



Grant Making Policy

What does the Flutterby Fund do?

The Flutterby Fund is a grant making organisation, which seeks to improve the lives of children with physical and mental disabilities from low income families in the UK through the giving of grants to individuals.

What we can fund

The Flutterby Fund can provide;

- Grants to families of special needs children for private therapy provided by Sophia's House clinic.
- Grants to families of special needs children for therapy equipment.
- Grants to families of special needs children for general special needs equipment.

Types of Grant

Grants can be made for therapy costs, therapy equipment and general special needs equipment that is not available on the NHS.

Examples of special needs equipment that we may consider (this list is not exhaustive) are;

- Special Wheelchairs/Buggies
- Bikes/Trikes
- Specialist equipment for the home (e.g. hoists, ramps, seating, beds)
- Sensory equipment
- Technology which will aid education, development and communication

Who is Eligible to Apply?

Individuals with parental responsibility for a child with special needs, and meet our criteria for funding.

Size of Grant

The grant size can vary according to the applicant's needs.

How to Apply

There is a very simple application form that should be completed and returned to the Flutterby Fund at the address stated on the form. The application can be sent to you on request or downloaded.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Responsibilities of the Applicant

The applicant must provide the following when applying;

- For a therapy grant, an assessment form completed by a therapist at Sophia's House detailing the recommended therapy that the child will need
- For a therapy equipment grant, a letter from a therapist recommending the equipment and why
- For general special needs equipment, a quote for any items you are applying for

Where it is felt appropriate the Board of Trustees may seek its own independent quote.

Unless there are exceptional circumstances the Flutterby Fund will provide funding directly to the supplier of equipment/services on behalf of the applicant.

Review

The committee of Flutterby Fund will review this policy every 5 years.

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