**ARTS FOR HEALTH & WELLBEING FUND**

**APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

**How Arts for Health and Wellbeing fit into the wider Social Prescribing context:**

Social Prescribing is a**holistic approach to healthcare** that brings together the social and medical models of health and wellness. It provides a formal pathway for health providers to address the diverse determinants of health, using the familiar and trusted environments of GP practices, health visitors and other primary care professionals to refer people to a range of local, non-clinical services.

In Wandsworth, two providers are already offering Social Prescribing programmes: Enable Leisure & Culture and Surrey Physio. Wandsworth’s Arts and Culture Service are now seeking to complement those programmes with a cultural offer, in partnership with Wandsworth Public Health and Wandsworth Integrated Care System.

**The Arts for Health & Wellbeing Fund**

The Arts for Health & Wellbeing Fund aims to support projects that will use arts & culture to address health & wellbeing issues in community settings, addressing barriers to engagement and equality and enabling people to play an active part in their care.

Although referrals can come through a variety of community settings and self-referrals, participation must be open to new referrals from professionals working in primary care settings, such as GPs, practice nurses and link workers.

The Arts for Health & Wellbeing Fund will be awarded in 2 stages:

* Stage 1: projects that take place in the North of the borough Deadline for applications: **6th October 2022**
* Stage 2: projects that take place in the centre and South of the borough Deadline for application: **28th November 2022**

The Arts for Health & Wellbeing Programme is funded and managed by Wandsworth Council.

**Awards**

You can apply for awards between £500 and £10,000.

Please note that you will be required to share the evaluation report of a previous project in order to be eligible to apply for more than £5,000.

Awards can be used either to commission a new activity or support the capacity and reach of an existing activity, as long as said activity benefits Wandsworth residents.

Awards cannot be used as match-funding for Wandsworth Grant Fund.

**Who can apply?**

Applications are open to organisations, partnerships and individuals that demonstrate how they meet the criteria of the grant, provided they have a registered business account.

The proposed activity must take place between November 2022 and April 2024 and be fully budgeted.

The fund is unable to support profit making ventures, fundraising activities and capital. For the full list of items the Council is unable to fund, please refer to the Terms & Conditions.

Applicants do not have to be based in Wandsworth. However, the proposal must take place in the borough and directly benefit Wandsworth residents.

Applicants who were awarded WGF monies or a WAF grant in the past 3 years but failed to produce an evaluation report may not apply.

**Strategic Priorities**

Applications should demonstrate quality arts content and articulate how their desired health outcomes meets one or more of the following strategic priorities, as defined by Public Health:

* Mental Health, linked to suicide, social isolation and dementia
* Long term conditions like diabetes, cardiovascular disease and falls
* Lifestyle and behaviours: healthy eating and physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption
* Air quality and Climate change
* Cancer screening and immunisation

**Priority Areas**

Priority areas have been identified via the Greater London Authority’s Wellbeing Probability Scores as follow:

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| **Phase one : projects that are already running or ready to start straight away** | **Phase two: activity running between January 2023 and April 2024** |
| * Falconbrook
* Shaftesbury & Queenstown
* Roehampton

+ the Nine Elms Opportunity Area (Wandsworth section) | * Tooting Broadway
* Tooting Bec
* Furzedown
* Wandle
* South Balham
* Trinity
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**Assessment criteria**

* Artistic quality
* Strategic fit: does your proposal take place in at least one of our priority areas? Does your project address at least one of our strategic priorities? How so?
* Deliverability: project timeframe, partners, venue and collaborators
* Impact: what will be the health outcome of your activity? who will benefit from your project and how so? How will you measure it?
* Value for money

Note: Wandsworth Council reserves the right to prioritise proposals that fill existing gaps in provision.

**How to apply**

You will need to complete an application form and submit it electronically to Lelia.Greci@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk, together with your Safeguarding and Equalities policies and procedures, by 10am on deadline day.

**Please use subject line: Arts for Health & Wellbeing application – Phase 1 or 2**

If you are applying for more than £5,000, please attach the evaluation report of a previous project to demonstrate your track record and evaluation practice.

Feel free to attend one of our Q&A sessions and/or email with specific questions once you have started working on your application. Specific dates for each phase are provided below.

**Application outcomes**

You will receive an email informing you of the outcome of your application within 30 days of the application deadline.

If you were successful, you will be requested to send within 7 days:

* your organisation constitution;
* your most recent accounts;
* your equal opportunity policy;
* relevant safeguarding policies and procedures;
* a relevant and exhaustive risk assessment for your activity.

Upon receipt of all required documents, you will receive a contractual formal offer letter which you must sign and return, together with your invoice, within 14 days of your initial outcome email.

80% of the grant will be paid on receipt of the signed letter and the fulfilment of any special conditions; the remaining 20% will be paid upon receipt of a satisfactory report.

All activity must be completed by 5th April 2022 and evaluation must be received by 1st May, so that final payment can be made before 1st June 2024.

**Key dates**

Phase 1:

20/09/22 Phase 1 of Arts for Health & Wellbeing Fund opens

27/09/22 at 2pm Introduction to the fund and Q&A session

27/09/22 at 5pm Deadline for questions

6/10/22 at 10am Deadline for Phase 1 applications

20/10/22 Funding outcome

Phase 2:

15/11/22 Phase 2 of Arts for Health & Wellbeing Fund opens

17/11/22 at 11am Introduction to the fund and Q&A session

22/11/22 at 5pm Deadline for questions

28/11/22 at 10am Deadline for Phase 2 applications

16/12/22 Funding outcome

Phase 1+2:

05/04/2024 All funded activity has been delivered

01/05/2024 Evaluation deadline

01/06/2024 Final invoicing deadline