



STAKEHOLDER BRIEFING



**Royal Air Force
Benevolent Fund**



THE RAF'S OLDEST FRIEND

**No member
of the RAF
Family will
ever face
adversity
alone....**





MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE RAF FAMILY




The size of the
RAF family in 2014

1.56m



100,000
serving RAF &
dependants



1.46m
veterans &
dependants



1. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



£889K
SPENT ON REGULAR
FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE
TO PENSIONERS



81%

OF PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED
SUPPORT WITH DAY-TO-DAY
LIVING COSTS SAID THEIR
NEED HAD BEEN 'FULLY
MET' OR HELPED
'A LOT' BY THE FUND

£4.4M
SUPPORTING
SERVING
PERSONNEL
AND THEIR
FAMILIES



£326K
SPENT ON
FUNERAL
EXPENSES



£1.5M
IDENTIFIED IN
UNCLAIMED
BENEFITS
THROUGH OUR
BENEFITS AND
ADVICE SERVICE



2. SUPPORT WITH CARE

£2.4M
SPENT ON
DISABILITY
NEEDS

95%



REPORTED THAT THEIR
PROPERTY REPAIR
OR ADAPTATION HAD
IMPROVED THEIR DAY-
TO-DAY LIVING 'A LOT'
OR 'QUITE A BIT'

£128K
SPENT ON
DOMICILIARY
CARE

86%



OF BENEFICIARIES WHO
REPORTED A DIFFICULTY
GETTING OUT AND
ABOUT SAID THE FUND
MADE A POSITIVE IMPACT
ON THEIR MOBILITY

£744K
SPENT ON
MOBILITY
AIDS

76%



OF BENEFICIARIES
REPORTED A POSITIVE
IMPACT ON THEIR
CURRENT LEVEL OF
CARE AFTER USING THE
FUND'S SERVICES





3. WELLBEING BREAKS

- **Care Breaks** – holidays with care packages at locations around the UK
- **Serving Wellbeing Breaks** – cottage and caravan holidays for serving families
- **Group Wellbeing Breaks** – group holiday opportunities for older isolated veterans



4. EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

- **Relate**
- **Listening and
Counselling Service**
- **Bereavement
Counselling**



5. LONELINESS AND SOCIAL ISOLATION

- **Telephone Friendship Groups**
- **Community Connectors**
- **RAF Association Befrienders**



HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT

0800 169 2942

www.rafbf.org.uk

Online Web Chat