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## **CORONAVIRUS RESILIENCE AND RECOVERY FUND FOR LEGAL AID**



The Coronavirus Resilience and Recovery Fund has been created to provide financial support to enable Scottish legal firms and Scottish law centres to continue to offer legal aid services to the public. This is to ensure ongoing support for legal aid clients, such as those experiencing housing, eviction and debt issues.

### **The deadline for applications is 31 March 2021 at midnight.**

The fund aims to bring firms back up to the income they could reasonably have expected had the pandemic not impacted on their levels of new legal aid business. The Legal Aid Interim Fees scheme, which was introduced at the start of the pandemic to support cash flow to legal aid firms, can be used in parallel with any application for support for this grant.

Grant funding is available to applicants who can demonstrate that they have seen an adverse impact on new legal aid business in the year 2020-21 related to the coronavirus pandemic, and that they can commit to continuing to deliver legal aid services until March 2022.

### **Eligibility**

- are a law centre or firm providing services funded by legal aid
- have been generating at least 20% of your business turnover from legal aid income before the coronavirus pandemic
- intend to continue operating in the legal aid sector after the coronavirus pandemic

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