

Cost of Living Support

Benefits Calculator



Use our benefits calculator to check you are receiving all the financial support you can.

wakefield.gov.uk/more-money-in-my-pocket/money

Water



Struggling to afford your water bill? Check the Yorkshire Water website for immediate, short-term, and longer-term schemes to help.

yorkshirewater.com/bill-account/help-paying-your-bill
0345 1 299 299

Housing



The Council's Housing Advice Team offer advice and advocacy on housing and housing related problems.

wakefield.gov.uk/housing/rented-homes/information-for-tenants/housing-advice

01924 302 085

Free school meals



Free school meals are available to all children attending a state funded infant school in reception class, year 1, or year 2 regardless of income. After that age, income-related free school meals are available to eligible families.

wakefield.gov.uk/more-money-in-my-pocket/health

Other support for families including Family and Youth Hubs, uniform exchanges and help with children's health can be found at wakefieldfamiliesotogether.co.uk

Energy



The Council has various energy support schemes to help with the cost of heating and insulation improvements.

wakefield.gov.uk/housing/energy
01924 307 272

Health



Worrying about things like money and jobs can be stressful and affect your physical and mental health. Find local support on our website:

wakefield.gov.uk/more-money-in-my-pocket/health

Employment



'Step Up' is a free service providing advice to help residents find work, improve their skills or make a career change, or find opportunities to learn and develop.

wakefield.gov.uk/jobs-and-learning/step-up
01924 303 334



Could you be entitled to more financial support this Winter?

Across the Wakefield district, we have advisors from a range of organisations ready to help you with advice on money, jobs, housing, and health at one of our Help at the Hub venues.

Advisors from the Wakefield District Citizens Advice Bureau are available at all hubs and offer drop-in sessions. Contact your nearest hub by telephone or drop in during the hours listed.

1 QUEEN'S MILL, CASTLEFORD
Mon-Fri 10am - 3pm
CAB Drop in Wed 10am - 12pm
Aire Street, Castleford, WF10 1JL
01977 556 741

2 ST MARYS, PONTEFRACT
Mon to Fri 9am - 5pm
CAB Drop in Fri 10am - 12pm
The Circle, Chequerfield, Pontefract, WF8 2AY
01977 705 341

3 HAVERCROFT & RYHILL COMM LEARNING CENTRE
Mon to Fri 9am - 4pm
CAB Drop in Thu 10am - 12pm
Mulberry Place, Ryhill, Wakefield, WF4 2BD
01226 727 824

4 KELLINGLEY CLUB
Mon to Fri 9am - 1pm
CAB Drop in Mon 10am - 12pm
Kellingley Social Centre, 25 Marine Villa Rd, Knottingley, WF11 8ER
01977 673 115

5 ST GEORGES, LUPSET
Mon to Fri 9am - 5pm
CAB Drop in Tue 10am - 12pm
Broadway, Lupset, Wakefield, WF2 8AA
01924 369 631

6 EASTMOOR COMMUNITY PROJECT AT ST SWITHUNS CENTRE
Mon to Fri 9am - 5pm
CAB Drop in Tue 10am - 12pm
Arncliffe Rd, Wakefield, WF1 4RR
01924 361 212

7 WESTFIELD CENTRE, SOUTH ELSMALL
Mon to Fri 8.30am - 4pm
CAB Drop in Tue 10am - 12pm
26 Westfield Ln, South Elmsall, Pontefract, WF9 2PU
01977 642 335

8 LIGHTWAVES LEISURE AND COMMUNITY CENTRE
Mon to Fri 9am - 5pm
CAB Drop in Wed 10am - 12pm
Lower York St, Wakefield, WF1 3LJ
01924 360 158

Can't make it to your local Help at the Hub venue?

Contact Money Smart, Cash Wise, or Citizens Advice Wakefield District for free advice and support on finances.

Cash Wise
01977 724 651
getcashwise.co.uk

Citizens Advice
Wakefield District
0800 144 8848 (freephone)
wakefielddistrictcab.co.uk

Wakefield Council's
Money Smart Team
01924 307 272
wakefield.gov.uk/moneysmart



Wakefield District Cost of Living Support

wakefieldcouncil.com/costofliving



Warm Space venues available this winter

Warm Spaces are places in your local community where people can gather for free in a warm, safe, welcoming place and enjoy warm refreshments and some company. Everyone has a right to be warm, so expect a warm welcome from the staff and volunteers when you visit. Your local library will also be offering hot drinks and activities.

Wakefield Central

Warm Space	Day	Time
Rainbow Hub, Duke of York Avenue, Portobello, WF2 7BY	Tue Sat	5pm - 7pm 11am - 3pm
St Swithuns Community Centre, Eastmoor, WF1 4RR	Mon Tue Wed	3.30 - 7pm
Balne Lane Community Centre, Wakefield, WF2 0DP	Wed	9am - 1pm
St George's Community centre, Lupset, WF2 8AA	Mon Wed Fri Tue Thu	9am - 6:30pm 9am - 5pm
Ridings Centre, Wakefield, WF1 1DS	Mon Thu	9:30am - 12:30pm & 3pm - 6pm
Leeds Gate, Heath Common Caravan Park, WF1 5DB	Mon Wed Thu	10.30am - 2.30pm 1pm - 3pm 11am - 2pm
Wakefield Library, Wakefield One, Burton Street, WF1 2EB	Mon Wed Thu Tue Fri Sat	9am - 7pm 9am - 5pm 9am - 4pm
Sandal Library, Sparable Lane off Barnsley Road, WF1 5LJ	Mon Tue Fri Wed Sat	9:30am - 6pm 9:30am - 5pm 9:30am - 1pm 10am - 1pm
Carers Wakefield, 25 King Street, Wakefield, WF1 2SR	Thu	11am - 1pm
Portobello Community Centre, Portobello Road, Wakefield, WF2 7JJ	Tue Thu (term time) Every 2nd Sat month	12.30pm - 2.30pm 11am - 1pm 6pm - 9pm
The Urban Commune, former Laura Ashley store, Westgate Retail Park, Ings Rd, WF2 9SD	Wed Thu Fri Sat	11am - 4pm
Lightwaves Leisure and Community Centre, Lower York Street, WF13LJ	Mon to Thu Fri	5pm - 8pm 11am - 1pm

Wakefield North West and Rural

Warm Space	Day	Time
Horbury Library, Westfield Road, WF4 6HP		Times may differ due to Ossett Library closure visit wakefield.gov.uk/libraries-and-local-history/your-local-library/horbury-library
Havercroft and Ryhill Community Learning Centre, Mulberry Place, WF4 2BD	Tue	9am - 4pm
Stanley Library, Lake Lock Road, WF3 4HU	Mon Tue Fri Thu Sat	9.30am - 5pm 9.30am - 7pm 10am - 1pm
St James Centre, Nostell Lane, Ryhill, WF4 2DB	Mon	10am - 3pm
St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road, Stanley, WF3 4HW	Mon Tue	10am - 12pm
Ackworth Community Library, Parish Rooms, Bell Lane, WF7 7JH	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat	9am - 12pm 12pm - 5pm 1pm - 12pm

South East

Warm Space	Day	Time
Millennium Hall, Barnsley Road, South Elmsall, WF9 2BJ	Thu	4.30pm - 6pm
South Elmsall Library, Barnsley Road, WF9 2AA	Mon Tue Fri Wed Sat	9.30am - 6pm 9.30am - 5pm 9.30am - 1pm 10am - 1pm
Hemsworth Library, Market Street, WF9 4JY	Mon Tue Thu Fri Sat	9.30am - 5pm 9.30am - 2pm 9.30am - 6pm 9.30am - 4pm 9.30am - 1pm
Little Fishes Soft Play, Hemsworth Methodist Church, Westfield Road, WF9 4QG	Wed Thu	4pm - 6pm 12pm - 2pm
Red Roof Centre CIC, Wakefield Road, Kinsley, WF9 5BP	Tue Thu Wed Fri	4pm - 6pm 9am - 1pm
Upton Community Library, Waggon Lane, Upton, WF9 1JS	Tue Thu Fri	9.30am - 12.30pm

Normanton and Featherstone

Warm Space	Day	Time
Normanton Library, Market Street, WF6 2AR	Mon Fri Tue Thu Sat	9.30am - 5pm 9.30am - 6pm 9.30am - 1pm
Featherstone Library, Victoria Street, WF7 5BB	Mon Wed Thu Fri Sat	9.30am - 6pm 9.30am - 5pm 9am - 1pm

Pontefract and Knottingley

Warm Space	Day	Time
Pontefract Community Kitchen	Thu Sun	12pm - 7pm 9.30am - 11.30am
Pontefract Library	Mon Tue Fri Wed Sat	9.30am - 7pm 9.30am - 5pm 9.30am - 6pm 9.30am - 4pm
Warwick Community Group, 9 Pinewood Place, Knottingley, WF11 0QH	Mon Tue Wed	9am - 3pm 9am - 12.30pm

Castleford

Warm Space	Day	Time
Airedale Library, The Square, WF10 3JJ	Mon Tue Fri Wed Sat	9.30am - 5pm 9.30am - 7pm 9.30am - 1pm
Ferrybridge Community Centre, The Square, WF11 8PQ	Mon Tue Thu Fri	9am - 12pm
Trinity Methodist Church, Powell Street, Castleford, WF10 1EL	Mon	7.30pm - 9pm
Castleford Forum Library and Museum, Carlton St, WF10 1BB	Mon Tue Thu Fri Sat	9am - 5pm 9am - 4pm

More Warm Space venues will be added over the Winter months so check our website for a full list, opening times and activities.

wakefieldcouncil.com/warmspaces



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