

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL: SUPPORTING SOCIAL WORK SCHEMES

	SCHEME	ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING SUPPORT	NUMBER	How do I apply?
1	Leader's retention bursary scheme	<p>SCC will be awarding retention bursaries to students in their final year of training who are seeking to specialise in either adults or children's services.</p> <p>Students must have passed their earlier years study</p>	<p>Retention Bursaries will consist of: £2000 start up payment and £1500 Leaders retention bursary; £3500 in total</p> <p>As part of this retention agreement final year bursary students will be expected to work for Surrey in a shortage area for a minimum of a year once qualified. A successful work placement in their final year will be necessary to confirm permanent employment.</p> <p>Preference will be given to students at one of our local partner Universities (Kingston, Sussex, Chichester, Royal Holloway) or who live in Surrey</p>	Up to 50 per annum	<p>To apply for a final year retention bursary please contact learning.development@surreycc.gov.uk .</p> <p>You will be asked to undertake an assessment process to assist in matching you to opportunities before the offer of a bursary and permanent job is confirmed.</p> <p>Once qualified the starting salary for children's social workers will be at least: £29k for Children's Services and £23k for Adult Social Care.</p>
2	Government bursary scheme for Social work students	To get a place on a social work degree course applicants will need to apply to a University and demonstrate an understanding of social work and relevant work or voluntary experience	Members of the community who are not employed in social care are eligible to apply for government support of £4-6000 for their studies and to have their fees paid.	Unlimited	To apply for a government bursary contact: http://www.socialworkcareers.co.uk/start/applying-degree.asp

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<p>3</p>	<p>SCC employee sponsorship scheme</p>	<p><i>Any SCC employee who is interested in becoming a qualified social worker in either adults or children's services (you will be asked to choose which area). Preference may be given to those who can demonstrate evidence of successfully working with adults, children or young people, strong analytical skills and emotional resilience. Applicants who already hold a suitable first degree will be expected to undertake the 2 year masters course. All applicants will need to have the academic ability to complete a degree course.</i></p>	<p>Employees are not eligible for government funding but SCC will pay:</p> <p>All university fees and £16k per annum social work student salary inclusive of expenses travel/books etc.</p> <p>Once qualified the starting salary for children's social workers will be at least: £29k for Children's Services and £23k for Adult Social Care.</p> <p>As part of this funding agreement sponsored students have a job guaranteed and are expected to work for Surrey in a shortage area for a minimum of 2 years</p>	<p>To be confirmed but at least 6 for adults and 6 for children's services</p>	<p>To apply for SCC employee sponsorship please contact learning.development@surreycc.gov.uk for further details of the scheme and the application process. The deadline for applications is late December with decisions made by mid January.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>CWDC Fast Track graduate scheme</p>	<p>Through Children's Workforce Development Council funding Surrey has 4 grants for 2009/10 to give to <i>students about to start social work 2 year masters courses seeking to specialise in children's services.</i></p>	<p>The grants are for £12750 each for each year of study. This will be topped up by the £1500 leaders bursary to £14250</p> <p>As part of this funding agreement sponsored students have a job guaranteed and are expected to work for Surrey in a shortage area for a minimum of 2 years. Surrey will also endeavour to provide a suitable work placement during your training</p>	<p>To be confirmed 4 for 2009/10</p> <p>Funding for 2010/11 at this stage is uncertain.</p>	<p>These grants can only be offered to students about to start their course in September. Information is being circulated through partner universities</p>

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5	Return to social work course	People with social work qualifications but who have been out of practice for some time who are interested in returning to the profession	A funded training course consisting of 10 days study and work-shadowing.	TBC	To apply contact learning.development@surreycc.gov.uk . This course is being run in partnership with Kingston University and East and West Sussex
6	Professional development for existing SCC staff	Existing SCC social workers who have been qualified for at least 2 years and completed their consolidation	Funding and travel support to undertake specialist awards or practice teaching.	Tbc at least 10 across children's and adult services	Details are circulated to teams and advertised on Stop Press when available from universities Once completed social workers are expected to stay with SCC for at least two years or refund the fees.