

**Cumbria Community Foundation** has a range of grants available to fund activities that are part of a higher education course or lead to a vocational qualification. Support is available to individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds where funding is the barrier that is holding them back. Grants can go towards the purchase of books, materials, travel costs and scholarship fees.



**Cumberland Educational Foundation** supports individuals under 25 who live (or whose parents live) in the former county of Cumberland. This includes Copeland, Allerdale, Carlisle and North Eden.

- The fund supports academic study or the development of practical skills.

**Cumbria Cultural Fund** supports individuals resident in Cumbria who demonstrate the highest excellence in the arts.

- Supported activities should reflect the highest level of achievement and introduce the artist's work to new audiences.



**Cumbria Young People's Grants** aims to make a difference to the lives of disadvantaged young people in Cumbria by supporting study or vocational training.

- Supports individuals aged 14-22 living in Cumbria. Priority is given to young people from Barrow and Carlisle.
- Applicants will need to provide evidence of excellence in their chosen fields and household income is taken into account when assessing applications.

**Edmond Castle Education Fund** supports the education and training of disadvantaged young people in Cumbria.

- Priority is given to young people who are or have been looked after by Cumbria County Council.
- Applications should where possible be supported by a third party such as a youth worker, social worker or health visitor.
- Applicants must be aged under 21.

**Johnson Fund** benefits young people in Cumbria who demonstrate artistic excellence.

- Assists talented aspiring musicians and sportspeople aged under 30 to develop their full potential where cost is a barrier.
- Also supports carers of those suffering from dementia, head injuries and other similar disabilities.



**Live the Dream Fund** aims to make a difference to the lives of young people in West Cumbria by raising their aspirations which enhances their employability.

- Supports individuals living in Allerdale or Copeland aged 16-25
- Applicants will need to provide evidence of excellence in their chosen field.



**Swales Trust Fund** aims to support students being educated for the farming, forestry and horticultural industry.

- Priority will be given to students studying in Cumbria. The fund is also available to people who live in Cumbria but are studying outside the county at appropriate institutions.



## Students who have received funding



**Leah** from Ulverston was awarded £1,000 from the **Cumbria Cultural Fund** which she used to help pay her tuition fees at the London Theatre School. She said: "Without it I would not have had sufficient funds to continue in to my final year."



# Student Funding Available

**Benjamin** from Carlisle received a grant of £660 from the **Edmond Castle Educational Fund** to support his Music degree at Guildhall School of Music and Drama. Benjamin used the funds towards study materials and travel costs in London.



The application process is easy. For further information or to apply for funding visit:

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**Amy** from Wigton was awarded £500 from the **Live the Dream Fund** which she used towards a nursing

placement in Tanzania as part of her Adult Nursing degree at the University of Cumbria. Amy said: "With the help of this fund, I gained valuable experience exploring Tanzanian culture as well as working in hospitals in a third world country."

*Cumbria Community Foundation exists to tackle poverty and disadvantage and strengthen Cumbria's communities by connecting fund holders and people who give us money with inspirational, life changing projects.*



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