

## Turn2us Grant Search case study

Daisy aged 37 is a mother of two children, Tom (8) who is severely disabled and Chloe (10). Daisy has recently found out that her breast cancer has come back and has taken long-term sick leave from her job as a sixth form state school teacher. She is currently taking state sick benefit payments. Her washing machine is broken and she is behind on her mortgage payments. She lives in Builth Wells, Powys postcode LD2 3NP.

**Use the Grants Search to see which grant funds Daisy may be eligible to apply for.**

Open the Turn2us Grants Search at [http://www.turn2us.org.uk/grants\\_search.aspx](http://www.turn2us.org.uk/grants_search.aspx)

The opening screen asks some initial questions about Daisy's details:

- Postcode – to check for local funds
- Gender – to filter out gender-specific grants that are not relevant
- Age – to filter out grants for specific age groups that are not relevant
- Overseas resident - will filter by grants for people living overseas.

The screenshot shows the Turn2us Grants Search interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links: Home, Benefits Search, Grants Search (active), Information & Resources, About Us, Ask A Question, and My Turn2us. Below this is a sub-menu with 'Grants Search' and 'A-Z of charities'. A breadcrumb trail reads 'You are here: Home / Grants Search / Grants Search'. The main heading is 'Search for Grants'. Below this is a text box with instructions: 'Please enter details for the person you are looking for help for. This might be you or it might be someone else – e.g. a relative, friend or client. However, if you have or had a partner or if you are a carer, it is worth doing a search for yourself and your partner or the person you are caring for, as help may be available based on both situations and backgrounds.' The form contains the following fields: 'UK Postcode' with a text input containing 'LD1 5YG' and a red circle around it; a checkbox for 'Overseas resident' which is unchecked; 'Gender' with radio buttons for 'Male' and 'Female', where 'Female' is selected and circled in red; 'Age' with a text input containing '37' and a red circle around it; and a 'Search' button with a magnifying glass icon and a red circle around it.

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### Initial Results

This screen shows the initial results for a female, aged 37, living at LD2 3NP.

**Search Results**

Filter your results **128 grants** found for a female aged **37** living in **LD1 5YG** [Search again](#)

Occupation > Health specific > Religion > Family situation > Other issues >

Keyword search... Search Sort by Relevance

You can refine your search by using the drop down boxes on the left hand side of this page. You do not have to fill in every section, only those that apply.

**EDF Energy Trust**

Grants are available for anyone in need living in the UK to cover the payment of energy bills and other essential household bills, items or costs.

**+ Grant can be used for...**

[Find out more](#)

**The Barry Amiel & Norman Melburn Trust**

Grants for groups and individuals working to advance public education in the

Some of the results may be relevant to Daisy’s situation, such as the Aldeburgh United Charities, and you can click on “Find out more” to find out more about the charitable fund and whether it would be worth making an enquiry to them.

However, many of the charitable funds won’t be relevant to Daisy’s situation or background, so we need to filter the results to get a closer match.

## Filtering the results

To filter the results, you can use the “Filter your results” boxes on the left hand side of the screen.

You do not have to fill in every box – only the ones that apply to Daisy’s situation based on the information you have about her, i.e.

- Occupation
- Health specific
- Child with disabilities
- One-parent family

### Occupation

Click the “Occupation” option.

A dialogue box will appear that allows you to select the previous and/or current employment history of the person seeking help.

You do this by clicking the relevant industry/profession listed on the left, followed by selecting the relevant occupation on the right. Click "Confirm" once you have selected all the relevant occupations.

Daisy is a teacher, so you need to tick ‘Teacher/education’ and then ‘Confirm’.

### Filter by occupation ✕

Please select the previous and current employment history of the person seeking help. You can do this by clicking the relevant industry listed below on the left, followed by selecting the relevant occupation on the right. Click "Confirm" once you have selected all the relevant occupations.

**If your occupation is not listed, please use the [keyword search](#).**

- Professional background
- Radio/TV/Film/Cinema
- Religious/clergy
- Retail/wholesale/manufacturing/distribution
- Retired, contemplating retirement
- Scientist
- Seafarer/merchant navy
- Social Worker
- Sports
- Teacher/education
- Trades/crafts
- Transport
- Travel/holiday

This brings you back to the results page. Charitable funds relating to teachers appear at the top followed by funds that match the postcode, age and gender. Charitable funds that relate to other occupations will have been filtered out.

## Search Results

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**Filter your results**      **143 grants found for a female aged 37 living in LD1 5YG [Search again](#)**

**Occupation** ▾

**Teacher/education**

**Health specific** ▸

**Religion** ▸

**Family situation** ▸

**Other issues** ▸

Sort by  ▾

You can refine your search by using the drop down boxes on the left hand side of this page. You do not have to fill in every section, only those that apply.

### Teacher Support Network

Grants available to all serving, former and retired teachers living in England, Scotland and Wales, and their dependants. Grants are to assist with special needs equipment, clothing, removal costs, rent, council tax, utility bills, and funeral costs.

**+ Grant can be used for...**

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### Filtering on Health specific criteria

Click on “Health Specific” from the filter boxes on the left hand side of the screen. Select ‘cancer’ from the drop down box and click confirm.

This returns you to the results screen. The occupation-related funds will still display at the top, followed by the funds that are related to cancer. You will therefore normally need to scroll down or click onto a later screen to see them.

You can also see how you are building up a profile for Daisy on filter boxes on the left hand side.

The screenshot shows a search results interface. On the left, under 'Filter your results', there are several filter boxes: 'Occupation', 'Teacher/education' (checked), 'Health specific' (circled in blue), 'Cancer' (checked), 'Religion', 'Family situation', and 'Other issues'. To the right, it says '144 grants found for a female aged 37 living in LD1 5YG Search again'. Below this is a search bar with 'Keyword search...', a 'Search' button, and a 'Sort by' dropdown menu set to 'Relevance'. A text box explains: 'You can refine your search by using the drop down boxes on the left hand side of this page. You do not have to fill in every section, only those that apply.' The main content area shows a grant listing for 'Teacher Support Network' with a description: 'Grants available to all serving, former and retired teachers living in England, Scotland and Wales, and their dependants. Grants are to assist with special needs equipment, clothing, removal costs, rent, council tax, utility bills, and funeral costs.' Below the description is a '+ Grant can be used for...' section and a 'Find out more & enquire' button. The bottom of the screenshot shows the start of another grant listing: 'Schoolmistresses' & Governesses' Benevolent Institution'.

## Reading the charitable funds' profiles

The image shows two examples of charitable fund profiles. The first profile, 'The Society of Schoolmasters and Schoolmistresses', is circled in green. It features a 'Find out more & enquire' button at the top, followed by the title, a description of grants available for schoolmasters or schoolmistresses, and a section for 'Grant can be used for...'. Below this is another 'Find out more & enquire' button. The second profile, 'Teacher Support Network', is circled in red. It also has a 'Find out more & enquire' button at the top, followed by the title, a description of grants available to teachers, and a section for 'Grant can be used for...'. Below this is another 'Find out more & enquire' button.

You can browse the list of charitable funds on the right hand side and read the profiles of any that look as if they might match Daisy's situation.

For instance, Daisy works in a state school so the Society of Schoolmasters and Schoolmistresses will not be appropriate, but Teacher Support Network might be.

To find out more about the charitable fund, click the 'Find out more & enquire button'.

The word 'enquire' means that you can make an enquiry to the charitable fund through Turn2us using your Turn2us account.

If the button, just says "Find out more" – as it does on the profile for Recourse highlighted in green below, this means that the charitable fund does not accept online enquiries through Turn2us. You need to check the profile for more information about how to enquire/apply.

**Teacher Support Network**

Grants available to all serving, former and retired teachers living in England, Scotland and Wales, and their dependants. Grants are to assist with special needs equipment, clothing, removal costs, rent, council tax, utility bills, and funeral costs.

**+ Grant can be used for...**

**Find out more & enquire** ➔

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**Recourse**

Grants are available for people working in adult, further and higher education who have less than £6,000 in savings. They are awarded towards bills and living expenses, household essential, childcare costs, and medical care costs .

**+ Grant can be used for...**

**Find out more** ➔

When you click “Find out more” or “Find out more & enquire”, the Grants Search then shows you the profile for the charitable fund.

To find the information you want, click on the + sign next to the headings on the boxes. These will then expand to give you the details.

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### Teacher Support Network

We offer free and confidential support services to all serving, former and retired teachers living in England, Scotland and Wales, and their dependants.

- Who is eligible?
- How to apply?
- Other information
- Contact details

Back Enquire online



## Key word search

**Search Results**

Filter your results **3 grants found for a female aged 37 living in LD1 5YG [Search again](#)**

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**Occupation**

- Actor
- Artist/painter
- Entertainment/stage/theatrical
- Radio/TV/Film/Cinema
- Teacher/education

**Health specific**

- Cancer

**Religion**

**Family situation**

**Other issues**

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**The Make A Difference Trust**

Small grants for anyone who has worked or is working in the entertainment industry who is experiencing hardship because of ill health. The charity also provides bespoke back to work support for people who previously worked in the entertainment industry but who have been out of work due to a medical condition. Key words: hardship, entertainment, actors, grant, arts, ill health, HIV, cancer, money, entertainer, cinema, bills, travel, work, singer, dancer, disability, mental illness, courses, financial assistance, need help.

**+ Grant can be used for...**

**Find out more & enquire**

**Association of Teachers and Lecturers Trust Fund**

In addition to the filtered search, you could do a keyword search for Daisy.

You do this by putting your search term in the box at the top of the Grants Search to the right of the filter boxes. Click the search box next to it.

This will bring up any charitable funds that have the term you have searched on in their profile.