

The Powell Family Foundation Individual Grant Awards – additional guidance

February 2026

The Grants Committee have published the following additional guidance for those applying for individual grants from The Powell Family Foundation (TPFF). This is indicative and not a definitive list. This is in addition to the guidance already published on our website.

1. Items not funded by TPFF

- We do not fund household items such as kitchen appliances and furniture. The exception is where a young person is equipping their own accommodation to live independently or operate independently in the family home. In which case we will consider grant applications to fund kitchen appliances that are adapted (microwave ovens, cookers, washing machines)
- We do not fund alterations to domestic residences or to extended living spaces (conservatories, out-buildings etc.)
- We do not fund electric bikes, scooters or trampolines.

2. Guidance on technology requests

- We will fund specialist equipment (digital magnifiers, Brailleurs etc.) up to £5,000
- We will fund iPads (128GB for children aged up to age 10 (current cost £329); 256GB for children over age 10 years (current cost £479)
- If a larger screen is required, we will fund an iPad Air 13" with 256GB for children over 10 years (current cost £899)
- We will only fund an iPad Pro where there is a specific need relating to studies or work
- We will fund £150 for a keyboard
- We will fund the Apple Pencil or Pro version as required
- We will fund laptops, including the MacBook Pro, to a maximum of £1,200
- We will fund iPhones/smart phones to a maximum of £500
- We will fund an Apple watch to £400.

3. Guidance on funding for other leisure items

- We will award grants to support well-being (sporting activities, music, drama, gaming, toys etc.) There will be a cap of £2,000 on all such applications.
- There is a cap of £500 for sensory toys for children under 5 years of age.
- We will not fund family holidays but will consider awarding a grant to fund independent travel with organisations such as Traveleyes or Seable.

4. Guidance for students entering Higher Education

- We do not fund any item that is covered by the Disabled Students' Allowance. This includes equipment, accommodation, travel and course fees.

END