

Nithsdale Area Committee Anti-Poverty Grant Funding Priorities, Eligibility & Criteria 2020/2021

1. To be eligible for this funding, any applications must demonstrate their projects and services directly contribute to our Council's Anti-Poverty Strategy and it's Objectives.
2. Applications will only be accepted from Constituted Organisations.
3. Applications are welcomed for new projects and also from innovative projects which organisations wish to develop which will further support their clients to escape from poverty.
4. Applications will be welcomed from organisations which have not previously been funded from Nithsdale Area Committee.
5. Applications should clearly demonstrate how their project will make a positive outcome to the individuals and families which it will support and the different which it will make to their lives over the course of the project delivery.
6. Applications for collaborative projects will be welcomed. This is defined as at least two different Constituted Groups working in conjunction to deliver the service as described within the Application Form.
7. Applications will only be accepted for projects which will be delivered within the Nithsdale area. Organisations wishing to deliver multi-area project must apply for funding within these identified areas. Applicants must demonstrate within their application how they will deliver the project within the Nithsdale area if this is the only area which will receive funding.
8. The priorities for funding for 2020/2021 are detailed below:
 - Digital Connectivity
 - Food Insecurity
 - Increasing Dignity & Self Esteem
 - Supporting Independent Living to vulnerable / pre vulnerable clients to help them to stay within their own homes
 - Transport
 - Upskilling / Employability
9. 100% of the project costs for an application will not be considered. Organisations should secure or provide evidence of a percentage of the funding which will be provided by another funder.

10. Organisations must demonstrate how their project will continue after this one year funding has been provided.
11. Applications for projects which support other anti-poverty support projects / services will also be welcomed (e.g. Foodbanks providing funding for Fuel Cards for their clients to cook their provisions).
12. There is an upper limit of £10,000.00 for single organisation applications and £20,000.00 for collaborative projects applications.
13. Projects will not be funded which are currently being delivered by Dumfries & Galloway Council, the NHS or jointly with additional partners through the Integrated Joint Board (IJB).
14. The Nithsdale Area Committee will make the final decision on the amount of funding which will be granted to each project.
15. Applications from religious groups will be considered for projects which do not include religious activities.
16. Applications will be monitored throughout the term of the project delivery and must agree to the conditions of the Monitoring arrangements upon signing the Grant Agreement Acceptance Forms. This includes the completion of Client Case Studies highlighting the positive outcomes made by their project which will accompany the submission of their Monitoring Reports.
17. All successful grant applicants must agree to attend at least one networking event held by Dumfries and Galloway Council and Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway throughout the term of the project.