

Find help to balance your budget

If you're on tax credits or certain benefits, you could be entitled to five family payments.



Scottish Child Payment

A payment of £40 every 4 weeks for each eligible child under the age of 6.

Best Start Grant Pregnancy and Baby Payment

A £606 payment for a first child and £303 for other children. Plus an extra £303 if you have a multiple birth. You can apply from 24 weeks of pregnancy until your baby is 6 months old.

Best Start Grant Early Learning Payment

A £252.50 payment when a child is between the ages of 2 and 3.5 years. You can still apply if your child is not taking up a place at nursery.

Best Start Grant School Age Payment

A £252.50 payment to help eligible families with the costs of starting school. Visit mygov.scot/beststart for application dates and guidance on when to apply even if you are deferring.

Best Start Foods

Money every 4 weeks on a pre-paid card from pregnancy until your child is 3 years old.

Check if you are eligible and apply now at mygov.scot/benefits or by calling 0800 182 2222.



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