

The Devon Educational Trust

Criteria information

The Devon Educational Trust was established in November 1988. The Trustees meet three times a year, in March, July and November and deal with between 75 and 95 applications at each meeting. They normally make awards ranging from £100 to £500, although in special circumstances larger awards are sometimes made. The closing date for applications is normally four weeks before the date of the next meeting. The Trustees will not consider applications that are not fully completed.

General Information

Applications are invited from, or on behalf of, young people under the age of 25 years who have lived in Devon on a permanent basis for at least twelve months. Grants are made by way of contribution for:

- i. those who are in need of financial assistance for the payment of outfit allowance, fees or travelling or maintenance expenses for approved projects, or when preparing for or entering upon a profession, trade, occupation or service to enable them to earn a living
- ii. those who are in need of assistance with their education (including social and physical training)
- iii. assistance with the study of art, music and literature;
- iv. the relief and education of those who are emotionally disturbed, ill, neglected or otherwise in need of care or for benefit of voluntary homes or special schools
- v. assistance to any voluntary charitable organisation for the promotion of education or improvement in conditions of life

Applications will not be accepted from persons who will have reached the age of 25 years when their application is considered.

Higher Degree Courses

Assistance for those embarking on a second or higher degree (MA, MSc, MPhil etc) course is not normally given. In some cases the Trustees may make a small grant to assist with living costs or the purchase of books, equipment etc. No assistance is available for the payment of fees. In all cases applicants are asked to include proof that they have already raised the bulk of funds required when submitting their application to the Trustees.

School and/or Boarding Fees

Only in exceptional cases can the Trustees consider paying school or boarding fees. The Trustees are prepared, however, to accept applications for assistance towards the purchase of school uniforms, travel etc. providing that proof is shown that the fees/boarding fees have been raised before the application is made.