



Disability Grants News - November/December 2018

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Welcome to the November/December 2018 edition of Disability Grants News - a monthly round up of highlights on the [Disability Grants](#) website and resources for anyone with a disability, caring for or working with disabled adults or children.

Grant News

Here are some of this months updates and additions....

Individuals

- Check out our guidance on applying for disability grants - [children](#) and [adults](#).
- Families struggling with their children's basic needs may receive help from the BBC Emergency Essentials Programme. Applications are made through [Buttle UK](#) by a statutory agency or charitable organisation.
- [The Elifar Foundation](#) provides grants for specialised equipment and respite for children and young adults up to 28 years with physical or learning disabilities.
- [The EMI Music Sound Foundation](#) provides financial assistance up to £1,500 towards the purchase of musical instruments and/or equipment. Open to schools, individual students and teachers. Next deadline for applications: 8th February 2019.
- [The GLL Sport Foundation](#) offers financial and training grants to talented young athletes.

- [The Act Foundation](#) supports both disabled adults and children with grants for specialised equipment and respite breaks.
- A wide range of grants are provided by the [Book Trade Charity](#) for people who have worked in the book trade.
- [The National Association for Bikers with a Disability \(NABD\)](#) offers financial assistance towards the cost of special adaptations for motorcycles, scooters, motorcycle/sidecar combinations and trikes (covers the whole of the UK including Northern Ireland, Isle of Man and Channel Islands).
- [The Alzheimer's Society](#) is offering funding to improve the lives of people with Dementia. Open to anyone (including engineers, developers and entrepreneurs) with an idea from a simple product to a new service. Closing date 1st January 2019.

Community

- [The Ironmongers Company's](#) grant programme supports registered charities for young people with disabilities. The next deadline for applications is the 15th December 2018
- [The Masonic Charitable Foundation](#) supports disadvantaged children, reducing isolation in later life and care services in the hospice sector. The next round of applications closes on 25th January 2019 for the Small Grants and 2nd January 2019 for the Large Grants.
- Funding for projects and organisations to support veterans with mental health needs from the [Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust](#).
- The Government are offering funding to support digital training for charities in England through its [Digital Leadership Fund](#). Closing date Friday 7th December 2018.

Benefits

- Carers Allowance earning limit will increase to £123 per week from April 2019. This is the amount you can earn up to after deducting care costs and half of any contributions to a work or personal pension in order to qualify for the [Carers Allowance](#)
- Carers in Scotland who receive the Carers Allowance on a certain date will receive an additional payment twice a year called the [Carers Allowance Supplement](#).
- The Scottish Government is also introducing a [package of help for young carers](#) in 2019. This includes the Young Carers Grant worth £300 a year for young people aged 16 to 18 years caring for over 16 hours a week.
- [Government publication lists](#) the proposed benefit rates and pension rates for 2019/2020 as set out on 23rd November 2018.

Resources

- Contact have updated three of their most popular [parent guides](#) about money: PIP, Money Matters and Claiming Disability Living Allowance for Children.
- [The Council for Disabled Children](#) have published a guide for young people aged 16 to 25 years on how they can get help and advice for SEND issues.

Snippets

- ["Putting Children At the Heart"](#) is a campaign led by 120+ organisations calling for urgent action to prioritise children and families in the government's spending decisions. You can show your support on social media using the hashtag **#ChildrenAtTheHeart**.

- Save up to 57% off 1000s of Family Days Out from [Kids Pass](#).

Please don't forget that Disability Grants is a shared resource where everyone helps each other..... So, do participate and share your knowledge and experiences.

Help and Be Helped

All the best

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Are there topics you would like the newsletter to cover? Tell us how Disability Grants can improve so we can help you more in the future.

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