



# GROW A SKILL, TALENT OR DREAM!



Talent Bond Information pack



**Our Talent Bond fund awards young people with direct investment that grows a talent, builds a skills or develops a dream.**

Young people can apply for up to £300 to help them to grow into a fulfilling, sustainable, independent future.

This is a chance for young people to be creative with their ideas, as well as brave, thoughtful and organised as they start up the project, run with it and make it happen.

All applications are reviewed by a panel of young people who have experience of living in Foyer. This panel works together to decide how the money should be allocated – a process that puts real financial decision making power into young people's hands.

## **Eligibility**

We encourage applications from young people who are:

- Aged between 16-25 years old
- Currently living in one of our member services
- Seeking to grow a skill, talent or dream

## **To be considered**

- The idea must come from a young person or group of young people.
- The idea must showcase or develop a talent or skill that will help the young person (or young people) to build for the future.

Examples of what the Talent Bond fund can cover:

- Buying clothing and/or equipment for work or sports activity.
- Purchasing books for learning or pleasure.
- Funding for a keyboard to enable young person to learn how to play.
- Funding to purchase a CSCS card to fast track a career.
- Funds to buy an online course.



## **How to apply**

Young people can apply as individuals, pairs, or groups, as long as everyone is connected to the service.

They can apply by completing the online form or they can submit a video application by simply attaching it to the online form.

The application form will ask for:

- Their name(s)
- Their contact details (email and mobile number)
- Which service they are connected with
- Staff member's name & contact details (who will support with payment of funds)
- What skill or talent will the money help them develop?
- What do they want to do with this money and why?
- What impact the money will have on their future?
- A brief breakdown of how they plan to spend the money

If you require a printable version of the application, please email [isabella@foyer.net](mailto:isabella@foyer.net).

# Talent Bond Process





## **Sharing your success stories**

We love to share inspiring stories so we kindly ask that each young person awarded a Talent Bond shares their feedback with us.

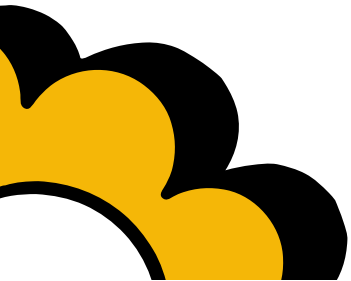
We will send a short email with some questions to help them share their thoughts. This is not a requirement of the grant and is entirely optional.

We won't ever share identifying information about a person without their express consent and approval.

If you have any further questions or would like an informal chat about the fund you can contact:

Isabella@foyer.net

Mobile: 07512 315160



## FAQ'S



### **When will I hear if I have been successful?**

Applications close on 7th November, we will let young people know if they have been successful via email within 7 days.

### **How will funds be paid?**

All applications will be reviewed by the panel within 7 days of closing date. Once we have received a signed copy of the T&C's, a card will be requested within 3 working days. Funds will be paid via a pre-paid card, sent directly to the the service. The card will be in the staff members name and they will need to support with any purchases.

### **Emergency purchases**

Please note that the pre-paid cards can take up to two weeks to arrive. We therefore cannot fund immediate or emergency purchases.

### **What If I submit my application late?**

Applications close 11am 7th November. Applications submitted after this time will unfortunately not be considered.

