



## News release

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### **New services to be set up to support families and individuals affected by the Grenfell Tower Fire thanks to funds raised by Haley Yearwood and 36,323 donors**

Family Action is very honoured to have been chosen by Haley Yearwood to disburse the funds raised through her incredible crowdfunding appeal following the terrible Grenfell Fire. In accordance with Haley's original vision the funds will be spent on both short term and long term support for the individuals and families affected by the fire.

In the short term we will be establishing a grants scheme in order to disburse £750,000 of the monies raised very quickly to those affected. This grants scheme will be open within the next few days and will build on our recent experience of making financial grants to those affected by the fire. The rest of the funds raised will be used to fund a long term responsive service providing emotional and practical support to the Grenfell community. The service will be provided for a minimum of three years. This service will go into set up now and will be fully operational by January.

David Holmes CBE, Chief Executive for Family Action said

*"We are very grateful to Haley for choosing to work with Family Action and for trusting us to disburse the £1,418,245 that was donated by 36,323 very generous people. These funds will enable us to provide immediate financial support to those affected by the fire through financial grants and then a longer term support service to help them with the issues and challenges they will continue to face over the next few years as they rebuild their lives. The grants service will go live very shortly and we will be making further announcements about the launch of this service in the next few days. Family Action is honoured to be trusted with the effective distribution of the monies raised and we are absolutely committed to providing excellent services in the weeks, months and years to come to the Grenfell community. This is the best way that we can honour the generosity of those 36,323 donors and do justice to Haley's original vision."*

Please visit our Grenfell Tower Grants Service page for more information  
[www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/grants/grenfell-tower-grants-service/](http://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/grants/grenfell-tower-grants-service/)

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