

# Cash First Project

What is Cash First; Flexible  
Crisis Fund?

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The Scottish Government's ambition is for a Scotland without the need for food banks. A Scotland where everyone has sufficient money to access the essentials they need with dignity and choice.

The Scottish Government pilot – ***Cash-First: Towards Ending the Need for Food Banks in Scotland*** – sets out a human rights approach to tackling food insecurity.



# What is Cash First?

Providing people directly with money and/or pathways to money when they are facing crisis.

- ➔ Offers flexibility and choice
- ➔ Dignified form of support
- ➔ Effective intervention



# Aberdeen Cash First Network

- ➔ Single males from the age of 18 to 45 who are in receipt of universal credit and have no dependants
- ➔ Establish a flexible crisis fund to those facing financial emergency
- ➔ Improve access to financial advice and holistic support opportunities





# Flexible Crisis Fund

Individuals can be referred through the trusted partner organisations who are involved with the Cash First Network.

- ➔ Up to £600
- ➔ One-off or recurring payments
- ➔ Vouchers, cash payments or direct payments



# How to Refer?

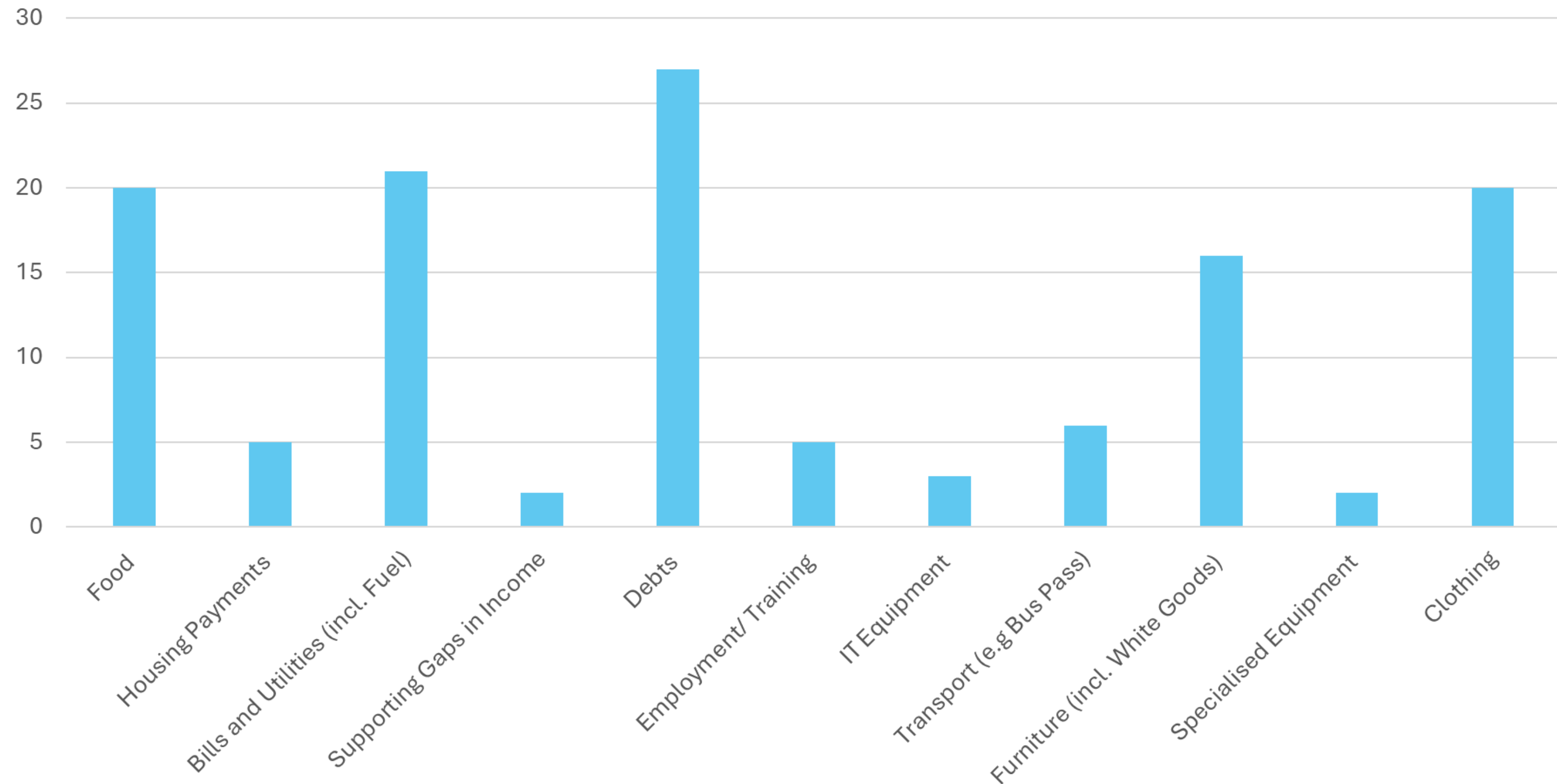
Our trusted partner organisations can support individuals to access the fund:

- Aberdeen North Foodbank
- CFINE
- Instant Neighbour
- Alcohol & Drugs Action
- Aberdeen Cyrenians
- Social Bite
- Aberdeen Foyer

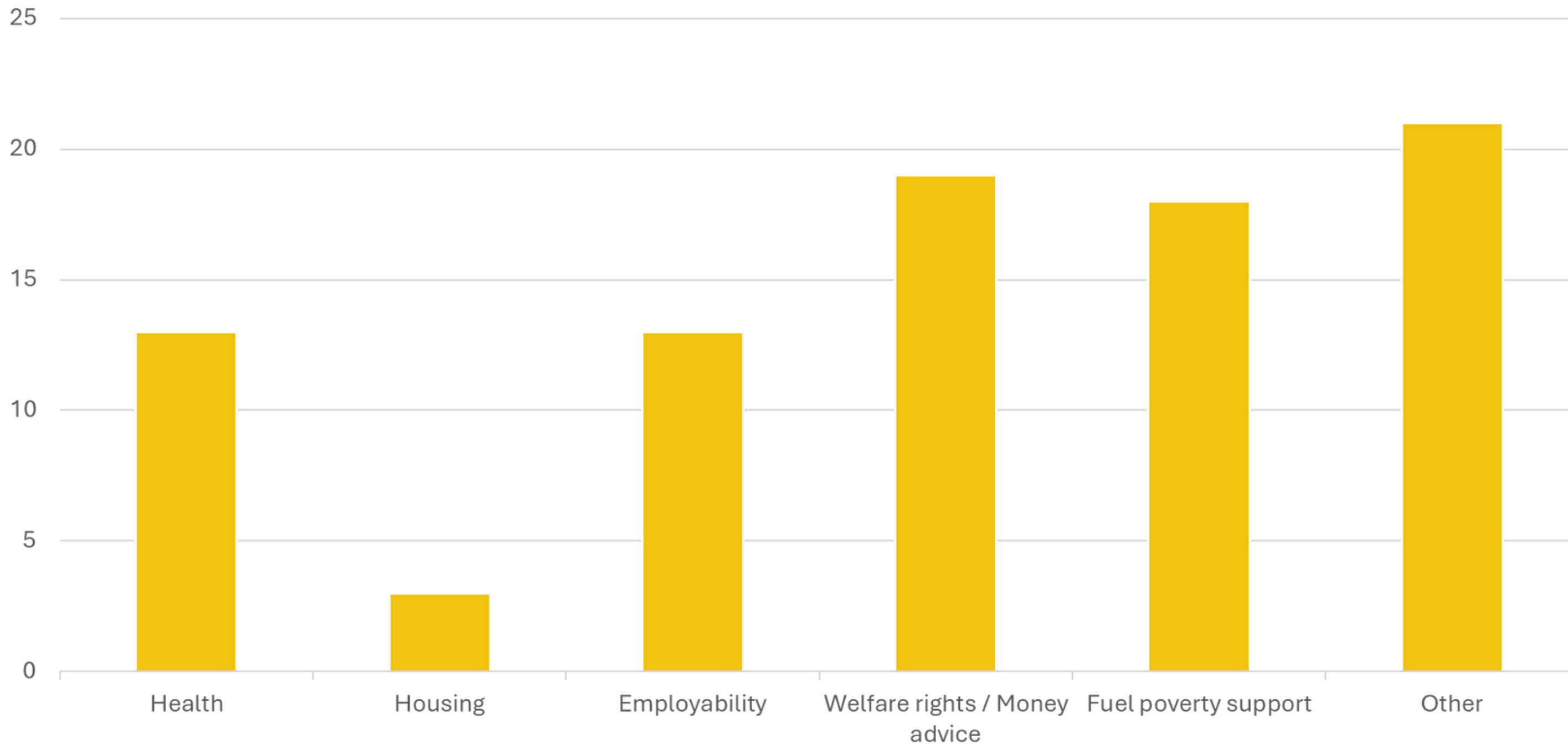




# Funding Allocated



# Wrap-Around Support





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