



THE VICKY SERGIDES FOUNDATION

GRANTS POLICY ON DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

CHARITY NUMBER: 1177611

1. The impact of a cancer on families can be devastating in so many ways. For some, there can be an immediate and sudden change to a family's ability to cope with the demands necessities of life.
2. The charity is committed to supporting vulnerable families and the families of those who have received a cancer diagnosis.
3. For this reason, we can make financial contributions/awards to those who apply for funding by completing an application form found on our website and who satisfy the relevant criteria. We may also make financial awards to those who have been identified to us as being in a position where, following a cancer diagnosis, are struggling to meet the basic necessities and financial demands of daily life.

Financial assistance to Addenbrookes Hospital:

4. TVSF is committed to supporting the incredible research undertaken in fighting stomach cancer. It will continue to support the work of Addenbrookes Hospital and its specialist stomach cancer unit, which works on finding cures and treatments for this type of cancer.
5. Addenbrookes is part of the Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Financial assistance to individuals:

6. Financial assistance awards to individuals will be up to £1000.



7. An applicant can apply for financial assistance once per year, unless exceptional circumstances apply.
8. The charity aims to distribute up to 40% of its charitable income.

Criteria:

9. The applicant must be encountering financial hardship:
 - a. Arising following a cancer diagnosis - either themselves or a direct member of their family in their household.
 - b. A direct member of their family and household is defined as a parent, a dependent child or dependent sibling.
10. Financial need can include assistance with food, clothing, travel costs, utilities and mortgage payments.
11. The applicant must within the local boroughs in North London: Barnet, Enfield, Haringey. Request for support from outside these boroughs may be considered.

Exceptional Funding:

12. The charity reserves the right to make ex gratia payments towards an applicant, such as payment for a holiday or rest bite.
13. The charity reserved the right to make contributions towards Christmas gifts of vulnerable children.
14. The charity will consider working with other charities where it supports those who have a cancer diagnosis.



Decision Making:

15. The Charity envisages many applications. In order to process the applications, the Charity's Trustees delegate their decision making role the Charity's Committee members.
16. All applications will be considered on merit and in accordance with the published policy.
17. The Committee can decide to distribute up to £5,000 per annum.
18. The Trustees will retain the right to veto any decision where it considers that a conflict has arisen or the policy has not been applied.
19. Where there is a conflict of interest, that Committee member or Trustee will be excluded from the decision making process.

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