

Social Security Scotland

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Dignity, fairness, respect.

Benefits we currently deliver

Benefit	Who can apply?
Best Start Grant: • Pregnancy and Baby Payment • Early Learning Payment - £267.65 • School Age Payment - £267.65	Families on low incomes and receiving certain qualifying benefits. For Pregnancy and Baby Payment Clients get: • £642.35 on the birth of the first child • £321.20 on the birth of any more children • £321.20 extra payment if they have a multiple birth
Best Start Foods	Families on low incomes and receiving certain qualifying benefits from pregnancy through to the child reaching 3 years old
Scottish Child Payment (for children under six)	Families on qualifying benefits with a child or children under six years old (Applications for children from 6-16 will begin from 14 th November 2022, Increased to £25 per week per child)
Child Winter Heating Assistance	Families with a child receiving DLA for Children at the Highest Rate Care Component
Young Carer Grant - £326.65	Young people aged 16 to 17 (or 18 and still at school) who do at least 16 hours of caring a week
Carer's Allowance Supplement	Carers in receipt of Carer's Allowance
Job Start Payment	16 to 24 year olds who are in receipt of certain benefits (16 to 25 year olds if they are a care leaver) • £267.65 for those who do not have child responsibility • £428.25 for those who have child responsibility
Funeral Support Payment	People on low incomes and receiving certain qualifying benefits
Child Disability Payment	Applications for a disabled child under 16. The disability can be mental or physical. Social Security Scotland can pay Child Disability Payment until the child is 18.
Adult Disability Payment	People who can apply for Adult Disability Payment must be either: over 16 years old approaching age 16 under 65 years old or individual Pension age



How to Apply

Clients can apply for our benefits online at mygov.scot/benefits

Alternatively they can apply via our Freephone No. 0800 182 2222.

Clients can also request Local Delivery support to complete an application via this number.

Local Delivery Service



- Provide advice on devolved benefits
- Assist clients to apply for Social Security Scotland benefits
- By Phone, Video Call, Local Venue, Home visit, Hospital or Prison
- If required, advice on requesting a redetermination or appeal and making a complaint will be given
- Work closely with local organisations to signpost or refer clients appropriately

https://www.socialsecurity.gov.scot/guidance-resources/resources

Scottish Child Payment



- Extended to Children under 16
- Opens for application on 14th November 2022
- Increases to £25 per week per eligible child
- Information events currently available

Any Questions?