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Eligibility Criteria

In order to apply for Aspirational Awards you will need to:

- Be living in your own home
- Have undertaken units within the House Project Programme
- Be able to explain how the award will impact on your future
- Have discussed your application with a member of staff from your local House Project who is willing to support you with your application and plan if successful
- The panel will consider video or voice note applications, but these must contain the same information as the form and as much detail as possible

What can I apply for?

- The panel will consider applications that are truly aspirational, for example, those related to education, employment, or improving life prospects. Aspirational goals are ambitious and reflect something you are working towards.
- A young person may apply for an award, even if they have been granted an award previously. However, the panel may take into consideration those that have yet to receive an award first.
- **The panel will not consider applications for driving licences, driving lessons or motor vehicles.**
- For travel applications these must have **significant impact** for that young person. It has to evidence additionality rather than just a holiday. For example this could be a trip to support employment opportunities or a trip to volunteer and gain new skills.
- If applying for funding for a business and NEET, support can initially be sought from [The Princes Trust](#) outside of the NHP timeframe. You will also need to submit a business case with your application, you can find a template to use [here](#).
- Application forms should include as much information as possible including costings
- If there is insufficient information to make decisions applications will be returned and further information requested.

There is no maximum value you can apply for. In the first round we awarded over £21,000 in awards ranging from £105 to £5000



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If your award is granted, you will be expected to use it within twelve months, unless exceptional circumstances justify an extension.

Other funding routes

We are also aware of two other trusts/foundations that offer grants to care-experienced young people. They may be able to support driving lessons if certain criteria are met.

<https://www.sparkfoundation.org.uk/FAQGrants.html> - grants usually up to £700 but can go beyond.

<https://www.capstonecareleaverstrust.org/how-we-can-help/> - grants up to £3000

(If you are aware of any more please do let us know and we can share across the community)

Example Awards from previous rounds

Amount Awarded	Aspiration Awards
£400	3D printer, filament and nozzle
£820	Acting Classes and Travel
£700	vlogging camera
£1800	Tools for own business
£2,500	Studio time and music video project
£500	eyelash course & business
£3,000	Running lash training courses
£1,600	Building custom computer desktop for studies inc monitor, keyboard, mouse
£574	Start up costs for computer repair business
£4000	Travel for volunteering