

WELFARE NEWSLETTER

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COVID 19 RESPONSE FUND

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response fund**
we're there for you

The special UNISON COVID 19 Response Fund was set up in March 2020 to help UNISON members in immediate financial difficulty due to coronavirus.

163 NI members benefited from the Fund during 2020 - receiving a one-off grant of £250 to help with essential expenses such as food and bills.

To ensure that the Fund continues to help those in need, Regional Committee has recommended that all branches make donations.

Full details are available on the UNISON website - www.unison.org.uk/get-help/services-support/there-for-you

AGMS BRANCH WELFARE OFFICER

This is an extremely important and enjoyable post. Helping members in times of crisis and promoting the excellent There for You service.

All newly elected BWOs receive training and automatically join the Regional Welfare Committee in order to share good practice and discuss promoting and fundraising for this unique service.

WELFARE/BENEFIT ADVICE

Agnes Fraser continues to help UNISON members – referrals can be made through Liz Robinson
Email: e.robinson@unison.co.uk or
Tel: 028 90 270190

JOIN THE LOTTERY!

The Welfare Committee would like to encourage all branches to sign up to this vital fundraiser.

Branches or individuals can join on-line – see the [UNISON lottery website](#) for full details.

By joining the lottery you can play a vital part in ensuring that There for You can continue this important work in helping members in crisis.

You can join for as little as £1 a month and you could win cash prizes of up to £1,000!!!

We have had quite a few winners in NI!



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