

The London
Community
Foundation



NWDA

Health Inequalities
Community Fund for
Lambeth

Fund guidelines 2023

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About the Fund

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted and increased inequalities across South East London (SEL) particularly in certain groups such as older people, people living with one or more long-term conditions or disabilities, those from Black, Asian and Multi-Ethnic communities, those living in areas of deprivation, and key workers. These inequalities manifest themselves in un-equal access to help, support and services, and inequalities in health and wellbeing.

Lambeth Council have been awarded inequalities funding by SELs Integrated Care System to establish a programme of work to address and tackle health inequalities within local communities and improve outcomes for all.

These guidelines outline the fund criteria and tell you how to apply. The Neighbourhood Wellbeing Delivery Alliance (NWDA) Health Inequalities Community Fund is managed by The London Community Foundation and is open to proposals for work taking place in Lambeth.

The deadline for applications is **midday on Monday 19th June.**

Fund criteria

Grants between £10,000 and £15,000 per year are available to support work which reduces health inequalities by engaging residents in conversations about improving health and wellbeing while building trust with the health and social care sector. **Projects must be completed by 31st March 2024.**

Priority will be given to projects which target:

- People living in poverty
- People from a Black, Asian and Multi-Ethnic Background
- Marginalised communities
- People living with disabilities
- Older people
- Children and young people
- LGBTQ+ people
- Pregnant people
- Carers and housebound people

Applications must clearly be about reducing health inequality and should meet at least one of the following priorities:

- Encourage Lambeth residents to engage in health and wellbeing initiatives
- Target and improve the health and wellbeing of those with protected characteristics
- Support residents to access the wider range of health and wellbeing offers within the community (such as Grassroot Projects, Thriving Communities, Lambeth Together Health and Wellbeing Bus, Project Smith)
- Understand what residents feel is important for them for their own health and wellbeing,
- Engage with those communities who are most mistrustful of the health and social care sector
- Explore how residents would like health services to engage with them on areas such as screening, health checks, vaccination etc.
- Provide health and wellbeing advice and signpost to local services

Applicants may be based anywhere, but the funded work must benefit communities in Lambeth. Applicants must demonstrate good local knowledge and should be able to demonstrate local networks or partnerships. The fund will consider applications which bring approaches to Lambeth that have been successful in other boroughs with similar demographics.

We encourage all projects to include activities that focus on and support residents in healthy living, this could include elements from one or more of the following:

- Importance of Blood pressure awareness and blood pressure management
- Healthy Weight
- Smoking reduction
- Alcohol awareness
- Good mental health
- Chronic pain support
- Cancer screening
- Vaccination confidence
- Social connection

- Or any other topic that addresses health inequalities

In order help give guidance around activity that could be embedded in projects to address health inequalities we have compiled a health outcomes framework [here](#).

Examples of the types of activities that funded projects might deliver include:

- Webinar
- Workshop or hub
- Pop up event
- Conversation or learning sessions
- Walking or fitness group
- Advice sessions
- Surveys or focus groups
- Creative project

Grant size

You can apply for between £10,000 and £15,000.

There is total budget of £160,000 available, £25,000 of this is ringfenced for projects taking innovative approaches to working with Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority residents.

This fund supports "[full cost recovery](#)", this means that you can apply for the direct costs involved in delivering your project and a proportionate share of your organisation's overheads (the cost of rent / utilities / core administration staff etc. for the whole organisation).

Timeline

Successful applicants will be notified by 1st August 2023. Projects must be ready to mobilise as soon as possible after this date. **All project must be completed by 31st March 2024.**

Monitoring requirements

Funded projects will be required to:

- Provide brief monthly monitoring returns directly to Lambeth Council
- Attend monthly check-in meetings alongside other organisations taking part in the programme
- Complete an end of grant monitoring form in April 2024
- Provide a minimum of one case study per project (including images and/or videos)

Who can apply?

The fund is open to:

- Constituted community groups and resident groups
- Registered charities
- Companies limited by guarantee

- Community Interest Companies (CICs) Limited by guarantee
- Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs)

Applicants must:

- Be based in, or support people living within London
- Have a management committee/board of directors/trustees of **at least three** unrelated people
- Have a **signed** constitution or other relevant governance document
- Have a bank account under the name of the group with **at least two** unrelated signatories
- Have Annual Accounts or an Income and Expenditure Sheet for the post recent financial period
- Have a Safeguarding Policy dates reviewed within the **past two years**

Closing date for applications

The deadline for completed applications, including all supporting documents is midday on Monday 19th June.

What cannot be funded through this programme?

The following types of organisation are not eligible:

- Companies limited by Shares (including CIC limited by shares).
- Statutory organisations, such as local authorities.
- NHS bodies.
- Co-operative Societies
- Commercial organisations

The grant funds cannot be used for:

- Grants to individuals
- Activities that promote religious or political views
- Purely commercial ventures (for profit)
- Spending that has already taken place (i.e. retrospective funding)
- Individual sponsorship or redistribution of a grant to individuals or other organisations
- Activities where people are excluded on the basis of religion, sexual orientation, gender or ethnicity (unless the issue is group-specific)
- Mainstream activities and statutory requirements of hospitals and medical centres (including NHS Trusts), universities, colleges and schools (unless out of school activities)
- There must be no personal benefit attached to the grant

The following are not eligible to apply:

- Organisations that have had two concurrent years of late submissions to Charity Commission/Companies House within the last two completed financial years
- Organisations that have had two years net current liabilities within the two most recent completed financial years

- Organisations where Trustees are paid - unless evidence of approval is provided from the Charity Commission and/or this arrangement is referenced in the governing document
- Organisations with overdue or incomplete monitoring on a previous grant from The London Community Foundation and / or Lambeth Council

How to apply

To apply for a grant, click on the following link:

<https://ukcf.secure.force.com/forms/LondonCF/NWDAHealthInequalityCommunityFund>

You also need to submit all your supporting documents by uploading them at the end of your application form. We regret we are unable to consider incomplete or late applications.

Supporting documents you need to submit are:

- A copy of your **signed** governing document, i.e. Memorandum and Articles of Association or Constitution
- A copy of your most recent signed annual accounts or a current/forecasted income and expenditure sheet for new organisations
- A copy of your safeguarding policy– this must have a date showing that it has been reviewed in the past two years.

We regret we are unable to consider incomplete or late applications, so, please ensure you submit everything by the deadline of **midday on Monday 19th June.**

If you have any questions please contact sam@londoncf.org.uk ahead of the deadline.

What happens next?

What happens after you have applied?

We may contact you to discuss your ideas by phone or email. You should hear the outcome of your application by 1st August 2023. **You should be ready to start delivering as soon as possible this date.** If you are awarded a grant, you will have until March 2024 spend it.

Successful applicants

If your application is successful, you will be required to:

- Credit support from Lambeth Council and The London Community Foundation on all materials related to the funded work (logos will be provided);
- Complete your spending by 31st March 2024. Projects may be short than this time but may not exceed it
- Complete monthly monitoring returns and complete an end of grant monitoring form within four weeks of completing your grant
- Provide at least one case study of an individual supported and photos / video showing project delivery
- Maintain financial records for all grant spending
- Be available for a monitoring visit by The London Community Foundation or Lambeth Council

Living Wage Friendly Funder

The London Community Foundation is now a Living Wage Friendly Funder. This scheme, run by the Living Wage Foundation means that The London Community Foundation will actively encourage and support applications from organisations willing to pay staff the Living Wage (currently £11.95 per hour in London), or higher. You can learn more about The Living Wage by clicking [here](http://www.livingwage.org.uk/what-living-wage). (<http://www.livingwage.org.uk/what-living-wage>).

Key application dates

Tuesday 23rd May



Monday 19th June.



1st August 2023



31st March 2024

Applications open



Application deadline @ midday



Decisions released – projects can begin



All project must be completed

Need help?

Join a briefing at 11am on Wednesday 7th June

The London Community Foundation is hosting an online session for groups and charities to learn more about the fund and ask any questions. This will take place on **Wednesday 7th June at 11am.**

Find out more including how to register at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nwda-health-inequalities-community-fund-qa-tickets-640584855547>

Get in touch

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to discuss your proposal prior to making an application if you need help with completing the form or providing the supporting documents.

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