

UMUKSF Individual Application Instructions

Before starting your application we recommend you gather all the following information as the application can't be saved and returned to once you begin.

You will need to either provide or confirm the following:

- Read the 'eligibility' and 'we support' sections on the UМУKSF Individual awards page of our website to make sure we will be able to accept your application
- If you or a family member have applied to UМУKSF for funding before
 - The year, the amount awarded and the items purchased
- The instrument/equipment you currently use
 - Its approximate value
 - If you will be selling it to raise money for your new item
- Your gross annual Household income including any benefits
- If you are in receipt of free school meals
- The item(s) you are applying for funding towards
 - Its cost
 - A link to a website showing the make/model of the item(s) you wish to buy. If you are offered a donation you do not have to buy the exact item(s) you quote, this is just to show the approximate cost and the type of item(s) you wish to buy.
 - How much you have already raised towards the item(s)
 - The total amount you are applying to UМУKSF for
- A list of other funders you have applied to
- Why you need our financial assistance and any relevant family circumstances
 - How the funds will make a difference to you

Music Teacher Reference

We also require a reference from your current music teacher in support of your application.

- As a music education charity, we can only accept applications from individuals who can provide a reference from their independent instrument tutor or a school/college music teacher (they must not be related to the applicant). Regrettably if you are not having music lessons (either at school or with a tutor) and cannot provide a reference from your qualified music teacher, you are not eligible to apply.
- You will need to inform your instrument teacher that they need to download and complete the reference form on the UМУKSF Individual awards page of our website and email it to us by the application deadline. Full details are on the form for your teacher to follow.
- We cannot accept references sent to us from applicants, they must come directly from the referee.
- It is your responsibility to make sure your teacher submits a reference by the deadline. If we haven't received it by the deadline, unfortunately your application can't be accepted and will not be processed.
- You will need to include their name, email address and phone number in your application