



Almoner's Briefing - November 2020

Welcome to your regular Almoner's Briefing produced by the Masonic Charitable Foundation (MCF) and shared by your Metropolitan/Provincial Grand Almoner. Your role within Freemasonry may feel different since lodges were prevented from meeting because of coronavirus but it remains critical to the welfare of those within your Masonic community.

Keeping in touch. As a result of coronavirus many Lodge Almoners have embraced Zoom, FaceTime, WhatsApp and other technologies for maintaining contact with members and their families. As restrictions evolve and come into play, it has never been more important to keep in touch and provide support. For hints and tips on having conversations and understanding somebody's situation read the [Almoner's Guide](#)

The Masonic Charitable Foundation. Funded entirely by Freemasons, the MCF builds better lives by encouraging opportunity, promoting independence and improving wellbeing. Visit the newly designed website – www.mcf.org.uk

Why not share the following information with your lodge members? You could include it in an email it or use it as part of your update during a lodge video meeting.

“Did you know that the Masonic Charitable Foundation is continuing to support Freemasons and their families during these unprecedented times? The Foundation's staff are working remotely to help Freemasons and their families when life takes an unexpected turn for the worse by offering a wide range of grants and support services for financial, health, family and care-related needs. Get in touch by calling on Freephone 0800 035 60 90 or by emailing help@mcf.org.uk”

Further information. Your Metropolitan/Provincial Grand Almoner (MetGA/PGA) is always on hand to offer guidance on how to support members and their families, including the procedure for those members and their families who re-locate outside the Province to ensure they are not lost.

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