

Student Grant

Information and Guidelines

Aims and Objectives of the Student/Training Grant	<p>The aim of the Student Grant is to assist residents of Stratherrick and Foyers with the costs of study at Further or Higher Education levels. Student grants are also available to assist with lifelong learning and employability. Students apply for a maximum of £500.00 per year of study at colleges and universities. If, for example, you are accepted for a three-year course of study, you can apply each year. You will need to make a fresh application to Stratherrick and Foyers Community Trust (SFCT) each year and submit a Completion Report for the year of study just passed. Grants can be paid for shorter courses at training establishments based on the following:</p> <p>£100 for courses up to 1 month or 20 hours £250 for courses from 1 - 3 months or up to 40 hours £400 for courses 3 - 6 months or up to 80 hours £500 for courses 6 months - 1 year or up to 100 hours</p>
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your main residence must be within the Stratherrick and Foyers Community Council (SFCC) area. • You must be attending, or accepted to attend, a Further Education, Higher Education or Training establishment (usually a College or University). • If you already have an Unconditional Acceptance, please enclose a copy of this offer and apply now. Your grant application will be considered and, if approved, will be offered to you and then paid. • If you have a Conditional Acceptance, please enclose a copy of this offer. Your grant application will be considered and, if approved, may be offered to you once you can show you have met the conditions of entry to your course. • If you have previously had a Student Grant from SFCT, you must submit a Grant Completion Report before a further grant can be considered. Completion forms are found on the SFCT website. • You can apply for one Student Grant per academic year (August to June) to the maximum value of £500.00. • No more than six applications for a Student Grant can be made by one individual. • If you are undertaking an online or distance learning course, you may be asked to supply additional information.
What SFCT will not fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repeated periods of study/training.

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When can an application be made?	<p>Applications can be submitted on any date throughout the year. Once received they are held until the next grant application deadline.</p> <p>There are four advertised grant deadlines each year and these are published on the SFCT website.</p> <p>Incomplete forms or applications requiring further information will be returned to you requesting more detail.</p>
Grant Process	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please complete and submit the application form with a copy of your course acceptance/offer letter/enrolment into the next year, and confirmation of your residential status within the SFCC area. You will receive a confirmation of receipt from the SFCT Administration and HR Officer. 2. Your application will be processed and then assessed by SFCT Staff members and considered by Directors at a SFCT Board Meeting. 3. The SFCT Administration and HR Officer will inform you of the decision made by the Board soon after the meeting. Your grant may be approved, declined or a request for additional information made. Grants are normally paid via BACS.
Stratherrick & Foyers Community Trust Funding	<p>SFCT uses funds it receives from renewable energy companies to support a range of community and individual grant schemes. This grant scheme is supported by funds from the community benefit money received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSE and Greencoat UK Stronelairg windfarm • SSE Dunmaglass windfarm • SSE Glendoe Hydroelectric scheme • Greencoat UK Wind Corriegarth windfarm • Green Highland Allt Luaidhe (228) Limited Knockie Hydroelectric scheme • Easter Aberchalder Partnerships wind turbine.
Publicity and general Data Protection regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember that if you are awarded a grant from SFCT, your name and the amount you received will be made available on the SFCT website. • This information is made public to demonstrate how funds are being used and to encourage other applicants to use the grant scheme. • Please check the SFCT Privacy Policy on the SFCT website at www.stratherrickcommunity.org.uk
Further help	<p>If you need help to fill out the application form, please contact:</p> <p>SFCT Administration and HR Officer: admin@sfctrust.org.uk</p> <p>or</p>

