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noun [uncountable]

HELP help or support:

We offer financial assistance to students.

*Can I **be of any assistance** (= can I help you) ?*

with the assistance of somebody/something

We've rebuilt the theatre with the assistance of the National Lottery.

COLLOCATIONS

verbs

need assistance *Phone this number if you need any assistance.*

get/receive assistance *She got no assistance from her family.*

seek assistance *If side-effects are severe, seek medical assistance.*

give (somebody) assistance *Our staff can give assistance with any problems that may arise.*

offer assistance *I would be grateful for any assistance you can offer.*

provide assistance *There is no doubt that the US will provide assistance.*

pledge/promise assistance *A group of donors led by the World Bank promised assistance to the value of US\$508,000,000.*

ask for/request assistance *Police are at the scene and have requested assistance.*

adjectives

financial assistance *The company may also provide financial assistance.*

economic assistance *humanitarian aid and other forms of economic assistance*

technical assistance *Most of our time is spent providing technical assistance to companies.*

legal/ medical assistance *It was difficult to get good legal assistance.*

military assistance *Beijing renewed its military assistance to North Korea.*

phrases

be of assistance (= help) *'How can I be of assistance to you?' she asked.*

come to somebody's assistance (= help someone) *One of her fellow passengers came to her assistance.*

turn to somebody for assistance (= ask them to help) *The elderly sometimes have no one to turn to for assistance.*