

Easy Read: Crisis and Resilience Fund

Need help with money?

The **Crisis and Resilience Fund** can help people in **Shropshire** who are struggling with essential costs. It is funded by the UK Government and runs from **April 2026 to March 2029**. The fund can help people on a low income, even if they do not receive benefits.

Who can get help?

You may be able to get help if:

- ☒ You live in Shropshire
- ☒ You are having money problems
- ☒ You need help with essential living costs
- ☒ You are on a low income

You do **not** have to receive benefits to ask for support.

Before you apply

When you contact the fund, please have:

-  Your most recent bank statements for all accounts

The council may ask you to send copies to:

- Check your identity
- Understand your financial situation
- Assess what support you need

PDF copies are preferred if possible.

If you cannot provide bank statements, tell the team. If information is not provided, your application may be closed.

More than money

The fund does not only provide payments or vouchers.

You can also get advice and support from local organisations.

You do not need to receive a crisis payment to get advice, and you do not need to be on benefits.

Places to get advice

Citizens Advice

Help with:

- Debt
- Benefits
- Money problems
- Budgeting
- Tax

 contact@cabshropshire.org.uk

 01743 280 019

Marches Energy Advice

Help with:

- Energy bills
- Energy tariffs
- Debt
- Grants
- Other financial support

 shropshire@mea.org.uk

 0800 677 1307

Age UK

Help for older people with:

- Benefits
- Pensions

- Care costs
- Wills
- Money advice

 enquiries@ageukstw.org.uk

 01743 233 123

Community support

You can also find help through:

 Community Spaces

 Shropshire Larder

 Shropshire Libraries

 Community & Family Directory

These services help people in local communities who are facing difficulties.

Remember

- The fund is for people in Shropshire who need support.
- You may be able to get help even if you do not receive benefits.
- Have your bank statements ready when you apply.
- Advice and support are available even if you do not receive a payment from the fund.

Find out more or apply

Visit the Crisis and Resilience Fund page on the Shropshire Council website:

<https://next.shropshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living-help/crisis-and-resilience-fund/>