

July 08, 2025

Dear Senior,

Thank you for your interest in the CARP Barrie Seniors Community Fund (SCF).

We currently have funds available to assist seniors in need who are below the poverty level.

See pages 2 & 3 below for more information on the funds available between \$100 and \$500 and the process to follow to obtain the funds requested.

See page 4 below for an Application Form to complete and send to us.

We welcome your inquiries via barriescf@carp.ca

Yours truly,

CARP Barrie Senior Community Fund

CONSTITUTION
CARP BARRIE SENIOR COMMUNITY FUND (SCF)

RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. CARP Barrie Seniors Community Fund (SCF) was created in July 2021 to assist low-income seniors in Barrie and the Surrounding Areas by providing financial assistance from \$100.00 - \$500.00 per application. The CARP Barrie Seniors Community Fund is a separate entity from the CARP Barrie Chapter. It is funded separately and has its own Constitution and Governance.
2. This document defines the rules and guidelines around the SCF.
3. Barrie and Surrounding Area is defined as the towns and municipalities CARP Barrie Chapter members are drawn from. Visit www.barriecarp.org/ for a list of towns connected to Surrounding Areas. Seniors applying for financial assistance from the CARP Barrie Senior Community Fund do not have to be members of the CARP Barrie Chapter.
4. A low-income senior is defined as an individual 65 years of age and above who has an income level at or below the Ontario Guaranteed Income levels.
5. The guaranteed income levels for July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2025 (for seniors between 65 and 74 years old) are:
 - a. Amounts reported in an earlier document for 2024 were \$1 ,861.81 monthly (\$22,341.72 annually) for single pensioners.
 - b. Amounts reported in an earlier document for 2024 were \$1 ,437.69 monthly (\$17,252.28 annually) per person for qualified couples.
6. Your Income Level will be determined from a current income tax Notice of Assessment provided by the applicant or a determination from the SCF Application Review Subcommittee of the financial need.
7. Proof of age is required. A scanned copy of a Driver's License. Purple Card, Health Card or Passport is accepted.
8. Financial assistance of \$100.00 - \$500.00 can be applied for by seniors living on low-income who are having challenges with necessities (such as but not limited to: rent, food, medical needs, personal needs, veterinarian services, etc.)
9. If a senior couple need assistance, you can apply once on a joint basis for both seniors. Or each senior can apply for \$100.00 - \$500.00 for themselves.
10. Applications can be submitted at any time and not necessarily by the senior themselves. We will review applications on behalf of a senior or seniors that are submitted by family members, caregivers, community agencies, and non-profit organizations. All applications will be treated with the utmost privacy and confidentiality.

CARP BARRIE SENIORS COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE

All applications to CARP Barrie Seniors Community Fund (SCF) will be reviewed by CARP Barrie Chapter Application Review Subcommittee.

This Subcommittee will be composed of at least Five (5) volunteers chosen by CARP Barrie Chapter.

Our Subcommittee Members are:

#	NAME	POSITION
1	Gwen Kavanagh	CARP Barrie Chair
2	Jane Walker	RN & Founder of the Giving Hands
3	John Tom	Owner, Superior Home Health Care
4	Len Day	Barrie South Lions Club
5	Victor Brace	CARP Board Member & Vice Chair

Funding can be awarded at any time.

Payment will be made in the form of a Cheque, Gift Card, or Gift Certificate as determined by the Subcommittee at its sole discretion.

In reviewing applications, these guidelines will govern the process.

The Subcommittee will seek partnerships with agencies serving seniors — these agencies will provide value and reduce Subcommittee logistics because they already support seniors on low-incomes and have process(es) in place to ensure the need is real and the applicant's circumstances are confirmed as low-income. If you are an agency that wishes to partner with us, please email barriescf@carp.ca.

Funding requests need to be very specific — How much is needed, what it is needed for, and when is it needed by. By knowing this, it allows the Subcommittee Members to approach specific businesses and fulfill a successful application.

Only one application will be approved in a calendar year.

The Subcommittee Members **MUST** declare a Conflict of Interest (real or perceived) and recuse themselves from voting if they referred the Applicant or know the Applicant. When this occurs, the Subcommittee may use a "substitute" Member who would then be able to vote.

Although we wish we could approve all applications received, we assess applications according to where the need is the greatest.

APPLICATION FORM - CARP BARRIE SENIORS COMMUNITY FUND

We encourage you to submit this application by email to barriescf@carp.ca

Or the application can be mailed to: CARP Barrie Seniors Community Fund Box 28073 Barrie, ON L4N 7W1

In applying, please complete the information below.

Your Name _____

Your Email Address _____

Your Phone Number _____

Senior Applicant Name _____ Age _____

Applicant's Spouse Name _____ Age _____

Seniors Applicants Address _____

Amount Requested \$100 - \$500 _____

What are the funds required for? _____

When are the funds required by? _____

Have you previously applied for SCF financial assistance? Yes No

If yes, please provide the date of that application. _____

Note: A copy of the applicant's and spouses' income statement, proof of age and quote from vendor for service or produce needed are required with this application.

Thank you for your Application to CARP Barrie Community Fund.

Depending on the number of Applications that are waiting for review it could take a week to ten days for your application to be processed. At that time, we will provide you with our decision.