



Dear Parent /Carer

In the current economic climate many people have lost jobs or had their working hours reduced as a result of the pandemic. Others, who may or may not already be in receipt of benefits are struggling to make ends meet with escalating food and heating costs.

There is help available to anyone who feels they are struggling. The Box Youth & Community Project has funding from Sunderland City Council that can help with costs for food, warm clothing, warm bedding, gas/electricity etc. for households located in the electoral wards of Doxford, Ryhope, Millfield, Hendon, or St Michaels.

The value of the support that can be provided is determined by the number in your household and your individual circumstances. The support is not means tested and does not affect benefit entitlements.

To access this support please ring Denise or Janet on 0191 5225031 to arrange a time that you can call in and claim the support available to you – this will only take five minutes of your time.

If you don't live in the areas mentioned above you can still access support as long as you live in Sunderland – we can give you the contact details of the organisation in your area that will help you.

Please note that this funding is only available until March.

Yours sincerely

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Denise Barna

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