 18 years on the date of the start of the trip/event
- The applicant has been selected at region or national level to attend an international trip/event
- The applicant must submit a report with their application giving details of at least two fundraising events they have organised prior to the grant being made
- The grant will be 10% of the total cost of the trip/event including travel, up to a maximum of £200
- Applications must be in writing from the Guide or Ranger to the County Commissioner or Chair of Finance Committee, to include name, address, age, unit details, details of the trip/event and costs, and details of fundraising events organised
- If for any reason the applicant does not attend the event, the grant will be repayable
- On return from the event, the applicant must provide a copy of a report on the trip/event to the County Commissioner and/or Chair of Finance within 3 months of the trip/event taking place
- County International trips can also apply for funding for neckerchiefs

Training Grants

Leaders may be eligible for a grant if attending a training. Only trainings where the applicant will be gaining a recognised qualification or gain personal development in their role will be considered. It is probable that County will have asked the applicant to attend the specialist training.

Criteria as follows:

- The applicant must be a leader with Girlguiding Hampshire East
- Applications must be made in writing to the County Commissioner or Chair of Finance giving full details of the training course and costs including travel
- The grant will be 33% of cost plus 33% of travel expenses
- The applicant must be willing to use their new skills within the County
- If for any reason the applicant does not attend the training, the grant will be repayable

Queens Guide Grant

This grant is for young members aged 16 to 25 years who have completed the Outdoor Challenge, Element 2 of the Queens Guide Award.

Criteria as follows:

- Applications must be made in writing to the County Commissioner or Chair of Finance Committee (emails are acceptable), and must contain name, address, age if under 18, unit details, details of the Outdoor Challenge event and costs together with copies of receipts
- The grant will be 50% of total cost up to a maximum of £150

Other Grants/Awards

There are other grants and awards available for individuals/groups/units, as follows:

South West Region - <https://girlguidingsouthwest.org.uk/useful-downloads.html#grants>

Girlguiding: <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/running-your-unit/finance-insurance-and-property/grants-and-funding/>

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