

Wellbeing for Longer in Glasgow Fund 2019-21

Voluntary Action Fund (VAF) is inviting applications from third sector organisations and community groups working in Glasgow City. The application deadline is Monday 3rd December 2018.

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 adults most at risk of social isolation and loneliness in line with Scottish Government Strategy. Applications should clearly demonstrate that they will work with people most at risk because of at least one of the following:

- **Personal characteristics** – for example this would include all protected characteristics such as disability and age or other barriers such as language and money.
- **Life transitions** – for example this would include young people leaving home, bereavement, becoming a parent and retirement.
- **Health** – for example this would include conditions which may limit your ability to leave the house or interact with others.

Applications should fit with both fund outcomes:

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

Applications are expected to focus on activities which will either:

- Reduce stigma
- Encourage kindness
- Tackle impact of poverty
- Address inequality
- Promote and improve health and wellbeing
- Support volunteering
- Improve infrastructure

Who can apply?

This is an open and competitive fund for:

- Third sector organisations including unincorporated voluntary organisations, community groups, clubs, SCIOs (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations) and CICs (Community Interest Companies);
- 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 in which case there is no income threshold;
- Organisations with a bank account in their own name.

How much can organisations apply for?

Minimum grant is **£2,500** per annum. Two levels of grant are available depending on operational reach across the three sectors of the city (North East, North West, South).

1. Organisations offering activities to residents predominantly from one sector of the city can apply for up to **£25,000** per annum
2. Organisations who deliver services to adults from at least two sectors of the city (a sizeable proportion of their service users must **currently** come from more than one sector) and who will offer activities to residents from across the city can apply for up to **£40,000** per annum

What is the funding period?

Activities and spend must be completed between 1st April 2019 and 31st March 2021

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 (age 16+).

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.

More information including the online application form will be available on the [VAF website](#) from week commencing 5th 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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