

Information for Small Change for Justice II

The Highland Community Justice Partnership has secured a sum of money to give to community projects throughout Highland which support the rehabilitation of offenders, prevent offending behaviour, and support the victims of offending behaviour.

Small Change For Justice is a grant giving process which will put organisations and agencies in the position for voting for projects they believe will make a difference.

On the 18 March they will be invited to listen to the ideas that organisations and community groups have and will be asked to decide who should get the money.

Who can apply?

Any Third Sector organisation, charity, social enterprise, club, or community group can apply. Partnership applications with Public Sector organisations are eligible but a Third Sector organisation must be the lead applicant.

How much can you apply for?

Applications up to £4,000 can be applied for and a group can apply for more than one project; but multiple applications are unlikely to all be put through to the grant giving day on 18 March 2022

What can the money be used for?

The project must relate to at least one of our nationally set outcomes (described later), but you are free to pitch any idea which you think will contribute to achieving one or more of these outcomes.

Where has the money come from?

The Community Justice Partnership has saved some money from previous years and the current one to form the fund.

Who decides who gets the money?

Initially your application will go to a panel of the Community Justice Partnership who will check that it is eligible and meets criteria. After that, a number of eligible projects working with people with offending history and victims will be put through to pitch to a wider audience on the 18 March.

Everyone able to vote on 18 March will have to demonstrate they meet the eligibility criteria; essentially that they are a part of the thematic community formed from people working of benefiting from activities related to Community Justice.

How do we apply?

To apply, go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/smallChange22>

The Community Justice Partnership believe that big differences can be made through activities and actions which don't need to cost big sums. We hope this will be an opportunity to learn more about what Third Sector organisations are currently doing or could do to support this important area of work here in Highland.

Dates for your diary:

Closing Date for applications: **7 February 2022**

Confirmation Deadline: **18 February 2022**

Decision making day: **18 March**

You will receive information no later than 18 February if you are invited to present your idea to the pitch event on the 18 March.

The Small Change for Justice event will be held at a venue in Inverness (TBC). There will be a limited audience and there will also be safety measures in place.

Please keep 18 March marked in your diary, even if you aren't invited to present you will still be invited to come along and take part in the event if you are able.

If you have any questions in relation to the event or if you aren't already on the circulation list for Community Justice related news, and you would like to be, then get in touch with Margaret McShane, Highland Community Justice Partnership Manager:

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Further Information

Why are we doing this?

We believe that these things happen when organisations and public agencies participate in an event like this:

Understanding grows - A better understanding of what is happening within our communities and who is doing what

New voices are heard – The opportunity for new organisations and new approaches

Money reaches further and goes deeper – Developing and adapting assets to include people with an offending history and those affected by crime

Aspirations are raised – Enhances confidence in the work being carried out that it will make a difference

Positive relationships build new opportunities - So much more can be achieved through collaboration

Your projects and ideas need to be able to support delivery of one or more of these outcomes:

- *Communities improve their understanding and participation in Community Justice*
- *Partners plan and deliver in a more strategic and collaborative way*
- *People have better access to the services they require, including welfare, health & wellbeing, housing and employability.*
- *Effective interventions are delivered to prevent and reduce the risk of further offending*

How to apply:

If you are a: **Third Sector organisation, Registered Charity, Constituted Community Group, Community Interest Company, Community Club or equivalent** you are eligible to apply but you must have access to your own bank account.

The money provided must be spent within 12 months and at the end of the activity or project a report must be sent to Highland Community Justice Partnership. You will also be contacted by the Partnership during the project to find out how your project is progressing.

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If your application is similar to another application that we receive we may be in touch to see if we can ask your groups to work together and resubmit a joint application.

When will you get the money?

If you are successful, you will receive 50% of the funding before the end of April 2022 so you can start your project by the end of May 2022. The remaining amount will be paid upon receipt of the end of project report. (This is subject to negotiation in certain circumstances) Please see the application form).

What happens next?

Your application needs to be completed and submitted by 7 February 2022. After this date the panel will make a decision, and if your idea is to go forward for pitching to the full event on 18 March you will be notified by 18 February. If your initial application isn't successful, we may be in touch to ask you to resubmit, but this will be dependent on the number of applications received.