Applying for a Time for Carers Grant

Carers applying for a planned break or breaks should apply with their agent on an application form available from Carers Leeds.

Application forms can also be downloaded from the Publications section of our website. www.carersleeds.org.uk

For any further help or support with your application please feel free to ring us on the above telephone number.

If you cannot come to the centre for help and support, a member of staff will be able to arrange a visit at home.

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Tues / Wed / Thurs / Fri
9.30am - 3.30pm
By appointment only
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Time for Carers
Grants to help Carers Take a Break
Time for Carers aims to meet the needs of the diverse community we serve.

The Time for Carers Scheme provides grants to Carers to help get a break from caring.

Carers are people who look after family, partners or friends in need of help because they are ill, frail or have a disability. The help they provide is unpaid.

Some examples of what Carers can use grants for include

- Therapies / Relaxation
- a weekend break
- a holiday
- a college course
- an evening class
- a social evening

Who is Time for Carers for?

The Scheme is for people who provide substantial and regular care (practical and / or emotional support) on an unpaid basis to a relative, friend or neighbour including children with a disability for an average of 35 hours per week.

Please note that it is a condition of the grant that your details will be shared with Leeds City Council who may contact you about services for carers.

Carers do not have to be living with the person for whom they care. The grant is limited to one application per carer except where 2 carers in a household care for the same person, when only 1 application can be made.

Former carers can apply up to a year after they cease caring.

Carers can be of any age.

Application forms are available from Carers Leeds. Fully completed applications that meet the criteria will be assessed by an allocation panel consisting of carers and professionals who meet on a monthly basis.

Agents

Carers applying for a grant must have an agent for their application.

An agent should be a professional e.g. care support worker, CPN, social worker, day centre worker etc. The agent must state their support of the grant.

Carers can receive up to £350. The funds available are limited so successful applicants can only normally reapply after 3 years.

Carers must provide receipts as proof of expenditure and complete a Report Back form.

If the grant is not used within 12 months it must be returned and carers can reapply for funding at a later date.

Carers need to have access to a bank account to deposit payments in.