

FACT SHEET

UKRAINE SUPPORT FACTSHEET: FINV2

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN GUESTS AND SPONSORS/HOSTS

ABOUT THIS FACT SHEET

This fact sheet is to advise those coming from Ukraine about what financial support is available to them and their sponsor/host.

<https://hertswithukraine.org.uk/benefits-finance-and-work/>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/homes-for-ukraine-sponsor-guidance>

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WHEN YOU ARRIVE IN THE UK

Your local council will give you a one off payment of £200 per guest. This will help to you to get food and essentials. This doesn't need to be paid back. Find your local borough/district contact here: <https://hertswithukraine.org.uk/contact-usv2/>

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SETTING UP A BANK ACCOUNT

To open an account, you will need an email address set up in your name and a valid phone number, to aid communication with you. Bring all your ID and visa documents along

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NOT HAVING ID FOR AN ACCOUNT

Banks and building societies are encouraged to consider alternative ways to identify and verify their customers. You can see more details here: <https://tinyurl.com/5d23xfjd>

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BENEFITS

The state provides basic welfare benefit payments for people who are unable to work, who are looking for work but have not yet found a job, or who are on a low income. This is called Universal Credit (sometimes known as 'benefits'). Ukrainians arriving in the UK can apply for Universal Credit immediately. Universal Credit is a standard allowance, but there can be extras given. You can apply for Universal Credit here: <https://tinyurl.com/6nechf6s> or get help with applying here: <https://tinyurl.com/5n8frtkn>

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GETTING YOUR NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER

A National Insurance (NI) number is used to make sure your NI contributions and tax are recorded against your name, and it never changes. Apply here: <https://tinyurl.com/yc75zfy4>

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EMERGENCY FUNDS WHILST WAITING FOR BENEFITS

If you're struggling for money and haven't received your benefits yet, you can apply for a £500 interest free loan. You can see more here: <https://tinyurl.com/57su5av8>

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SPONSOR/HOST THANK YOU PAYMENTS

Once hosting you have the option to receive £350 for up to 12 months, paid in arrears, for as long as you're hosting. One payment per residential address and paid through your council.

