

APOYO

Apoyo Comunitario ('support the community' / 'uphold the community') *Sur de Londres* is based in South East London and is supported by Peckham and Plumstead Common Local meetings.

Its COVID-19 project was set up this year to respond to the disproportionate impact of the coronavirus crisis on migrant communities, particularly those with no recourse to public funds (NRPF). There are four main areas of work:

- COVID19 Hardship Fund: a small fund for people with NRPF consisting of weekly payments of £60 for individuals and £100 for families.
- Translation and signposting: a group of Spanish and Portuguese translators supports the community to access mutual aid groups, local services, organisations, food banks, GPs, and government support.
- Policy and advocacy: the organisation has links with other grassroots and campaign groups advocating to abolish the NRPF rule.
- Food: The organisation works with foodbanks and community-based restaurants to support migrants to access food, including by acting as a referring organisation where this is needed.

The grant will be used to provide hardship grants for families and individuals.

