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Application form Please complete form in BLOCK CAPITALS and using black ink

Full name:	
Rank / Job Title:	Shoulder / Staff Number:
National Insurance Number: (Used by your pension provider for I.D.) Date joined the Police:	Joined as: New Recruit Transferee Mid-Service
Email:	
Date of Birth:	Address:
Telephone:	
Mobile:	Postcode:
Name of Spouse / Partner:	
Date of Birth:	
Dependent Children: Please list names and dates of birth	
Gift Aid Declaration: Please consider agreeing to us reclaiming Gift Aid on your monthly donation. This is at no extra cost to you, but allows us to recover tax on member contributions and boost your donation by 25p for every £1 donated. I would like to Gift Aid my monthly donation. I understand that I must have paid enough income tax and/or capital gains tax to cover all Gift Aid charitable donations I have made in any given tax year.	
By completing and signing this form I would like to become a member of the South West Police Compassionate Fund and hereby authorise the deduction of the monthly donation currently set at £3.30 from my salary. I agree to abide by the rules of the charity. (The charity rules are available on request or on our website: www.swpcf.org.uk)	
New Recruits - I understand that I will not pay any donations until I have completed my two-year training period.	
I agree that if I join the fund in 'mid service' that I will be subject to a 12 month moratorium restricting me from applying for a grant. Trustees have the right to decline membership &/or grant applications where a pre-existing condition or situation is known to the applicant. If I stop contributions my membership will cease. On retirement I will need to notify the fund and give them permission for my contributions to be deducted from my pension. Monthly donations may increase in the future.	
Signed:	Date:

Complete, sign and send to: SWPCF, 3 Providence Court, Pynes Hill, Exeter, EX2 5JL. Thank you.

Note: The information you provide will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and will be used for Fund purposes and may be disclosed to other organisations in order to administer your membership. Your details will not be forwarded on to other Charitable organisations.



The aims of the Compassionate Fund

Thank you for your interest in joining SWPCF. The following is a brief overview of the Fund.

The South West Police Compassionate Fund is an independent registered Charity. The Fund is administered by the Board of Trustees, comprising of both serving officers, retired officers, and members of staff from the police family.

The object and aims of the Fund are simple in that we provide help to our members and their dependents, during times of crisis. This may be due to ill health, distressing events, economic hardship, and bereavement. We achieve this by way of grants to serving and retired members or their dependents who are in need. The Fund regularly helps widowed partners and the dependent children of our members who have sadly passed away.

Each case is carefully considered based on two principles, are there compassionate reasons and is there financial hardship? Each application is considered in confidence by the Board of Trustees. The applicant can be assured they will be supported through the application process, to ensure the best outcome. All grant applications will be considered, in accordance with the fund rules.

Some examples of this type of expenditure are the provision of equipment and modifications at home, to improve the safety and welfare of members who are unwell. Help towards transport and accommodation costs for hospital admissions, respite breaks, educational grants for children who have lost one or both parents. These are just a few examples of the enormous range of demands made on this Charity.

Your membership contributions will help with our ongoing grant funding activities, we regularly award more than £150,000 per annum to our members and their families.

We hope that you can help this worthy cause, and by joining now, you will also have the reassurance that the Fund will be here to help you, should the need arise. Our aim is for every officer and pensioner to be a member of the Fund, so that we never have to turn anyone away who needs our help.

The charity is 'self-funded' so we are reliant on regular membership donations, legacy gifts and donations from the public. We rely on these generous gifts and prudent ethical investment strategies to ensure the Fund can continue to provide the support to those in need.

Should you need any more information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Sara Westcott

Chief Executive Officer