

Discretionary Assistance Fund

The Discretionary Assistance Fund provides 2 types of grant that you do not need to pay back.

Emergency Assistance Payment (EAP)

A grant to help pay for essential costs, such as food, gas, electricity, clothing or emergency travel if you:

- are experiencing extreme financial hardship
- have lost your job
- have applied for benefits and are waiting for your first payment

You cannot use it to pay for ongoing bills that you cannot afford to pay.

Individual Assistance Payment (IAP)

A grant to help you or someone you care for live independently in their home or a property that you or they are moving into.

What you can use the grant for

Use the grant to pay for:

- a fridge, cooker or washing machine and other 'white goods'
- home furniture such as beds, sofas and chairs

Eligibility guidelines and application can be found on:

<https://gov.wales/discretionary-assistance-fund-daf/how-apply>