

CASE STUDIES

An Asian couple with 4 children where husband due to ill health was unable to work - Partner was caring for her husband and elderly mother - in - law + working 15 hours for the minimal wage.

The husband was granted £97.65 Disability Living Allowance (middle care and high mobility) thus the wife was able to claim Carer's Allowance of £53.90 weekly to care for her husband.

The couple were than able to claim Income Support and also gained £30.05 a carer's premium with their Income Support

Gained £97.65 + £ 30.05 = £127.70 Weekly

Annual Amount Gained = £6640.40

A couple, both in their 70s were getting only their pension, were struggling to pay their bills + council tax. They could not claim Pension Credit as their income was over Pension Credit level.

Attendance Allowance was granted @ £47.80 weekly to both of them and thus they became entitled to Severe Disability Premium of £53.65 each (£107.30 couple) bringing them into Pension Credit level. They were granted Pension Credit + full Council Tax rebate.

Gained £95.60 AA + £107.30 SDP = £202.90 Wkly

Annual Amount Gained = £10,550.80 + full CT

A Deaf lady in her early seventies has been caring for her husband who has terminal illness. We assisted and got her £71.40 Attendance Allowance (AA) and also claimed Carer's Allowance so they gained £53.65 Severe Disability Premium each + £30.05 Carer's Premium

They were then able to claim Pension Credit and full Council & Housing benefits.

Gained £71.40 + £107.30 + £60.10 = £238.80 + full Housing and Council Tax benefits

Annual Amount Gained: £12,417.60 + CT/HB

About a dozen of young clients suffering from Learning Disability/Mental Health and or Physical Ill Health were missing out on Severe Disability Premium (SDP) of £53.65. They were either getting Incapacity Benefit (IB) or Employment Support Allowance (ESA)

They are now able to get Income Support (IS) or Income Based ESA and so can get full Council Tax and Housing Benefit.

A young gentleman suffering from Cancer was struggling with only £91.40 Incapacity Benefit. He was granted Disability Living Allowance (DLA). High Care £71.40 + High Mobility £49.85.

Gained £121.25.50 DLA + £53.65 Severe Disability Premium (SDP). Annual Gain £9094.80

He is now entitled to Income Support (IS) plus full Council Tax (CTB) and Housing Benefit (HB).

He can afford to pay for the carers to come and assist him.

A young single mother from Ghana who is on Employment Support Allowance (ESA) due to Health Problems, has a disabled daughter of 5 has been granted Disability Living Allowance of £47.80 + £18.95 = £66.75.

She can get Income Based ESA or Income Support (IS) as a carer and get Carer's Premium of £30.05 and will get full Council Tax and Housing Benefit.

**Money gained £66.75 + £30.05 = £96.80
Annual Gained £5033.60**

Welfare Rights Advice Group has helped all the above individuals they were seen in their own homes.