

Aberdeen Care and Repair Charitable Fund (SCO15306)

Listed below are the various charity's Initiative funds that are supported.



- 1. Home Maintenance Fund** – Hardship grants are awarded to individuals for repairs/improvements/adaptations to the home. For requests over £100 for this fund the Management Committee have to consider each individual case.
- 2. Security/Safety/Gardening Fund** – This fund purchases safety and security equipment which is fitted free of charge in older people's households by our tradesmen; subsidises the gardening service; and covers the cost of essential security or safety work for vulnerable households. Individual grants are limited to a maximum of **£200**
- 3. Minor Aids/Adaptations Fund** – Due to changes in the Occupational Therapists assessment criteria many older people were left without any financial assistance for minor aids. The fund provides grants specifically for minor aids such as, external rails, grab rails, additional banisters, extending front doorsteps etc. Grants are limited to **£300**.
- 4. Decoration Fund** – This fund assists older or disabled people carry out basic decoration of the home; either to make good the room after a repair or improvement have been carried out or when a client must move property due to health conditions i.e. sheltered housing, being discharged from hospital or a care facility to live independently within the community. Grants are limited to **£300** per household.
- 5. Home Safe** – This fund covers the cost of carrying out a home safety assessment to vulnerable/at risk households. It also covers the cost of providing the identified equipment to reduce risk. Grants are limited to **£200** per household.
- 6. Support for carers/disabled children/young adult** – This fund assists unpaid carers and or children with disabilities for who need assistance with items such as safety gates/ramped access/fencing in garden. Grants are limited to **£300** per household
- 7. Electrical Safety** – We have had an increased number of requests to carry out electrical repairs, or an electrical safety check for vulnerable householders. Many older people live in properties built over 40 years ago many of which have not been upgraded to current standards. The new fire safety regulations being introduced in 2021 around smoke and heat detectors will have an impact on our client group. Grants are limited to **£300** per household
- 8. Energy Efficiency** – This fund was given by Aberdeen City Council to provide grants for older and or disabled clients who are in fuel poverty. Maximum grant award is **£500** and must be used for Energy Efficiency works such as: new heating system, replacement boiler, additional radiators/heaters, replacement windows/doors, draught-proofing, cladding etc.
- 9. Gas Safe** – This fund is provided through Foundation Scotland and Gas Safe. Clients must meet a specific criterion set by the charity. Grants of up to **£500** are available for various gas safety measures and are set by the charity.
- 10. Dementia** – This fund covers the cost of dementia friendly equipment such as clocks, daylight bulbs, motion sensory lights, etc. It also covers the costs of a home safety assessment for people living with dementia.