

## Provide Community Grants – Application Guidance

Provide Community CIC's grant-making approach is based on our values of care, innovation and compassion. Applications for unrestricted grants of up to £5,000 or £30,000 are welcomed from charitable organisations that improve health and wellbeing in local communities.

Please note that you can only apply for one grant in any twelve-month period, so we advise you to think carefully about which grant round to apply to.

### Our grants for up to £5,000

The programme opens for applications for grants of up to £5,000 on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 and closes 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 (*this fund may close early if oversubscribed*). Outcomes can be expected by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. Dates for other funding rounds will be publicised in future.

Grants of £5,000 are offered with a duration of one year.

We are keen to support as many charitable organisations as possible and aim to keep the process as simple as we can. The following application guidance details what we are looking for from applicants and how to apply.

### Our grants for up to £30,000

This programme is currently closed. We expect this to re-open in 2025.

## Grant Criteria

Applications are welcome from registered charities, Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs) and Community Interest Companies (CICs) with an annual gross income of less than £5 million.

The aim of the Community Grants scheme is to support charitable organisations that enhance the health of people in their local communities. In particular, applications must align with at least one of the following themes:

- to help people stay healthy in their community
- to provide health education in the community
- to provide technological solutions that support community health and wellbeing

We are seeking applications from charitable organisations working in at least one of the following counties. Organisations operating entirely outside of these areas are not eligible to apply.

- Essex
- Derbyshire
- Cheshire
- Suffolk
- Dorset
- North Yorkshire
- Nottinghamshire
- Lincolnshire
- South Yorkshire

Whilst we value innovation, we also know that it is difficult to sustain effective programmes beyond the start-up phase, we are therefore open to funding both new and continuing projects or ongoing running costs.

The funder will not consider applications:

- outside of the geographical areas stated above
- that do not meet our eligibility criteria
- for individuals
- from organisations that have applied and been rejected in the past 12 months
- from organisations that are not a registered charity, a CIC or a CIO
- for retrospective funding
- from organisations that do not have the required additional documents
- for medical research
- for capital appeals
- for religious or political causes
- for endowment funds
- for one-off events
- from organisations with significant free reserves (more than 12 months running costs)

We aim to be as inclusive as possible through this funding scheme. If you are unsure whether or not your project is eligible, please contact us by email at [grants.enquiries@ormistonfamilies.org.uk](mailto:grants.enquiries@ormistonfamilies.org.uk).

To check whether your charitable organisation is eligible to apply please take our eligibility quiz which can be found at <https://www.ormiston.org/get-involved/grants/>.

## Application process

Once you have successfully completed our eligibility quiz, you will then be directed to our application portal, be able to register an account if you don't already have one and be able to start your application.

The application is split into four sections, as follows:

1. About the organisation
2. About your project
3. Funding Information
4. Supporting Documents & Declaration

As part of our due diligence process, you will be required to upload documentation, such as:

- Governing document
- Annual accounts (within the last 12 months)
- Safeguarding policy
- Equal Opportunities policy
- Copy of a bank statement less than 3 months old or a paying-in slip

**Please note, your application will not be assessed without receipt of all the required supporting documents.**

Once you have submitted your application you will receive an automated receipt and a PDF copy of your application for your records.

Once our team has reviewed all the applications submitted, they will take forward applications to be considered by an independent grants panel. Only applications that meet the fund criteria and contain all the required additional documents will be considered. If your application is unsuccessful at any stage, you will be notified by email.

The independent grants panel will consider the remaining applications and the final grant awards will be approved by Provide CIC's Board of Trustees. The final outcome will then be communicated to all applicants by email. Please note, there is no right to appeal the outcome of your application.

If you are awarded a grant then you must adhere to the grant terms and conditions, which will be emailed to you along with your award letter. Please take the time to read your grant terms and conditions. If there are any additional conditions specifically for your charitable organisation, these will be in bold at the end of your terms and conditions.

Grants will be paid by BACs after you have been notified of your award.

Monitoring and evaluation will be required for all grant awards 12 months after the grant award date using our standard monitoring form which we will send to you. Interim monitoring will be required for multiyear grants. Please review the outcome monitoring requirements of this grant programme once you receive them, as you may need to collect baseline data at the beginning of the grant period.

Provide Community CIC is keen to visit your work so that we can understand your work better and the impact you are having. You will describe what such a visit might look like in your application. A visit will be included in the terms of any grant award.

**[Click here to check your eligibility and apply](https://www.ormiston.org/get-involved/grants/)** which can be found at <https://www.ormiston.org/get-involved/grants/>.