

Signposting

Grants - General			
British citizens	Lawrence Atwell	Grants of £200 - £1,500 for British citizens aged 16 - 26 studying for qualifications essential for a career or in need of tools to start. Students of GCSEs, A levels, GNVQs or PhDs will not be considered. Can be dependant on parental income. If you wish to make an application for the academic year 2009-2010 contact after 1 May 2009.	020 7213 0561 www.skinnershall.co.uk/charities/lawrence-atwell-charity.htm
Vocational Courses /Adults	Thomas Wall	Grants of up to £1000 for adults who wish to pursue vocational courses or courses concerned with social welfare. Not for degree students and who qualify for a student loan; for travel, study or work-experience abroad, for postgraduate study or research, or if other sources of funding are available.	www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk Email: information@thomaswalltrust.org.uk
Grants - Women			
Under 22	The Broadlands Home Trust	Grants for girls under 22 in the UK. Grants are usually for educational purposes but also help young women starting out on their careers.	01983 525630
Clothes	Dress 4 success London	Provides clothing for interviews and interview preparation support and advice - needs to be referred from PT.	020 7288 1770 www.dressforsuccess.org/london
Grants - Disabilities			
Education/training	Snowdon Award	Provide bursaries to physically disabled young people for further, higher education or training. Grants up to £2500, generally for 17 - 25 year olds but mature students are considered if funds allow.	01403 211 252 www.snowdonawardscheme.org.uk
Grants - Lone parents and cared for young people			
Under 21's	The Buttle Trust	Grants of £240 - £400 available to lone parents under 21 years old, specifically for bedding, clothing, toys and children's other needs. Student and Trainee scheme for further education and 1 st degree level for 16+ years old.	0207 828 7311 info@buttletrust.org
Disadvanta	Family	Works with over families by providing practical, emotional	www.family-

Disadvantaged and socially isolated families	Family Action	Works with over families by providing practical, emotional and financial support through over 100 services based in communities across England. Also awards educational grants and information service. Tackles some of the most complex and difficult issues facing families today - including domestic abuse, mental health problems, learning disabilities and severe financial hardship.	www.family-action.org.uk
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Grants - Homeless

Over 18's Self employment	Crisis	The Changing Lives Awards are grants of up to £2500 for over 18s, single homeless people, or for those who have experienced homelessness in the past five years. Examples incl course fees or tools for self employment. Next Application rounds 26 January - 13 March 2009 and 25 May - 3	0844 251 0111, or changing.lives@crisis.org.uk
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Entitlements

Over 19's	ALG	Adult Learning Grant -Must be studying more than 12hours per week, must be first full level 2 or 3 qualification. Not eligible if claiming 'out of work benefits' ie JSA or Income support	0800 121 8989 www.direct.gov.uk/EMA
16,17 + 18	EMA	Education Maintenance Allowance - Up to £30 per week to help with learning costs, incl. travel, books etc. Amount is calculated by household income. For young people who have left or are at risk of leaving full time education or on E2E.	0800 121 8989 www.direct.gov.uk/EMA

Benefits

	Benefit Enquiry Line	Information and advice for people with disabilities and their carers about social security benefits and how to claim them	0800 882 200
	CAB	Citizens Advice Bureau information and advice on benefits	www.adviceguide.org.uk/index/life/
	Benefit Entitlement	This website calculates what benefits an individual is entitled to.	http://www.entitledto.com/default.aspx

Loans

Over 18's	Career Development	Loans of £300 - £8,000 available to individuals who are taking part in part/full time vocational study towards employment. Applicants must be over 18 years old. The course must be up to 1 or 2 years in length. While studying	0800 585 505 www.lifelonglearning.co.uk/cdl
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Musical Instrument	The Alper Charitable Trust	Interest-free loans up to £500 to buy a musical instrument. Preference for applicants from East Anglia. Applications should be by letter; person in need must make the application. SAE required.	01223 894056
Women	Society for Promoting the Training of Women	Interest free loans of around £1000 for women training for professional, commercial or technical work. Loans are repaid by monthly instalment at a level decided by the Committee.	01778 560978