

# Awards to support social housing residents to access training

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The Northern Housing Consortium (NHC) has launched [Unlocking Success](#), its tenant bursary scheme. Awards will support people living in homes rented from social housing providers to access training.

The NHC is offering £500 cash bursaries to support with the cost of learning. The bursaries can be used to cover costs including course fees, travel, equipment, childcare and even living expenses.

## Unlocking Success

launched in 2019 and has supported 136 people living in social housing with over £53,000 of funding to help them release their ambitions by accessing education or training.

Northern Housing Consortium Chief Executive Tracy Harrison said: "At a time when living costs are soaring and incomes are being squeezed, an award of £500 could make a huge difference. We know that costs for things like equipment, travel or even childcare can be a barrier which prevent people on low incomes accessing training. Our bursary scheme helps ease that burden and has already supported over 130 people.

"The awards can make a real difference to people's lives."

Applications for [Unlocking Success](#) awards are now open and will close on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The application process is quick and easy. Landlords, who are full or affiliate members of the NHC, nominate a person living in a home they own or manage (they do not have to be named on the tenancy but must be aged over 16) for the award, by filling in a short form, which should only take five minutes. The person they've nominated sends a short written pitch or video to explain why they need the funding to support with training or education. You apply via the Unlocking Success website.

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