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**Participation Fund**

A small amount of money is set aside for when any members or members’ families are experiencing financial challenges.

The aim of the fund is to help ensure that no Young People, whose families are suffering financial challenges, lose out from participating in Scouting activities.

The fund is explicitly to cover challenges in paying for Scouting equipment or activities, for example, it might be used for:

* One-off uniform purchase/contribution.
* Allow the Young person to attend a particular event.
* A small reduction in subscription payments for a period

In return you might be asked to volunteer some of your time to assist the Group.

If any Group members (or their parents on their behalf) would like to access the fund, please contact the GSL who will discreetly consider your request.