E F BULMER BENEVOLENT FUND

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GUIDELINES FOR SMALL GRANT APPLICATIONS (UP TO £500)

Thank you for your enquiry about small grants from the E F Bulmer Benevolent Fund. The Fund can make small (under £500) one-off grants for **individuals resident in Herefordshire** for expenditure on particular essential/urgent items. Please fill in the form in typescript and **return it as a Word document by Email** to <u>efbulmer@gmail.com</u>

The following will help you with your application:

- 1. The Fund's primary purpose is to support former employees (or their close family members) of H P Bulmer, so let us know if this applies to your client and it will be subject to a different process.
- 2. The Fund has limited resources, so we would not expect to receive many applications from the same organisation. Please be selective and only apply for urgent/essential items. Similarly, we would be most unlikely to support the same beneficiary twice.
- 3. Specify the name, address, age etc of the beneficiary (which will be treated in confidence), and the financial and social circumstances leading to the requirement for a grant (ie why the beneficiary or family cannot pay).
- 4. State the specific item(s) required (note that carpets, curtains etc are not funded) and the exact cost. Wherever possible, refurbished and/or used furniture and white goods should be sourced from charity or second-hand shops to keep costs down.
- 5. Say where else you are seeking funding, or have a promise of funding, for this client.
- Payment will be made electronically, so please ensure you fill in all the banking details requested on the form. Payment will be made to the charity/public sector organisation requesting the grant or to the supplier of the goods. Payment will not be made to the individual beneficiary direct.
- 7. Do not send supporting papers (estimates, references, care reports etc) unless specifically requested by us, but by all means say if these are available if required.
- 8. A decision is normally made within a week and payment will follow a few days later unless essential personnel are away.
- 9. The Administrator is happy to discuss cases by E-mail or on the telephone.