

Pension credit update and winter fuel allowance

Pension Credit awareness drive as thousands of eligible pensioners yet to claim

Pensioners urged to check if they could be eligible for Pension Credit to secure the Winter Fuel Payment, worth up to £300 per household.

Pensioners whose weekly income is below £218.15 for a single person or £332.95 for a couple should check to see if they could be eligible. It is worth on average £3,900 a year and can also open doors to further financial help, such as housing costs, council tax, and heating bills, and the Winter Fuel Payment worth up to £300.

And, pensioners who own their own home or have savings or a private pension income could still be eligible – with DWP's online [calculator](#) able to work out how much an individual could get.

You can contact us at LDCA for support and information on claiming pension credit.

While around 1.4 million pensioners are already receiving Pension Credit there are up to an estimated 880,000 households eligible for the support who are yet to claim and we can support you to both check if you are eligible and apply if you are.

Further Information

Applications for Pension Credit can also be made through:

- On [the How to Claim website](#)
- Over the phone by calling 0800 99 1234 (Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm)
- By printing out and filling in a paper application form
- For more information visit the Pension Credit [GOV.UK](#) page.

The Winter Fuel Payment is worth £300 for households with someone aged 80 or over.
Households with someone aged 66-79 will receive £200.