

## **MND Scotland Small Grant Guidelines**

The MND Scotland Small Grant is intended to provide up to £1000 of funding to help defray the additional costs that can arise from living with MND. More than one application can be made to the scheme, but £1000 is the current lifetime limit of the scheme. In the past small grants have been awarded for:

- re-instatement of décor after a wet room or bedroom conversion,
- the hire of specialist equipment when on holiday,
- wheelchair accessories such as waterproof clothing,
- the adaptation of clothing, e.g. replacing zips with Velcro,
- help with utility bills.

The Small Grant scheme may also offer limited help with fuel bills or to replace an item of domestic equipment that is no longer safe or functional, e.g. kitchen “white goods,” as these items are not normally specifically designed or adapted for use by the disabled. In the case of white goods the grant will be limited to the costs of the replacement item to a maximum of £1000; should the applicant wish to replace like with like, it would be up to them to make good any shortfall from their own resources.

A Small Grant will not be awarded when the same resource can or should be provided by a statutory source, nor when an equivalent item of equipment can be borrowed from the MND Scotland equipment service. Small Grants do not cover nursing care, personal care or funeral costs.

Receipts will be required to demonstrate the grant was spent on the items for which it was awarded. Failure to provide receipts will prevent the applicant from accessing any other grant aid from MND Scotland.

Please note Small Grants will not be made for goods or services that have already been supplied.