

# Money advice and welfare rights.



**Supporting parents' financial wellbeing through the pandemic.**

## Overview

- Few parents in East Renfrewshire will be unaffected by the current pandemic.
- MART can help reassure parents about a wide range of issues.
- Sometimes just talking through money worries can be enough to reduce stress and stigma
- An initial appointment won't take long and can be done over the phone.



# Difficulties and solutions



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# Parental Employability Support.

- Specialist support focused on working parents and the unique difficulties they face.
- Partnership between WorkER and MART
- Fully flexible and tailored to work around a parent's schedule.
- Combined employability and financial wellbeing, no duplication



# PES project – support offered

- Training opportunities arranged
- Help with the CV or interview skills.
- Budgeting and ‘better off’ calculations are completed, ensuring work pays – no nasty surprises with benefits.
- Debt support and assistance with job searching



# Key Family Groupings



Lone Parents**	Disabled **	3+ Children	Ethnic Minority	Youngest Child Aged < 1	Parents Aged <25
41% of children in relative poverty	31% of children in relative poverty	32% of children in relative poverty	40% of children in relative poverty	32% of children in relative poverty	56% of children in relative poverty

- Kinship carers also recognised

# Call for a chat.



- The money advice team can be reached by phone: 0141 577 8420 or 0800 052 1023 or by e-mail: [mart@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:mart@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk)
- To refer to the Parental Employability Support project by phone: 0141 577 8438 or by email: [worker@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:worker@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk)