



Winter Pressures Fund

The Winter Pressures Grant Fund will aim to directly fund local activity that can help to alleviate pressures, create additional capacity/activity, or extend existing activity where other funds are running out.

Purpose of the Winter Pressures Fund

Grants will support not for profit organisations working at a local community scale in Wales and can be between £500 - £5,000. This fund is primarily focused on revenue funding; however, your funding request can contain costs for purchases of smaller 'capital' equipment including consumables (for example PPE).

The Winter Pressures Fund is not prescriptive, the fund is responsive to the needs of voluntary sector service deliverers.

Projects are invited to apply under the following priorities:

- Mental health
- Physical health
- Fuel poverty
- Community Transport
- Food security

Activity can be funded for delivery up to 31 March 2022. It is anticipated that activity will begin as soon as award of the grant is made, if you would like a deferred start date, please contact us ahead of submission.

Is your organisation eligible to apply?

Your organisation can apply if:

- It is a Third/voluntary sector (not-for-profit) organisation and is independent of government, private and public sectors:
 - Registered charity
 - Constituted group
 - Community Interest Company
 - Charitable Incorporated Organisation
 - Company limited by guarantee

- Company limited by shares where all shares are held by one of the above (i.e. wholly owned social business subsidiary of a Charity)
- Industrial and Provident Society (IPS) in the form of a Community Benefit Society (BenCom)
- Financial Mutuals
- The funding will be for activities/services/communities in the Vale of Glamorgan
- Your organisation has at least 2 authorised signatories
- Your organisation has its own bank account or an account in the name of the 'Trustees of [name of organisation]'

Your organisation cannot apply if you are:

- A political organisation
- A statutory organisation
- A private organisation
- An individual

All funding requests must be solely for activity in the Vale of Glamorgan

What cannot be funded

- Grants will not be awarded retrospectively i.e. for costs already incurred prior to the receipt of the grant offer letter and signed terms and conditions.
- Where there are other Welsh Government grants available for specific activities, it is expected that they will be accessed where possible, rather than The Winter Pressures Fund.
- Proselytising activities

Request process

1. You will complete the brief application form outlining the purpose of your funding request, ensuring it is in line with the grant aim.
2. Application forms and a copy of a recent bank statement and your governing document must be emailed by the deadline of 14th December to Ceri Venners at GVS ceri@gvs.wales . Any applications submitted after this date will not be considered for funding
3. Requests will be reviewed by an Assessor and if there are any queries you will be contacted.
4. The Grants Panel will meet early January and successful applicants notified soon after
5. Notification of funding via Grant Offer Letter and payment via BACS