

# Fund Criteria:

# Monmouthshire Further Education Trust Fund

The Monmouthshire Further Education Trust Fund provides financial support to individuals from the Gwent area (specifically the County of Monmouthshire as it existed in 1956) who are pursuing further/higher education or training.

#### Grants available

Applicants can apply for grants of up to £500 per year.

### Who can apply?

- Applicants must reside in the County of Monmouthshire as it was in 1956 i.e. the Local Authorities which became Gwent: Torfaen, Blaenau Gwent, Newport and Monmouthshire (in part or whole).
- Applicants must also have attended a Secondary School in Gwent for not less than 2 years.
- Applicants must be aged 25 or under.
- The application must show a clear need for financial support, financial hardship or additional support needs

#### What can be funded?

- Costs associated with entering into further/higher education including equipment, materials, overseas travel, and course/exam fees.
- Costs associated with preparing to enter a trade or profession including equipment, materials and training.

Successful applicants will be paid upon proof of enrolment on your stated course.

Preference will be given to applicants who can demonstrate exactly how they will meet the Fund's objectives and priorities, and who have not previously received support from this Fund.

**Please note:** Grants will only be awarded for costs that are to be incurred after an application has been submitted. Awards cannot be made retrospectively i.e. for activities that have already taken place.

## How toapply?

Applicants must complete an online application form which can be accessed via our website.

#### Please note:

- Grants will not be awarded retrospectively i.e. for costs incurred before receipt of our grant offer letter, and the signed terms and conditions have been returned.
- Grants are not available towards general fundraising or to support fundraising for other groups and charities.
- Grants must be fully spent within one year of receipt of our offer letter.