

# COVID-19 Response Fund

The COVID-19 response fund reopened on Monday 16 November, offering grants of up to £500 to help members whose household incomes have been affected in any of the following ways:

- You and/or your partner are currently furloughed
- You and/or your partner are currently receiving Statutory Sick Pay and are either shielding, self-isolating or off sick due to other COVID-related reasons
- You and/or your partner have been made redundant or lost your job due to coronavirus
- You and/or your partner's employer have reduced your working hours, including loss of regular overtime (applicable also where partner is self-employed and loss of earnings can be proven)

Please note that applicants must be a UNISON member with savings of less than £2,500 and have paid at least two months' subscriptions.

**We want to make this fund go as far as possible and help as many members as we can. Therefore please only apply if you are in financial difficulty as a result of COVID-19.**

Depending on your situation, help will be awarded as follows:

- £350 living costs for applicants who are furloughed or have a salary reduction due to COVID
- £500 loss of employment grant due to redundancy
- Up to £500 housing costs grant – towards rent, mortgage, or council tax arrears that have accrued since March 2020

<https://www.unison.org.uk/get-help/services-support/there-for-you/financial-assistance/>

**COVID-19  
response fund**

**we're there for you**

there  
for you

**UNISON**  
the public service union

## Figure It Out

Pay Rise for Bin Workers	£0
Pay Rise for Social Workers	£0
Pay Rise for Repair Workers	£0

Extra Taxes on the Rich	£0
Extra Taxes from closing loopholes	£0

Extra Money for the Military	£16Billion
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## Figure Sandwell Leisure Trust Out?

**£4million**

Held by them in reserves

**£100,000**

to be saved from their proposals

**£100,000**

offered in extra support from Sandwell Council

Reason for dismissing and re-engaging all staff?

**Sandwell UNISON's  
Annual General Meeting  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**5:45pm**

Via GoTo Meetings

Invites will be posted in the new year to your home address.



*Here's to a Better 2021*