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Hardship Fund

This fund is to help relieve the impacts of financial hardship

Seniors (60yrs+ or receiving disability or age pension): Up to \$7,000

Seniors (50-59yrs): Up to \$5,000

Juniors (<50yrs): Up to \$2,000

Eligibility

1. Can clearly demonstrate significant hardship, and how this fund will alleviate that hardship and
2. Where eligible be receiving Centrelink benefits or taking immediate steps to apply for a Centrelink benefit

Benefits

Some examples include;

- Whitegoods (every 3 years)
- Utility bills
- Emergency Accommodation
- Fuel (\$500 max per year)
- Food vouchers (* Only 60+ and pensioners are eligible to receive ongoing fortnightly food vouchers)
- Rental arrears (4 weeks maximum and referral to Housing Support)

*Repeated application to this fund will require referral to and active participation in support services/program i.e. Financial Literacy



Medical Assistance

This fund is to support access to appropriate medical care and support, helping Members meet costs associated with general medical, emergency medical treatment, acute medical episodes, chronic and ongoing medical issues

Category A: Up to \$20,000

Category B: Up to \$5,000 (50yrs +) and Up to \$3,000 (>50yrs)

Eligibility

Category A;

1. Medical treatment for life-threatening or life-limiting conditions (including mental health conditions and disabilities)

Category B;

1. Non-life-threatening medical conditions

Benefits

Some examples include;

- Medical aids
- Treatment of psychological disorders
- Dental and Optical (capped at \$1,500)
- Transport & accommodation for required healthcare away from home
- Specialist appointments

*All applications require written evidence and documentation from a doctor or health professional



Education & Child Development

This fund is to increase access to childcare, improve school attendance, encourage pursuit of higher education and improve employment opportunities for members and their children

Childcare support: Up to \$5,000

Primary education: Up to \$1,000

Secondary education: Up to \$5,000

Tertiary education: Up to \$10,000

Employment assistance: Up to \$2,500

Eligibility

1. Member's child must be registered as a Youth Member with RRKAC (Youth Registration forms available at the office)
2. Evidence of attendance and enrollment at relevant educational institution

Benefits

Some examples include;

- Textbooks and stationery (as per institution booklist)
- School uniforms (as per institution supplied list)
- Child Care / Schools Fees
- Employment related costs to securing employment including PPE, licenses, work equipment etc.



Funeral Assistance

This fund is to support and help meet costs associated with RRK funerals

Funeral assistance: Up to \$25,000

Funeral attendance-: Up to \$200 per funeral (max of 5 funerals per year)

Eligibility

1.

To qualify for assistance the recipient must provide written confirmation of the funeral (e.g. a death notice)

Benefits

Some examples include;

- Undertaker costs
- Purchase of a coffin
- Flowers (reasonable costs)
- Funeral Function i.e. gathering or wake
- Accommodation
- Food and/or fuel vouchers



Lore & Culture

This fund is to support and help meet costs associated with Members attending Lore Ceremonies and/or Cultural activities.

Boy going through Lore: Up to \$6,000 (one boy) plus \$3,000 for a second boy going through the same lore process at the same time

Participation in Lore: Up to \$1,000

Participation in activities on RRK country: Up to \$1,000

NAIDOC celebrations: Up to \$200

Eligibility

1.

The Member seeking assistance must be the applicant, and

2.

The applicant must be arranging or attending annual Lore Ceremonies out on country

Benefits



Meals



Travel costs



Camping equipment

*Where the parent(s) of a RRK boy going through the Lore are deceased, or not actively involved in raising the child, an application from another family member may be considered



Living Stronger

This fund is to genuinely improve and enrich the lives of Members, their families and the RRK community

Up to \$1,500 for use in a range of ways including;

1. Health & Wellbeing
2. Sport & Recreation
3. Arts & Creativity
4. Pursuing ambitions & interests
5. Vehicle maintenance

Eligibility

1. Members must provide a simple 'plan' outlining how the support will generate positive change
2. Provide supporting documentation

Benefits

Some examples include;

- Gym membership
- Health insurance
- Organised sport fees
- Art supplies
- Musical instruments
- Personal development conference or events
- Vehicle repairs (to improve safety/reliability)

*Payments for goods or services are made directly to the relevant and eligible provider, using an invoice