

## FAQs

<b>Why has The London Community Foundation (LCF) launched the London Refugee Response?</b>	This Appeal has been set up with leadership from the Mayor of London, London Councils, and charitable funders from across London to give Londoners a way to provide much needed support to new arrivals from Afghanistan (and potentially refugees and people seeking asylum from other countries living in London).
<b>Which organisations will get the funds?</b>	The fund will support community organisations who have experience and expertise in working in and with Afghan communities and with specialism in working with refugees and people seeking asylum to ensure that people are supported to rebuild their lives.
<b>When will funds be distributed to charitable organisations?</b>	We launched the fund at the beginning of September. At this point we do not know how much the fund will raise. We will make decisions about when we can start to distribute the funds in the coming weeks. Funds will be distributed in collaboration with other London Funder members to ensure effective co-ordination of the London Refugee Response. This work and how funders will collaborate is based on our collective learning of responding to other emergencies like COVID.
<b>Will my donation directly support individuals?</b>	This Fund will not support individuals directly. By contributing to the Fund, you will support charitable organisations in London who will help Afghan refugees.
<b>How can I donate to the Fund?</b>	<p>You can donate via the online donations page here: <a href="https://giving.londoncf.org.uk/cf/london-refugee-response">https://giving.londoncf.org.uk/cf/london-refugee-response</a></p> <p>You can also discuss contributing to the Fund with Frank Page by emailing him at <a href="mailto:frank.page@londoncf.org.uk">frank.page@londoncf.org.uk</a></p> <p>You can also donate shares. If you would like a conversation about how we can facilitate this, please email <a href="mailto:frank.page@londoncf.org.uk">frank.page@londoncf.org.uk</a> and speak to us before you start the process. We always recommend a donor takes independent financial advice beforehand.</p>
<b>How will I hear about what the Fund is supporting?</b>	If you donate to the Fund, we will provide you with updates about the impact of your contribution. We also intend to publish updates on what is happening on our website ( <a href="http://www.londoncf.org.uk">www.londoncf.org.uk</a> ) and <a href="#">follow us on Twitter</a> at @London_cf.
<b>How does LCF cover its costs in relation to the Fund?</b>	LCF is a charity. To enable us to do our work we have to raise funds to cover our costs. For the London Refugee Response, 5% of every donation will go towards the management of the fund and our costs. We incur costs on activities such as managing funds, governance, and reporting, assessing and distributing grants to charities and monitoring their activity, communicating with donors. This contribution to LCF will be kept under review by LCF's Board of Trustees, as with our work on other emergency appeals like COVID. This will include monitoring volume and value of funds raised to be managed, volume and value of grants being committed and team costs to deliver. Working with other London Funders partners and GLA means we can be as expedient as possible on how the funds are distributed.
<b>My charity or grassroots organisation is looking for funding, what should I do?</b>	Please visit the Available Grants page on our website at <a href="https://londoncf.org.uk/apply/available-grants">https://londoncf.org.uk/apply/available-grants</a> to see a list of all the funds that are currently open for applications. Please also sign up to our newsletter to get updates about when this fund is open. Please also keep an eye on <a href="#">Twitter</a> at @London_cf and on <a href="#">LinkedIn</a> at The London Community Foundation. Please also visit the website of London Funders for updates from other funders working on the London Refugee Response.
<b>I can't find the answer to my question here</b>	Please contact our Director of Development and Communications at <a href="mailto:laura.perkins@londoncf.org.uk">laura.perkins@londoncf.org.uk</a>