

Big Lincolnshire Welcome Fund Guidelines



Question	Answer
What is the funding for?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide essential items, not already covered by National or Local Government, • To give a displaced person from Ukraine the opportunity to choose for themselves what item(s) up to the value of £100 for an individual or £250 for a family unit, they need to make their lives better here in Greater Lincolnshire. • Note this is for item(s) and no cash payment will be made • Lincolnshire Community Foundation (LCF) will be purchasing the item on behalf of the applicant. <p>Please ensure to provide as much detail about your request as possible, or provide us with an online shopping link (eg Amazon) in your application.</p>
Are there any restrictions	<p>We cannot fund inappropriate items such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol • Drugs • Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes (including vapes and e-cigarettes) • Explicit material • Animal welfare including vets, purchase, or quarantine • Weapons • Political activities • Contributions to appeals • Debt or finance <p>We cannot fund any retrospective purchases, please do not buy the item prior to applying.</p>
Who qualifies for funding?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Displaced person/family from Ukraine • Must be living in Greater Lincolnshire • One application for either <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £100 for an individual - up to £250 for a family unit • Where the beneficiary will be under the age of 18, the form must be completed by an adult on their behalf.
How much is the funding for?	Maximum of £100 for an individual or £250 for a family unit.
Is there a closing date?	<p>This is a rolling programme, so there is no closing date.</p> <p>Funding is limited and comes directly from donations to the Ukraine Refugee Appeal, once available monies have been allocated it will be closed for applications. It is essential partners refer those will the greatest wellbeing need.</p>

	LCF will continue to promote the appeal and applicants will be notified if they have applied after the limit has been exceeded and we will request to hold the details should another amount be released.
When will the item be received?	Following the verification of identity, items will be purchased by an LCF team member on a weekly basis, delivery times may vary dependant on product and supplier.
How can funds be applied for?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The application is to be made via Google Forms using this link by a referral partner • A hard copy of the application can be issued by request, this should be returned to info@lincolnshirecf.co.uk. (the form is not for wider publication or sharing onwards) • Call the LCF Office on 01529 305825 where a team member will take the application over the telephone. <p>Whilst it is preferred applicants contact a referral partner to ensure those with the greatest need are being supported (e.g. living in a bridging hotel, or not entitled to the welcome payment of £200), applications are open to all Ukrainian refugees, and they can apply directly to Lincolnshire Community Foundation by calling 01529 305825.</p>
Who will applicant details be shared with?	LCF and all referral partners are to obtain consent from the applicant for information to be shared with one another for verification of the application. This information is not to be shared with any additional persons without consent by the applicant.
What happens after the item has been received?	<p>Applicants may receive a courtesy call/email from an LCF team member to ensure it has been received.</p> <p>It will be requested of the applicant share photos, to underline impact this funding has had. By doing this, it could help us to raise further funds to help more people.</p>
Who are the Referral Partners?	<p>LCF work with many statutory and voluntary organisations, those who can make referrals to this scheme are Lincolnshire County Council, North Lincolnshire Council, North East Lincolnshire Council, Boston Borough Council, East Lindsey District Council, Lincoln City Council, North Kesteven District Council, South Holland District Council, South Kesteven District Council, West Lindsey District Council, Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB), Department for Work and Pensions (DWP), Job Centre Plus, Lincolnshire Community Voluntary Services (LCVS), Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue, Lincolnshire Voluntary Engagement Team (LVET), Voluntary Centre Services (VCS), Wellbeing Lincs.</p> <p>Other organisations not listed above who can identify a need for the funding of an individual, they should contact LCF in the first instance before making the referral.</p>

If you have any additional queries about these guidelines. Please contact Claire Edwards on 01529 305825 or email claire@lincolnshirecf.co.uk