



Educational Fund – Information Sheet

Hope for the Young (www.hopefortheyoung.org.uk), a charitable organisation based in the UK, was established in March 2008 with the aim of relieving financial hardship of those living in the developing countries and the UK. Currently we have three projects:

- An educational hostel for up to 50 Dalit (so called untouchable) children in a rural part of India
- Education fund for young refugees & asylum seekers **in education** in the UK
- Mentoring service for young people in London

Educational fund for young people:

We aim to support young asylum seekers & refugees to complete their education e.g. by providing grants & loans, supplementary allowance or educational resources. This usually covers 16-25 year olds. Due to our limited resources, we can only offer small grants to support basic higher education up to & including first university degrees. With the recent increases in tuition fees, we are unable to meet the full cost of university fees. We are also unable to support young people who have exhausted their appeals and are unlikely to remain in the UK to complete their education.

Referral:

Requests for financial support are accepted from caring agencies on behalf of the young people. The referral form should be completed with the young person involved. We will contact the young person &/or the referrer to seek further clarification or ask for relevant documentation. The referral is then considered by the designated trustees. Generally it takes no more than two weeks for a referral to be processed. Referrals sent by post will take up to one month to process due to our administrative arrangements.

The referral form can be downloaded from Hope for the Young website. Please return the completed form by email to: (info@hopefortheyoung.org.uk).

Young people can also be referred to our mentoring programme for:

- Receiving one-to-one & peer support.
- Improving their language & scholastic skills
- Having opportunities to learn about life in the UK

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