



A list of agencies who may be able to help if you're facing challenges due to the rising cost of living

Community Advice Centres

Centres providing advice and support locally on a range of issues including welfare benefits and debts.

BOOST Community (Barton Hill)

Telephone: 0117 9556971

or 07516654657

Email: boost2@wsb.org.uk

Debt Support

Business Debtline

Providing free, impartial, expert debt advice to small business owners and self-employed people.

Website: businessdebtline.org **Telephone:** 0800 197 6026

Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

CAP offer free debt advice and other services if you are struggling with money.

Website: capuk.org Telephone: 0800 328 0006 Email: contact@capuk.org

National Debtline

Providing free, impartial, expert debt advice; helping people take control of their debts.

Website: nationaldebtline.org Telephone: 0808 808 4000

Step Change

Offering free, independent advice to help people deal with their debts.

Website: stepchange.org Telephone: 0800 | 38 | | | |

Talking Money

Talking Money provides debt, energy and financial advice to residents of Bristol and South Gloucestershire.

Website: talkingmoney.org.uk **Telephone:** 0800 121 4511 Email: mail@talkingmoney.org.uk

Filwood Hope

Website: filwoodhope.org Telephone: 07712 661 241 Email: advice@filwoodhope.org

North Bristol Advice Centre

Website: northbristoladvice.org.uk Telephone: 0117 951 5751 Minicom: 0117 952 7681

Email: team@northbristoladvice.org.uk

South Bristol Advice Services

Website: southbristoladvice.org.uk Benefits team: 0117 903 8358 **Debt team:** 0117 985 1122

Email: admin@southbristoladvice.org.uk

St Pauls Advice Centre

Website: stpaulsadvice.org.uk Telephone: 0117 9552981

Email: enquiry@stpaulsadvice.org.uk

Energy saving advice and support

Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) Gov.uk

Providing advice on saving money on energy bills and heating your home.

Website: cse.org.uk

Telephone: 0800 082 2234 Email: home.energy@cse.org.uk

Warmer Homes,

Advice and Money (WHAM)

Supporting Bristol, B&NES and North Somerset's most vulnerable residents by giving advice on energy, money, and carrying out home repairs.

Website: cse.org.uk/my-home/adviceprojects/wham-warmer-homes-advice-and -money/

Telephone: 0800 082 2234

Government and **Council support**

Details of cost-of-living support, including income and disability benefits, bills and allowances, childcare, housing, and travel.

Website: gov.uk/cost-of-living

The Local Crisis Prevention Fund

Financial support for basics such as food, gas, and electricity, if you have a one-off financial crisis.

Website: bristol.gov.uk/residents/ benefits-and-financial-help/local-crisisprevention-fund-emergency-payments-and -household-goods

Telephone: 0117 922 4500 Email: lcpf@bristol.gov.uk

Food support

Feeding Bristol

Community Food Support providing free or low-cost food.

Website: feedingbristol.org Email: info@feedingbristol.org

Trussell Trust Foodbanks

Working to combat poverty and hunger. Food parcels are given in exchange for a voucher from a referring agency.

Website: trussell.org.uk Telephone: 0808 2082138 Email: enquiries@trussell.org.uk

Bristol City Council

The council website has a guide where you can find help and information to assist you in navigating rising living costs.

Website: bristol.gov.uk/residents/people -and-communities/cost-of-living-support

Technology support

Good Things Foundation

Providing free sim cards, mobile data and devices to people who cannot afford them.

Website: goodthingsfoundation.org/findsupport/map

Telephone: 0114 349 1666

Email: hello@goodthingsfoundation.org

Health and wellbeing support

The Matthew Tree Project

Bristol based charity providing personcentred support that considers individuals' wider needs, including mental health, physical health, skills, employment, housing, and finances.

Website: the-matthew-tree-project.org

Telephone: 0117 966 8071 **Email:** info@the-matthew-tree-

project.org

We Are Bristol Helpline

Telephone helpline providing information about where to get help with benefits, food, mental health and wellbeing.

Also provides details of welcoming spaces locations.

Telephone: 0800 694 0184

Welcoming Spaces

Informal spaces open to all. Providing space to sit, socialise with others, take part in activities, and access support.

Website: bristol.gov.uk/residents/ people-and-communities/welcomingspaces/find-a-welcoming-space

Telephone: 0800 694 0184

Housing support

Shelter

National organisation offering housing advice and support.

Website: england.shelter.org.uk Telephone: 0808 800 4444

Housing Matters

Providing free specialist housing advice in

Bristol.

Website: housingmatters.org.uk

We Care Home Improvements

Not for profit organisation improving homes so people can live independently for as long as they wish.

Website: wecr.org.uk
Telephone: 0300 323 0700
Email: info@wecr.org.uk

Information and advice

Age UK Bristol

Providing free information and advice to people over 55 on a large range of topics, from claiming benefits to health.

Website: ageuk.org.uk/bristol

Telephone: 0117 929 7537 Monday to

Friday 10am - 1pm or

National Age UK Advice Line

0800 678 1602 8am - 7pm

Email: advice@ageukbristol.org.uk

Bristol Citizens Advice

A national charity giving advice to people on a large number of issues including housing, money, employment, benefits, and legal advice.

Website: bristolcab.org.uk Telephone: 0808 278 7957 Textphone: 0800 144 88 84

Email: info@citizensadvicebristol.org.uk

Bristol Somali Resource Centre

Offering free and impartial advice, guidance and information on such issues as benefits, housing, employment, education, money management and consumer rights. Support is delivered in a culturally competent way, using English, Somali and Arabic as needed.

Website: somalicentre.org.uk
Telephone: 0117 907 7994
Email: info@somalicentre.co.uk

MIND

Welfare benefits line for people with mental health problems who are navigating the benefits system.

Website: mind.org.uk
Telephone: 0300 222 5782
Email: info@mind.org.uk

Money Saving Expert

Website offering help with the cost-ofliving crisis including a guide about what you can do if you are struggling with energy bills and budgeting.

Website: moneysavingexpert.com

Website on debt:

moneysavingexpert.com/budgeting-debthelp

Turn2Us

Providing information to individuals facing financial hardship. By entering your details, their system can electronically search their database to connect you with relevant assistance and resources.

Website: turn2us.org.uk

WECIL

Providing advice and support to disabled people on a range of issues including benefits advice.

Website: wecil.org.uk
Telephone: 0117 947 9911
Email: hello@wecil.org.uk

Welfare Rights and Money Advice Service

Providing support with claims and appeals for disability benefits and carer related benefits.

Website: bristol.gov.uk/residents/ benefits-and-financial-help/welfare-rightsand-money-advice-service

Telephone: 0117 35 21888