

**Sanlam Trust** 

# Understanding **Beneficiary Funds**

#### What is a Beneficiary **Fund/Trust Account?**

- ③ Beneficiary funds are designed to protect the assets of children.
- O A beneficiary fund is an account that receives money from a retirement fund or group life scheme after a member has died and keeps it safe and grows the money for the minor beneficiary.
- ⊙ The beneficiary fund pays monthly maintenance to ensure day-to-day needs of the minor beneficiary are taken care of. It also pays for the child's educational needs. Minor children stand a better chance of completing their education if their assets are managed in the beneficiary fund.

## How does the fund work?

• A death benefit payment is transferred into the beneficiary fund and an account is created for each beneficiary.



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The guardian will complete a needs analysis telling us how much he/she will need to care for the child on a monthly and an annual basis.
The money is invested to cover the child's monthly and annual financial needs.
The guardian will receive a welcome pack in the mail, with details on the beneficiary fund.
The beneficiary fund account can pay for the child's daily needs such as food and transport.
For ad hoc claims, the guardian must provide Sanlam Trust with a written request and an accompanying invoice. These can be emailed to stbf@sanlamtrust.co.za.
The claim (specific costs such as school fees, uniforms, books and school trips, matric dance) will be paid directly to the provider.
Each child's account is carefully monitored and managed to ensure that the money lasts as long as possible.

## How Sanlam Trust Beneficiary Fund adds value

- SmolApp a free smart phone app that gives learners access to educational content anywhere, anytime. Information for multiple grades and subjects at their fingertips with free data for MTN and Cell C users.
- Annual Guardian workshops conducted in specific regions to educate them on how the beneficiary fund works.
- One-on-one sessions with Sanlam Trust staff.

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- Ocuntrywide access.
- Quarterly SMS campaigns.

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## When the beneficiary reaches majority age, they have the following options:

• Keep their funds with Sanlam Trust until they complete their studies.



> **Invest the funds** with the assistance of a financial adviser.



Receive a cash payout into their bank account.



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