

Community Money Advice (CMA) helps local churches to support people who are struggling with debt to become debt-free and learn to manage their finances in the long-term.

Activity Volunteers are trained to offer a range of debt advice services alongside encouragement directly to those needing support.



Time Frames

It typically takes 6-9 months to set up a CMA project. Most centres are open for 8-12 hours each week, but some are open for much longer.

Financial Costs/Contribution

The initial set up cost is £2,000 and it then costs £2,000 - £2,500 a year to run a volunteer-led centre.



Community Support

CMA will help you register with the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and build relationships with other services and organisations your clients are likely to come into contact with.



Project Support

CMA provide all training, mentoring, guidance, documentation and support. You will also have a locally based support manager on hand to help you.

Physical Resources

You will need a quiet space where clients can sit and chat. All other resources will be outlined in the 'Setting up a Debt Advice Centre, booklet.



Human Resources

You will need a team of volunteers to offer comfort and encouragement as well as practical help to clients. All training will be provided by CMA.

"Nothing feels burdensome and I have come to view CMA not as an organisation but as a valued friend."
CMA volunteer.

Replications

CMA has
170
centres across
the UK

"You are lifesavers. You have shown me that my life is worth living."
CMA beneficiary.

To start a **Community Money Advice** project in your church, visit
www.communitymoneyadvice.com