

# Maximising your income

Around eight million people in the UK are missing out on unclaimed state support each year, totalling...

**£23B**



## More support is available than you think

When Ray's wife of over 50 years died last year, his life changed overnight, and his income halved.

One day, Ray found an MCF leaflet in his pocket with our enquiry line number. After speaking to Ray, we were able to talk about his difficulties and assist with an application for support.

Ray had long-term health difficulties. AST identified he was not receiving a disability benefit and helped him to apply.

**"For 15 years I realised that I didn't have to miss out for so long, I could've been receiving these state benefits for years. The help I got from the MCF made life so much more bearable."**

– Ray



## How we can help



In six months, the AST helped to identify a total of **£1,184,703.37** in financial gains

## Meet the AST

Our Advice and Support Team (AST) offers a free and confidential service for Freemasons and families. The team works regionally across England and Wales offering face-to-face or telephone advice on a wide range of issues.

The AST can help by:

- Talking about financial difficulties
- Assisting with and completing benefit applications
- Signposting to state and local authority benefits and services available from other charitable organisations
- Assisting with applications for MCF support

**Those seeking Advice & Support Team support should contact our enquiries team for a referral.**



Could we help you?

Get in touch:

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