Plan Categories and What They Can Be Used For

(AS PER NDIS PLANNING BOOKLET 3)

YOUR SUPPORTS WILL BE DIVIDED INTO 3 DIFFERENT BUDGETS:

- Core supports supports for everyday activities
- Capacity building supports supports to help you build your skills and increase your independence
- Capital supports supports such as assistive technology, vehicle modifications, home modifications and Specialist Disability Accommodation.

Each budget is divided into a number of support categories. Support categories have more detail about what supports you can buy with your funding.

CORE SUPPORTS BUDGET

Core supports help you with everyday activities, your current disability-related needs and to work towards your goals. Your core supports is the most flexible budget, and, in most cases, you can use funding from one category across any of the other categories:

In your plan	In the myplace portal	Description
Assistance with Daily Life	Daily Activities	For example, assistance with everyday needs, household cleaning and/or yard maintenance.
Consumables	Consumables	Everyday items you may need. For example, continence products or low-cost assistive technology and equipment to improve your independence and/or mobility.
Assistance with Social & Community Participation	Social, community and civic participation	For example, a support worker to assist you to participate in social and community activities.
Transport	Transport	This is support that helps you travel to work or other places that will help you pursue the goals in your plan.



CAPACITY BUILDING SUPPORTS BUDGET

Capacity building supports help build your independence and skills and increase your independence as you pursue your goals.

Unlike your core supports budget, funds from your capacity building support budget cannot be moved from one support category to another. Funding can only be used to purchase approved individual supports within that specific capacity building (CB) category.

In your plan	In the myplace portal	Description
Support Coordination	Support Coordination	This is a fixed amount for a Support Coordinator to help you use your plan.
Improved Living Arrangement	CB Home Living	Support to help you find and maintain an appropriate place to live.
Increased Social & Community Participation	CB Social Community and Civic Participation	Development and training to increase your skills so you can participate in community, social and recreational activities.
Finding & Keeping a Job	CB Employment	This may include employment-related support, training and assessments that help you find and keep a job, such as the school leaver employment supports.
Improved Relationships	CB Relationships	This support will help you develop positive behaviours and interact with others.
Improved Health & Wellbeing	CB Health and Wellbeing	Including exercise or diet advice to manage the impact of your disability. The NDIS does not fund gym memberships.
Improved Learning	CB Lifelong Learning	Examples include training, advice and help for you to move from school to further education, such as university or TAFE.
Improved Life Choices	CB Choice and Control	Plan management to help you manage your plan, funding and paying for services.
Improved Daily Living	CB Daily Activity	Assessment, training or therapy to help increase your skills, independence and community participation. These services can be delivered in groups or individually.

CAPITAL SUPPORTS BUDGET

Capital supports include higher-cost pieces of assistive technology, equipment and home or vehicle modifications, and funding for one-off purchases you may need (including Specialist Disability Accommodation).

It is important to remember that funds within the capital supports budget can only be used for their specific purpose and cannot be used to pay for anything else. The capital supports budget has two support categories, assistive technology and home modifications.

In your plan	In the myplace portal	Description
Assistive Technology	Assistive Technology	This includes equipment items for mobility, personal care, communication and recreational inclusion such as wheelchairs or vehicle modifications.
Home Modifications	Home Modifications	Home modifications such as installation of a hand rail in a bathroom, or Specialist Disability Accommodation for participants who require special housing because of their disability.

