

Universal Credit

Housing costs- entitlements



**Are you between
18 and 21 years old?**



**Do you provide accommodation
to 18 - 21 years old?**



Do you work with 18-21 year olds?

In this leaflet

-Information about 18-21 year olds **not** being entitled to help with housing costs.

-find out when your area is effected.

-Who **can** get help with housing costs (exemptions).

-How to apply for an exemption.



The new regulation

From April 2017, some 18-21 year olds claiming Universal Credit will not be entitled to help with housing costs.

The change will only apply to young people who reside in a full Universal Credit Service area

Exemptions

Some young people are exempt from the changes, so can still get help with housing cost.

some examples are as follows:

- Care Leavers.
- Certain vulnerable people.
- People unable to live with their parents.
- People who are in work, subject to minimum earnings.

For a full list of people who are exempt please visit www.gov.uk/guidance/housing-costs-for-18-to-21-year-olds

How to apply for an exemption

Your worker will need to complete an exemption letter for you.

Click here to go to the exemption letter or visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk and search universal credit exemption.

Locations for the roll-out of the full service in Hertfordshire are as follows:

November 2017

Broxbourne & St Albans

December 2017

Three Rivers, Watford, Welwyn & Hatfield
(Certain postcodes in Three Rivers and Watford will commence UC in January 2018)

June 2018

Stevenage, East Herts & North Herts

September 2018

Dacorum & Hertsmere

To see when your area will be incorporated in to universal credit **click here** or visit <https://ucpostcode.entitledto.co.uk/ucdate>

