







Third Sector Capital Fund 2022

Guidance

Introduction

The Cardiff and Vale Regional Partnership Board has allocated £100,000 funding from the Welsh Government's Housing with Care Fund, to support third sector community services in Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan. The Third Sector Capital Fund is managed and administered by Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS).

The Capital Fund is open for applications from Friday 6th January 2023, with a deadline for submission of 12pm on Friday, 27th January 2023

Aim of the Capital Fund

This Fund aims to provide capital resources for projects that support, older people, carers, people with disabilities and children, that deliver services closer to home in their local communities to help prevent the need to access Health & Social Care services in a more formal setting.

The Capital Fund is focussed on the following **priority service areas**:

- older people with complex needs and long term conditions, including dementia. This includes supporting older people to maintain their independence and remain at home, avoiding unnecessary hospital admissions and delayed discharges;
- people with learning disabilities;
- children at risk;
- children with complex needs due to disability or illness:
- enabling families to meet their children's needs and help them to stay together;
- supporting carers, including young carers, in their caring role and enable them to maintain their own wellbeing (with a focus on the national priorities of supporting life alongside caring, identifying and recognising carers, providing information advice and assistance);
- support the development of integrated care and support services for individuals with complex needs, including people with learning disabilities, children with complex, 'high-end' emotional and behavioural needs and autism;

How much can organisations apply for?

Organisations can apply for a maximum of £10,000. There is no minimum.

What are the key priorities for the Capital Fund?

Proposals **MUST** demonstrate an alignment to **all** the following criteria:

• They must be for prevention or early intervention services or activities which improve the quality of life for people in Cardiff and/or the Vale. These will provide early support and prevent escalation of need.

- They must deliver services closer to home in their local communities to help prevent the need to access health & social care services in a more formal setting
- They must promote emotional health and wellbeing as well as prevent poor mental health.
- They must relate to capital expenditure.
- They must be for provision of services and activities in response to an identified need, in Cardiff and/or the Vale.
- They must build on community assets, local resources and mobilise volunteers to contribute to healthy and confident communities.
- This Fund is only available once for any new service and so applications must be able to demonstrate how the initiative will be able to be sustained following its use.

Match Funding

Proposals **MAY** demonstrate match funding, for example via the support of volunteers, in kind donations, funding from other sources. There is no requirement to have match funding, but demonstrating this may help to strengthen the application.

What type of projects can be funded?

This funding stream will support capital expenditure only.

Quotes for capital item expenditure **must** be included with your application. **Remember to include VAT where applicable.**

All funded projects need to be delivered, and the money spent, by the **31**st **March 2023.** Grants will be awarded on a one-off, non-recurring basis.

Examples of how the Capital Fund could be used

The funding **COULD** be used for the following (this list is not exhaustive and is intended as a guide only):

- Social inclusion services, such as capital items to support the setting up of a new lunch club, carer support, neighbour care, or a small scale community befriending service, operating within Welsh Government guidelines (applicable at the time).
- Improving access to services.
- Re-ablement and rapid response services to better meet demand.
- Equipment for providing warm spaces/food
- Fitness equipment for activities older people/carers
- Towards the improvement of buildings to improve/increase provision of activities

The funding will not support:

- Retrospective projects.
- Capital expenditure on vehicles.
- Any revenue costs, such as venue hire, tutor costs, salaries, expenses, day to day running costs etc.
- Therapeutic interventions which are not evidenced based.
- Funding beyond the end of March 2023

Who can apply?

To be eligible for this funding, groups or organisations must:

- Be a member of GVS and/or C3SC, see below.
- Be based in, and support people in Cardiff and/or the Vale of Glamorgan.

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- Demonstrate that the grant is clearly to the direct benefit of the residents and communities of Cardiff and/or the Vale of Glamorgan.
- Be a non-profit distribution organisation or social enterprise, reinvesting any surpluses to further the social purpose of the organisation.
- Be non-party political.

Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) and Cardiff Third Sector Council (C3SC) are membership organisations and encourage all voluntary and community organisations based in the Vale of Glamorgan and Cardiff to become members. Becoming a member helps us to provide comprehensive and responsive support to the voluntary sector. If you are not a member, and would like to join, please contact GVS by email enquiries@gvs.wales or C3SC by email enquiries@gvs.wales or C3SC by email enquiries@c3sc.org.uk

How to apply?

The Third Sector Capital Fund is open for applications from Friday 6th January 2023, with a deadline for submission of 12pm on Friday, 27th January 2023

Application forms are available from Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) by e-mail to Ceri Venners at GVS on enquiries@gvs.wales Organisations must use the application form provided and submit to the specified deadline

What must be included with the application?

- Supporting quotes
- A governing document, eg constitution, Memorandum and Articles of Association
- A copy of the most recent bank statement in the name of the organisation applying

Applicants may also be asked to provide any governance information as requested by GVS, eg policies, accounts etc.

Application forms and associated supporting material must be submitted electronically to Ceri Venners at GVS on enquiries@gvs.wales

Assessment of applications – initial check

All applications will be subject to an initial check, by GVS, for eligibility to apply and that relevant supporting documents have been submitted (see section "Who can apply?" and "What must be included with the application?" in this guidance). All applicants will receive notification, by email, of progress at this point.

Organisations which submit applications to the deadline, but which have missing information, will be contacted by email, notified that their application is incomplete, and will be required to submit the relevant information by the deadline.

Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

Capital Fund Virtual Panel

Applications which are determined to be eligible will be considered by a Capital Fund Virtual Panel comprising of Panel members who are external to GVS, and C3SC. The final decision will be made by the Panel and there is no appeals process.

Applications will be scored using the information provided on the application form, with particular attention to:

- Alignment to the Fund criteria as outlined in this guidance.
- Impact of the service or activity.
- Number of beneficiaries and proposed outcomes.
- Evidence of good organisational governance.

Successful applications

Successful applicants will be required to sign that they agree to the terms and conditions of the Fund, which include:

- Completion of the project to timescales specified in the application.
- Fund to be spent by the 31st March 2023
- Completion of a summary monitoring and evaluation report to be returned by 21st April 2023.
- Submitting proof of spend evidence, eg invoices, receipts.
- GVS may withhold or request repayment of the Fund in the event of any failure to comply with the terms and conditions.

If you have an idea for an activity or project, for support and advice on applying for funding, or for help with governance, please contact the following:

Lani Tucker, Health and Social Care Facilitator Or Ceri Venners, Administration Officer Glamorgan Voluntary Services, Barry Community Enterprise Centre, Skomer Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan

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