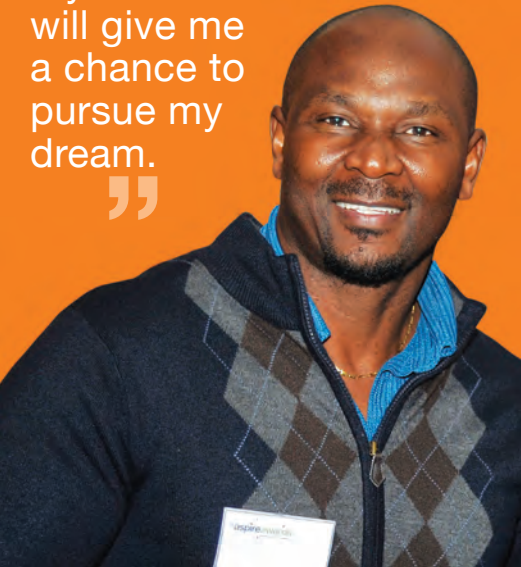


“
My course
will give me
a chance to
pursue my
dream.”
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I'm really
looking
forward to
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I'm going
to learn at
one of the top
places in the
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application form

Office use only:

Name	
Funding	
Checks complete	
Judging panel date	

We want to help you reach your potential

We're delighted you have taken the first steps towards applying for a grant through our Aspire Awards.

Whether it's to help you find a job, support you at university or start a community project – we're backing your potential.

Funding is available in three different areas:

Into work – are you looking to get back into work or to move up the career ladder? This funding is available to cover costs of training, specific course equipment and workwear, or support with transport costs to help you attend training. Grants will be considered up to a maximum of £1,500.

Into education – do you want to start or complete an undergraduate degree? Once a year, we will support two customers by offering up to £10,000 in funding for one year of their degree or associated costs, such as travel and textbooks.

In the community – do you need support with a community group or project which will help make your local community, neighbourhood or estate a great place to live? This funding is available for projects or initiatives that benefit Guinness customers and are supported by the local community. Awards can range from £50 to a maximum of £10,000 per project, per year.

STEP ONE: Decide which type of funding you would like to apply for.

Please note that only one type of funding per application form will be considered. If you're applying for a training or education course, you must decide on the course before applying.

STEP TWO: Confirm the costs of the training, equipment or funding you require. You will need to provide proof of this with your application. (Please refer to the terms and conditions at www.guinnesspartnership.com/aspire for full details of what grants can be used for).

STEP THREE: Fill in the form telling us why you should receive an Aspire Award. Please provide as much detail as possible.

STEP FOUR: Get a reference from someone who has known you for at least two years. You could ask a school teacher, family friend or someone you currently work or volunteer with. For an 'In the community' award we're also interested in hearing from people in the community that would benefit from your project or initiative.

STEP FIVE: Send your completed form to us.

- ★ Post it to: Aspire Awards, 30 Brock Street, Regent's Place, London, NW1 3FG
- ★ Email it to: aspireawards@guinness.org.uk.

Remember to include your reference and proof of costs. Please note that we are unable to consider incomplete application forms, or applications without the relevant supporting documents.

Please see www.guinnesspartnership.com/aspire for full terms and conditions.

Good luck!

Section one About you

Title:

Full name:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Home phone number:

Mobile number:

Email address:

I have applied for an Aspire Award before: (please tick)

Yes / No

If **Yes** please provide details of the outcome (e.g. what was the award for, and was it approved?)

About your tenancy

Tenancy start date:

I am the main tenant or leaseholder (my name is on the tenancy or lease agreement):

Yes / No

If **No** – my relationship to the main tenant is: (e.g. daughter)

The rent or service charge account is in arrears:

Yes / No

If **Yes** – There is a payment plan in place:

Yes / No

Section two How would you use the award?

What funding are you applying for? (please tick one only)

Into work

Into education

In the community

Please note applications for '**Into education**' funding will only be considered in June of each year, although you can apply at any time.

What are you applying for?

(e.g. name of training course, location and provider, details of equipment or project?)

Total amount applying for:

£

Start date:

Finish date:

Please provide details of how you would use funding from the Aspire Awards. (e.g. fees, equipment or associated costs) and why you are unable to raise these funds yourself:

Please explain why you want to apply for this award. What are your future aims and objectives and how will an Aspire Award help you to achieve them?

Please continue on a separate page if needed.

Section three Information and declaration

Declaration

I have read and understood the terms and conditions under which the awards are made. I agree to abide by them and agree to notify The Guinness Partnership of any significant changes in details given here that occur during the application process or during administration of any grant award.

I declare that the information given on this application form is, to the best of my knowledge, true. I understand that if it is subsequently discovered that any statement is false or misleading then any offer of grant funding will be withdrawn.

Please tick to confirm:

Signature:

Date:

Section four Completing your application

Checklist – please include the following:

1. The completed application form.
2. Proof of fees and, if possible, relevant proof of acceptance onto your chosen course.
(This can be in the form of a letter or an email from your training or education provider).
3. References:
This should be a personal character reference from someone who has known you for at least two years. You could ask a school teacher, friend or someone you work or volunteer with. Please include your reference with your application form. If you're applying for an 'In the community' grant, you will also need to provide evidence of support from your local community.

Completed forms

Please return this form and the documents from the checklist either via post or email. Please note that incomplete applications or applications without the information on the checklist will not be considered:

Post

The Guinness Partnership
Aspire Awards
30 Brock Street, Regent's Place
London NW1 3FG

Email

aspireawards@guinness.org.uk

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Tenancy start date check		
Rent account balance		Payment Plan in place:
Housing/ASB check details		
Proof of fees received		Reference received:
Notes for judging panel attached?		