

# NewstrAid

The Industry Charity



## Welcome to our industry

NewstrAid is the charity specifically for you and our industry. We provide **financial help**, **emotional support** and **practical advice** to all sectors of the newspaper and magazine supply chain, with over **60%** of our beneficiaries coming from the independent retail trade.

The charity is funded by retailers, wholesalers and publishers and has been in existence for over 180 years.

## How we could HELP you!

### FINANCIAL HELP

Including regular grants, one-off Samaritan Grants for individual items and grants for children.



### PRACTICAL ADVICE

Including state benefits advice, debt advice and support for the disabled and their carers.



### EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

Including a free 24/7 helpline and wellbeing website featuring a wealth of online resources.



### FRESH START ASSIST

A scheme specifically aimed at helping newsagents with personal hardship issues and also victims of crime.



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## We are the helping hand of the news trade



Financial Support



Grants



State Benefits Advice



Support For Disabled & Carers



Help For Children



Almoner Home Visits



Debt Advice



Emotional Support

### NewstrAid Benevolent Fund

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## Beneficiary Stories

Ian and Ruth were self employed newsagents for 12 years. They contacted us because they were only just managing to keep up with their bills, following the closure of their shop. Their cooker had recently broken and they had no savings to replace it.

NewstrAid were able to fund the replacement of their cooker and offer financial help and advice through the Fresh Start Assist scheme.



Anna who had worked in a local shop selling newspapers and magazines contacted us when she found herself in debt and had nowhere else to turn. A victim of domestic violence and with a young child to care for, she was also suffering from chronic pain and mental health issues.

After a full assessment from the welfare team, the Welfare committee agreed to make her a regular NewstrAid beneficiary receiving 3 payments throughout the year as well as awarding her money from the ACE children's fund to help with the care of her child. Finally, she was given access to our Debt Advice service to give her guidance for staying on top of her finances and access to our Wellbeing Suite to help with her mental health issues.

## How you could HELP us!

Every year, thousands of independent retailers across the country support NewstrAid.



You can donate via our website  
[www.newstraid.org.uk](http://www.newstraid.org.uk)



You could make a regular charitable donation of **just 40p** per week.  
Email: [mail@newstraid.org.uk](mailto:mail@newstraid.org.uk) for more information.



You could join a monthly regional 200 club lottery specific to your area for a small weekly fee and have the chance to **win monthly prizes of up to £1000**.  
Email: [mail@newstraid.org.uk](mailto:mail@newstraid.org.uk) for more information.

## LAST YEAR WE...

Supported more than **1000** individuals.

Paid out more than **£510,000** to households facing long term issues.

Helped **350** individuals with advice and support.

Awarded over **£100,000** in one off grants to meet hardship needs.

Distributed nearly **£95,000** in winter comfort grants.

## NewstrAid Cost of Living Crisis Fund

Up to **£250 available per household** for independent retailers and their staff who are involved in selling newspapers and magazines and are facing hardship.

Applicants must have worked in this sector full time for a minimum of 2 years. Eligibility criteria apply.

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