

COVID WINTER GRANT SCHEME

East Riding of Yorkshire Council has now re-opened the Covid Winter Grant Scheme for NEW applicants. The scheme supports those most in need with the cost of food, energy (heating, cooking, lighting), water bills (including sewerage) and other essentials.

Funding is prioritised as follows:

- To support households with children, where the applicant meets the criteria to entitle a child to free school meals
- To support households who have claimed universal credit since 23 March and whose income is less than £16,000 annually
- To support individuals who have a social care package and have seen an increase in their household food and fuel since 23 March 2020
- To support individuals where their annual income is less than £13,600 annually

Where an applicant is successful, they will receive:

- £45.00 for food per child
- £30.00 per household for utilities
- Where an application is submitted for essential items, this will be determined on a case by case basis. The Council will not award grants where funds are no longer available to do so.

For more information, criteria of the grants and how to apply, go to <https://covid19.eastriding.gov.uk/support/>. This phase of applications closes on 31st January 2021.

Where residents may not be eligible for this grant, the Council has a benefit eligibility checker. This can be used to see if parents are entitled to other forms of financial support <http://www.budget.entitledto.co.uk/eastriding/budgets>

The Council also have an emergency assistance scheme available to residents who have had an interruption to their income and where they require support to remain in the Community. For more information, criteria of the grants and how to apply, go to <https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/living/emergency-assistance/>