

# Cost of Living Crisis Appeal

Soaring prices have been pushing many more people in our community into poverty and debt. Thanks to the generous response of local people, businesses and organisations, we have been able to support some of the most vulnerable residents in our borough during this extremely challenging time. The funds raised so far have helped individuals and families to buy food and pay mounting energy bills – and helped to reduce the anxiety many people are experiencing.

**£123,226**

raised by local people, businesses and partners\*

\*includes gift aid



**300**

or more local people and families will receive grants of between £150 and £600



**125**

amazing donors have contributed so far, including 44 new supporters



**11**

local partners have already been distributing emergency grants



## What the grant meant to Suzie

Suzie is a single parent who is struggling financially. She relies on foodbanks to feed her family and has mounting bills that she cannot pay. Suzie has developed a high level of anxiety from the calls and letters from utilities companies threatening further action. The grant has helped her to pay off her water debt and enabled her to buy a warm duvet, relieving some of her anxiety and helping the family to stay warm.

## What the grants have paid for

**White goods**

**Children's clothes**

**Food**

**Winter coat and shoes**

**Bed bug pest control**

**Water debt**

**A mattress**

**Energy debt**

**Essential baby items**

**Gas bills**

**Christmas presents**

**A warm duvet**

**School uniform**

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Hello, just letting you know that the grant was just paid into my account. Thank you so much, this has taken a huge weight off of my shoulders! Paying off this debt means Xmas is now possible for my kids.

Text message from Help on Your Doorstep Client

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A huge thank you to everyone who has donated so far and to our local partners supporting us to distribute grants: Age UK Islington, Help on Your Doorstep, Parent House, Manor Gardens, Islington Centre for Migrants and Refugees, Community Language Support Services, Newington Green Food Action, Islington Law Centre, St Luke's Community Centre, The Manna and Islington People's Rights.