

Carers Wellbeing Fund

What is the Carers Wellbeing Fund?

Newcastle Carers manage the Carers Wellbeing fund. The fund is currently closed. If you care for someone who lives in Newcastle upon Tyne, the Carers Wellbeing Fund may be able to provide a small grant to help you as a carer. The fund is intended to support carers in need and to improve their own health and wellbeing.

Who is a carer?

A carer is someone who provides unpaid care and support to a family member, partner, child, friend or neighbour who cannot manage without the carer's support. The person you care for may have:

- a disability or illness
- mental health difficulties,
- or have alcohol or drug related problems

You may not realise that you are a carer. See [looking after someone](#) for more information.

Who can apply to the Carers Wellbeing Fund?

You can apply for the fund if you are:

- an unpaid carer
 - over 18
 - and the person you care for lives in Newcastle upon Tyne
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What can I apply for?

You can apply for a small grant of up to £200 for something that will improve your health and wellbeing. This could be:

- a holiday or weekend break in the UK
- college course fees, books or equipment
- gym membership, exercise classes, swimming sessions
- driving lessons

- buying items for an activity or hobby such as a tent or a bicycle
 - household items such as a washing machine, a cooker or a fridge
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How do I apply to the Carers Wellbeing Fund?

Contact [Newcastle Carers](#) or [download an application pack from their website](#).

Where to get benefits advice in Newcastle

It can be useful to speak with someone about the benefits you may be entitled to and how they may impact upon your other benefits. A local independent advice service can help guide you such as;

- [Citizens Advice Newcastle \(CAN\)](#)
- [Newcastle Welfare Rights Service](#) – have [self help material](#) on their website.

Visit newcastle.gov.uk for more benefit advice services available across Newcastle.

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Useful Organisations

Newcastle Carers

Email: info@newcastlecarers.org.uk

Website: www.newcastlecarers.org.uk

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