

Lewisham Tenants Fund

Summary of Grants for 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020

Directors have agreed £18,000 for Administration Grants and £20,000 for additional Small Grants during the year.

Administration Grants

All TRA's will receive a minimum of £300. Payable to all accredited TRA's with less than one years grant funding or £1,000 (whichever is lower) of unspent or not planned to be spent, LTF funding in their bank accounts.

Grant rates are £3.60 per tenanted properties covered by your TRA. **Closing date is 31 December 2019.** Leaseholders may make voluntary contributions of £7.80 a year to the TRA towards running costs but this is up to the TRA.

Subject to sufficient funds, TRA's with less than one years grant funding or £1,000 (whichever is lower) may be able to claim a second Administration Grant between 1 January and 1 March 2019.

Residents Engagement Panels

The cost of catering and part funding for an Independent Chair to be met from LTF grant funding.

Information & Technology Grants

Up to £500 for a computer or computer related/ telephone equipment. Paid once in any 3 year period.

Equipment Grants

Up to £500 for general equipment

Community Event Grants

Up to £1,000 per year to encourage more people to become involved. Maximum £750 per event.

Venue Hire Grants

If accredited groups have insufficient funds to hire a meeting room they can apply for a grant to meet the cost.

Kick Start Grant

£200 in total to meet the costs of venue hire and light refreshments for tenants trying to set up a TRA.

Tenants Scrutiny

£5,000 available for an independent mentor for projects carried out.

Tenant Training Grants

Up to £9,000 towards training/mentoring for TRA's including Regenta B3 tenants, TMO's and accredited groups enabling tenants to attend internal and external training courses.

Membership Subscriptions

£1,700 to cover the costs of TPAS membership for all Lewisham Council tenants. This reduces the cost of tenants attending training or conferences. Also all TRA's can join TPAS in their own right free of charge. Residents can also telephone TPAS for free advice.

Tenants Travel Grants

£250 to pay travel costs for tenants, who have insufficient TRA funding, to attend local and nationwide training sessions/conferences.

UP TO £38,000 is available to provide support and development of new and existing TRA's and one to one mentoring if required.