

Wellbeing for Longer in Glasgow Fund 2017-18

Voluntary Action Fund (VAF) is inviting applications from third sector organisations and community groups working in Glasgow City. The application deadline is Friday 1st December 2017.

About the Funding

VAF are developing and managing this fund on behalf of Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership (GHSCP).

The aim of this fund is to:

Support community and third sector organisations to design and deliver programmes enabling Glasgow residents most likely to experience isolation (by barriers such as age, disability, poverty and language), to sustain their well-being and reduce isolation.

The fund outcomes are to:

- Address health inequalities and improve health
- Improve social inclusion, enabling residents who are isolated to be more connected

Applications are expected to:

1. Focus on early intervention and prevention approaches with residents who are most likely to experience isolation. Priority will be given to projects working with adults with multiple complex health needs /barriers which contribute to isolation including physical, sensory and mental health barriers.
2. Maximise social capital within communities and work to co-production delivery models.



Who can apply?

This is an open and competitive fund for:

- Third sector organisations (voluntary organisation or community group) whose Board of Trustees or Management Committee are predominantly volunteers;
- Organisations do not need to be registered charities, although their constitution/set of rules should make clear that funds will only be spent on purposes established in the constitution, and not distributed amongst members;
- Organisations that have a Glasgow base and have an annual income of below £250,000 (excluding any one off capital items or funds held on behalf of another independent organisation) in their last financial year, **unless** they are applying to the fund to support a city-wide project;
- Organisations that can finish their projects by 31st March 2019;
- Organisations with a bank account in their own name.

How much can organisations apply for?

Two levels of grant are available.

1. Small Grants from £2,500 to £10,000 (lower level monitoring)
2. Medium Grants from £10,001 to £30,000

What type of projects will the fund support?

The Fund will support different types of interventions to tackle social isolation and improve/maintain health and wellbeing in Glasgow, with a priority focus on the most vulnerable adults.

The Fund will support the continuation or expansion of existing activity as well as new or pilot activity. Please refer to the website for information on items that are ineligible for support.

We would welcome applications which enable:

- **Social participation**; supporting people to extend their personal social networks and supporting their capacity to engage in these.
- **Social networks**; work to increase the range and use of social groups and community services for a place/group experiencing isolation (might not be direct delivery).
- **Social engagement**; programmes that make contact and build trusting relationships with people not in regular contact with anyone and build their social connections.

More information including the online application form will be available on the VAF website (below) from Wednesday 1st November. **Please email enquiries to wellbeing@vaf.org.uk**



About Voluntary Action Fund

Voluntary Action Fund (www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk) is a long-established, independent fund manager in Scotland. VAF distributes over £15 million annually to over 500 organisations in Scotland: from grassroots community groups with limited income to national organisations with income in excess of £5 million per annum.

Voluntary Action Fund manages the Wellbeing for Longer in Glasgow Fund on behalf of Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership, which funds it.

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