

Job Grant

Q: What are the Scottish Government's plans for the Job Grant?

Our [public consultation on our brand new Job Grant](#) runs until 9 April. The Job Grant will assist young people aged 16-24 years old (inclusive), who have been out of paid employment for six months or more and have been claiming a qualifying benefit. Care leavers will be eligible for support for an extra year, until their 26th birthday, without having to have been out of work for six months.

The grant will help meet the initial costs of starting work, like travel to work and lunches, which we have heard young people struggle to pay for ahead of receiving their first salary. It will comprise a one-off cash payment of either £250 or £400, the higher amount being payable to young people who have children.

For further information on Job Grant go to:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/social-security/job-grant/>