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EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES DUE TO COVID-19

(Work related issues, rent no income, self employed, unemployed) see following links:

Croydon Council support, advice and information for those experiencing hardship. A dedicated helpline is available as follows:

Tel: 020 8604 7787 or

Email: covid19support@croydon.gov.uk

Includes support with:

Benefit claims, change in earnings, paying council tax, rent, debt advice, energy bills, travel services, Gateway service for the homeless, children with special educational needs & disabilities.

Support for the vulnerable in the community

If you are extremely vulnerable, or know anyone that is, please register for s upport online.

https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-extremely-vulnerable

If you have no access to internet or unable to use internet please ask a family member orfriend to help, or contact Croydon Council Support

Team on; 020 8604 7787 or

Email: covid19support@croydon.gov.uk

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resources for SEND

Advice and support for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) and their carers during the coronavirus pandemic.

https://localoffer.croydon.gov.uk/kb5/croydon/directory/advice.page?id=cvj0CW-GluKc

COMMUNITY SUPPORT NUMBERS DURING COVID-19

Food and essentials

Croydon Covid-19 Mutual Aid (CCMA) Tel: 020 3322 8379, 8am-8pm daily. Neighbours who can help with shopping, picking up prescriptions, dog walks and friendly conversation

Croydon Voluntary Action (CVA) Tel: 020 8253 7076 Mon-Fri 10am-4pm. Any specialist need above CCMA level, supporting a wide range of individual and family needs. Stop-gap emergency support (e.g. food parcels)

Age UK Croydon Tel: 020 8686 0066 Mon-Fri 10am-4pm, 50 years+ Dementia, disability and or care needs, health, social and community care

Mental Well Being

Samaritans Freephone 116 123 (24/7)

A registered charity providing emotional support to anyone in emotional distress, struggling to cope, or at risk of suicide

Crisis Text free to 85258

Voluntary support for anyone in crisis, by SMS (text)

Mental Health Crisis Helpline Tel: 0300 123 3393

Mind Tel: 0300 123 3393 www.mind.org.uk/

Information and signposting service, 9am-6pm, Monday-Friday

Care to Listen low cost telephone or Skype counselling Tel: 07931 117064

enquires@caretolisten.co.uk

Imagine Independence Tel: 0151 709 2366 www.imagineindependence.org.uk Centre of Change Counselling Service centreofchangeproject@hotmail.co.uk Crisis line and talking therapies via telephone or online

Ethnicity and Language

Croydon BME Forum www.bmeforum,org Tel: 020 8684 3719
Asian Resource Centre Croydon http://www.arccltd.com/ 020 8684 3784

Young People

Childline: Freephone 0800 1111 (24/7) www.childline.org.uk/

A counselling service for people under 19

Off the Record Youth counselling Tel:020 8251 0251

Croydon Drop In Tel: 020 8680 0404 enquiries@croydondropin.org.uk counselling

Ment4 Intensive mentoring info@ment4.org T: 07752817882

Disability/ Carers

Scope – 0808 800 3333/ Textphone: dial 18001 then 0808 800 3333 National helpline providing free, independent and impartial advice and support for disabled people and their families

Advice Services Croydon Tel: 020 8686 0066

High quality, independent, information and advice for people with caring needs and disabilities

Croydon Mencap Tel: 020 8684 5890, info@croydonmencap.org.uk

Learning disabilities support

Carers Information Service Tel: 020 8649 9339 www.carersinfo.org.uk

Information, advice and support for carers in Croydon

Croydon Vision Tel: 020 8688 2486 info@croydonvision.org.uk

Croydon Hearing Tel: 020 8686 0049/ enquiry@croydonhearing.org.uk

Help for those with partial hearing/ deafness

Club Soda social for adults with learning disabilities Tel: 07309 750 283

www.clubsoda.org.uk

South East Cancer Help Centre www.sechc.org.uk lizzie.hewitt@sechc.org.uk Cancer Patients Online Services and activities

Legal Help

Croydon Law Centre Tel: 020 8767 2777

Providing advice and support around housing, employment and family law

Citizens Advice Tel: 03444 111 444

Domestic Abuse

Bromley & Croydon Women's Aid Tel: 0208 3139303 (9am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday)

Supports women suffering from domestic abuse

National Domestic Violence Abuse Helpline www.nationaldahelpline,org

uk Tel: 0808 200 0247

National LGBT Domestic Abuse Line Tel: 0800 999 5428 www.galop.org.uk

Sexual Violence

RASASC Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre Tel: 0808 802 999 www.rasasc.org/

Vulnerably housed and homeless

Shelter Tel: 0300 330 1234 Information on any housing issue Street Link www.streetlink.org.uk. Newly at risk of rough sleeping

Crime

Victims Support Tel: 0808 168 9291 www.victimsupport.org.uk/

Financial Help and Advice for the Self Employed

Self Employment & Universal Credit

https://www.gov.uk/self-employment-and-universal-credit

Employment & Support Allowance

https://www.gov.uk/employment-support-allowance

Covid-19 Small Business Government Grant

https://smallbusiness.co.uk/how-do-i-get-the-government-3000-coronavirus-grant-2549866/

Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan

https://smallbusiness.co.uk/how-do-i-apply-for-a-coronavirus-business-interruption-loan-2549863/

Citizen's Advice

https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/benefits/help-if-on-a-low-income/if-youre-strug-gling-with-living-costs/

Emergency Funding

https://www.stepchange.org/debt-info/emergency-funding.aspx

NHS Guidance in 32 Languages

Please find attached latest updated NHS guidance which has been produced in 32 languages by Doctors of the World.

https://www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk/coronavirus-information/



Black Counsellors & Practitioners Offering Online & Telephone Support

#CoronaAnxiety #CoronaCare

Wayne Mertins-Brown
One to one, couple & group counselling
www.TheCityCounsellor.com

Charlene Douglas
Psychodynamic Coach & Counsellor
www.theintimacycoachuk.com

Kwame Opoku Counsellor / Psychotherapist www.kwameopoku.com

Vanessa East Online clinical hypnotherapy, EFT, Sekhem energy healing, Readings 07985 338680

ShediYah Therapeutic Space Child Adolescent & Family Therapist, Counsellor www.shediyahtherapeuticspace.co.uk

Michael Forfieh Counsellor / Therapist www.michaelforfiehcounselling.com

Hilary Witter Theta Energy Healing 07506771297

Royston John
Coaching, Community organisation development and
Emotional Intelligence Support
07811 374074
royston@rdjconsulting.co.uk

Kimberly-Anne Evans

www.psychologytoday.com/gb/counselling/kimberly-anne-evans-london-eng/716001

Gill Pelage Counsellor / Psychotherapist www.gillpelage.co.uk

Sheila Counsellor www.equilibriumtc.com 07480446844

Sue Brown Counsellor & Coach www.adaimcc.co.uk

Gamal Turawa Coaching purpleturawa@gmail.com

Cassandra Conteh
Wellbeing & Therapy
07507060192
Evetherapies@gmail.com

Floating Counselling 07305882959

www.floatingcounselling.co.uk Info@floatingcounselling.co.uk Facebook.com/floatingcounselling Instagram.com/floating_bodymindsou

Free Counselling for NHS Staff

www.relationalschool.wordpress.com/we-see-you-we-hear-you-nhs-staff/

Chris Syrus is offering two x 30min coaching calls and daily personal development and accountability messages over a 7 day period.

You can book session via www.calendly.com/christopher-syrus.

Powered by OrangeMoonWellbeing.com

Coronavirus Message to the Community in different Languages

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NHPKznd-I2A French Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PtyK7UTod_M German Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6jkUmqCUssI Punjabi Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SOZy5BILCtY Luganda version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQ-cCFH36r4 Urdu Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZIxYmoaZpM Chinese Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Et_UdV6jak Spanish Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xBJaxzCr_k0 Hindi Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xYlagwpK1no Tamil Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q8d-qquce1o Gujurati Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GiGmBU1weqU Farsi Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dfdw0MKXH9Q Bengali Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pRdKCacGST4 Sylhetti Version
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=23Ip4XWIY1E English Version

https://www.arccltd.com/



50Plus Online Cafe
A free interactive website to get all the information you need for the over 50s' https://www.50plusonlinecafe.com



Croydon Drop In

Supporting infants, children, young people and families for 42 years, 1978 - 2020 Information, Advocacy, Counselling, Outreach and Health Support in Communities & Schools.

Our Talkbus is on a 'virtual' tour and our Outreach team can be contacted by anyone in the community every day Monday to Friday between 1pm and 4pm on Call 07592 037823 for advice/information/support.

Tel: 020 8 680 0404 www.croydondropin.org.uk enquiries@croydondropin.org.uk



Croydon Neighbourhood Care Association

As well as providing infrastructure support to our membership and other groups working with over 65's across Croydon, we continue to run our complex befriending service.



CNCA are offering telephone befriending for isolated/vulnerable individuals over 80 years old who have no family or other support. Further details and a referral form can be found on our website www.cnca.org.uk or email:info@cnca.org.uk / call 07926 524572

Neighbourhood Care Groups

An established network of Neighbourhood Care Groups across the borough Are supporting individuals over 65 years.

Groups have diversified their normal service provision to include food shopping, picking up prescriptions and telephone befriending, due to Lunch clubs being closed and shopping buses suspended. Contact the individual group for details of services available. Contact details can be found at:

www.cnca.org.uk/members-2/



Changing how we **SEE**

Service Continuity - Clarity in Chaos

Croydon Vision is dedicated to continue providing services for people with sight loss, many who are extremely vulnerable at this moment in time. We have adapted our services to be able to provide essential support. Furthermore, we aim to boost our member's positivity and outlook; letting them know this too shall pass. Below is our business continuity service plan to support people with sight loss Monday to Thursday between 10-4pm:

Lunch service:

Provision of two course meal, meat or vegetarian dish; promoting healthy living 4 times per week.

Information Technology:

Introduction to technology and tuition; including smart phones, tablets and computer support

Befriending

Phone befriending on a weekly basis or social groups/peer support by zoom.

Talking News/News Letter

Weekly recording of news and entertainment; reaching members at home in the form of an mp3 stick.

Information & Advice

Empowerment and information go hand in hand, so our advice service is of paramount importance.

Grocery:

Equipping members with adequate food and resources to live well.

Contact us:

Address: Bedford Hall, 72 - 74 Wellesley Road, Croydon, CR0 2AR

Email: info@croydonvision.org.uk

Telephone: 020 8688 2486 (Mon to Thurs 10-4pm)

Website: www.croydonvision.org.uk

Twitter: @CroydonVision

London Community Response Fund

What funding is available?

We have two Wave Two funding programmes that are taking applications:
• Crisis response – grants of up to £10,000 to enable you to meet the

immediate needs of communities, from food and essentials, to equipment and additional short-term staff costs;

• Delivering differently – grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 to enable you to change the way you deliver your work to ensure it continues to meet the needs of your communities, from switching to digital channels to redeploying staff to boost your capacity at a time of increased demand. In some circumstances we may consider grants above £50,000 but there must be a strong rationale in your application for this.

Both funding programmes use the same application form, but you will find focused guidance on the different eligibility and focus of each programme below. Before you read through, please note the key information:

You can apply for a maximum of 3 months of funding.

You can only apply for one grant in Wave 2 (for either a crisis response, or a delivering differently grant). If you received a grant in Wave 1 (food and essentials), you are able to apply again as part of Wave 2.

Click link: https://www.londoncommunityresponsefund.org.uk/news/apply-funding-london-community-response-portal

Resourcing Racial Justice

Resourcing Racial Justice has announced a fund to support BAME charities through crises, be it Covid-19 or otherwise. Applicants can apply for grants between £5,000 to £50,000 to support their projects that respond to the immediate needs brought about by this crisis, and other crises that may occur after the current pandemic, such as an environmental crisis brought on by global warming.

This comes after the racial justice charity #CharitySoWhite has published an open letter asking for the ringfencing of 20% of Covid-19 related funding for BAME charities citing the recently published report by Ubele stating that 9 out of 10 BAME micro and small organisations are set to close following the lockdown.

The first round of funding opens 18th May and closes 15th June. A launch event webinar will be help on 20th May that will provide more information on the Resourcing Racial Justice Fund and how to apply.

Heritage Lottery Fund

The Heritage Lottery Fund have set up the Heritage Emergency Fund of £50m to support the UK heritage sector during Coronavirus. Short term funding is available for charities to help them manage the unforeseen risks that have been brought upon them by Coronavirus and the ensuing lockdown. Not-for-profit organisations who have, or have previously had, a grant directly from the Heritage Lottery Fund and who own, manage or represent a heritage.

Grants of between £3,000 and £5,000 are available and applications are open until 30 June.

Further information on eligibility and how applications will be prioritised can be found on their website.

https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/heritage-emergency-fund

Lloyds Bank Foundation

Lloyds Bank Foundation are providing immediate funding to charities who have already spent a significant amount of time on their applications, or were expecting to receive new funding. They are prioritising charities who have adapted their services to meet the challenges of Covid-19. These charities will receive a one-year grant with a lighter touch assessment approach to allow charities to focus on responding to Covid-19.

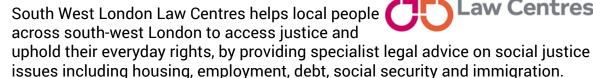
The Hampstead Wells and Campden Trust

The Hampstead Wells and Campden Trust (HWCT) is established to alleviate poverty and advance health in the charity's area of benefit. They typically make grants to organisations, individuals and families. During the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the HWCT is continuing to accept, process and provide grants to individuals in need, though timescales may be extended and communication slower than usual. The trust advises that local groups and organisations needing larger sums to cover emergency work or adapt services to new ways of working should apply to the London Community Response Fund. More details on eligibility, how to apply and the online application form can be found here.

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South West London Law Centres



Without the free or low-cost legal services our charity provides, many people we help would be locked out of accessing justice, because they can't afford a lawyer.

Our law centres are based in Battersea, Croydon, Morden and Kingston. Together we support people across six London boroughs of Croydon, Kingston, Merton, Richmond, Sutton and Wandsworth.

Contact Details: Email: enquiries@swllc.org

Telephone numbers: 020 8767 2777

Web: www.swllc.org

Social media:

Twitter: @SWLLawCentres

Linkedin: /south-west-london-law-centres-5603ba126/

Bromley & Croydon Women's Aid

Our services remain open and we have contingency plans in place. You can contact us for telephone support or any enquiries in the normal way, by email to info@bcwa.org.uk or phone on 020 8313 9303, especially if you are worried about self-isolating with a perpetrator.



South West London

Star Pro Bono - Getting Croydon based Small Business owners through the Covid-19 Pandemic by providing pro bono legal and financial advice.

STAR PRO BONO
GETTING YOU THROUGH THE COVID PANDEMIC

www.starprobono.com

Udemy Is Giving 30+ Free Courses During This Situation to help People Staying at home to Learn.

How To Create A Website using WordPress (Step by Step) https://bit.ly/2xZFf2e

Facebook Marketing

https://bit.ly/2QCslbj https://bit.ly/2wuQSO5 https://bit.ly/2QDk7oK https://bit.ly/33BwMxT

Instagram Marketing

https://bit.ly/2UrCdv9 https://bit.ly/2Wv40xv https://bit.ly/2J7W0uc https://bit.ly/33CLGUx

Adobe Photoshop

https://bit.ly/2QD1Ckn https://bit.ly/3bcxYKw https://bit.ly/2QBt0PY

Adobe Illustrator

https://bit.ly/3acidmR https://bit.ly/2J51vtV https://bit.ly/3amsU6q

Content Marketing

https://bit.ly/2UalAVL

SEO

https://bit.ly/2U7afps

Youtube SEO

https://bit.ly/3beiQMT

Quora SEO

https://bit.ly/2wqSatq

Photography

https://bit.ly/2WKsHpV https://bit.ly/2UbLg4t https://bit.ly/2vED8jq https://bit.ly/2U7iWA9

Filmmaking

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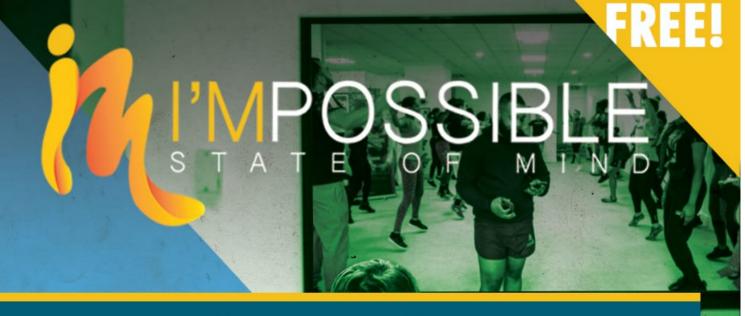
Podcast

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Support Numbers





Online workouts

*Plus sign posted support: mentoring, counselling, tuition and more.

For 8-25 year old's

Weekly Thai Boxing based fitness sessions complemented by personalised, individual support.

MAYOR OF LONDON



Every Saturday in May 2020 11AM-12PM

Online Zoom Meetings

Contact I'mPossible on 07447895734 / info@i-mp.co.uk for more info or to book your a place.







Universal Credit Zoom Meeting INVITE

During this session we will be discussing the following:

- Maximising Income
- Discounts on bills
- Council Tax Options

Date: Tuesday 19th May 2020

Time: 14:00 -15:00

Location www.Zoom.com

Meeting Number: 385 207 6159

Register on Eventbrite Password will be emailed out to people who register

If you have specific questions before this session please email us at info@bmeforum.org











A discussion/workshop on the challenges and changes we have had to make as a result of the lockdown and how this has impacted on our mental health





Approximately one in four people in the UK will experience a mental health problem each year. Mental Health Awareness Week aims to get people talking about their mental health and reduce the stigma that can prevent people from asking for help.

Date:Monday 18th May 2020 Time:7pm - 8.30pm Date:Thursday 21st May 2020 Time:2pm - 3.30pm

Location www.Zoom.com Meeting Number: 385 207 6159
Register on Eventbrite Password will be emailed out to people who register











Talk to your GP or phone 020 3228 4040

Therapies

Food and Essentials Hub

Help us help our community!



With so many people offering support to older people during these uncertain times, we're working to ensure food and essential items are delivered to vulnerable older people in the safest way.

Do you need help or food and essential hygiene items, but can't get out? We can help!

Call our helpline on 020 8686 0066 or email asc@adviceservicescroydon.org.uk and we can try to get you the things you need, delivered safely to your door for FREE.

Do you have non-perishable food and hygiene items you would like to donate? Please help!

If you have items to donate, please drop them to Scratchley Hall, 81 Brigstock Road, Thornton Heath Mon-Fri 10am-4pm. Or get in touch on 020 8686 0066 or email asc@adviceservicescroydon.org.uk

Can you help deliver goods to local older people, or help in other ways? Please help!

If you can transport goods to older people, we'd love to hear from you. Please call our helpline on 020 8686 0066 or email volunteering@ageukcroydon.org.uk and we'll share more.

We always need funds to keep our vital services running. Please donate online!

https://www.justgiving.com/ageukcroydon

PLEASE NOTE: This is not a Food Bank. Please only come along if you are donating items, or if you are a volunteer collecting items to deliver to others.



FREE CARE PACKAGES: HOT MEALS, CULTURAL FOODS, TOILETRIES & ESSENTIAL ITEMS



WWW.P4YE.CO.UK 07415 785101

CROYDON www.croydon.gov.uk

DELIVERING TO VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN CROYDON IMPACTED BY COVID-19 ON WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS

DOMESTIC ABUSE

WHERE TO GET HELP DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Are you feeling threatened or unsafe in your home? COVID-19 may have a serious impact on those experiencing domestic abuse due to enforced social isolation. Restrictions may leave you feeling like there is nowhere to turn for help. However, the police, local and national organisations are working hard to support you.

Call 999 if you or someone else is in danger. If it is not an emergency, please call 101 or visit www.met.police.uk

National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0808 2000 247 (available 24/7)

Men's Advice Line: 0808 801 0327

National LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0800 999 5428

Childline: 0800 11111If you're a child or young person and domestic abuse is

happening in your home or relationship.

Respect Advice Line: 0808 802 4040 For perpetrators of domestic violence looking for help to stop.

Advice and support is available for everyone regardless of financial situation, nationality or immigration status.







ARE YOU SUFFERING DOMESTIC ABUSE?

Staying at home isn't safe for everyone

The Croydon FJC is there to support you

Call 020 8688 0100

Or call the 24hr National Domestic Abuse Hotline

0808 2000 247











Bensham Manor Kitchen

COVID19 RESPONSE

Every week till further notice from May 2020

Queens Hall, 1 Turner Crescent,

Croydon, CRO 2NP

Text a day before to book your food package
Wednesday 1pm – 2pm 07305882959 – Celestina
Friday 5pm – 6pm 07740073353 – Kingsley

Sponsored by: Cllr Kabir from CWB Mayor of Croydon







FEEL FREE TO SHARE

If you know of or have any more links that should be added to this resource please email info@bmeforum.org or What's App on 07957 349 004.

"Individually we are one drop, together we are an ocean." Ryunosuke Satoro



