



**Spring 2024 Partner Organisations**

<p><b>Outkast Panda Crew C.I.C</b></p>	<p>Outkast Panda Crew is a Community Interest Company which provides young adults aged 14-24 who derive from social poverty and disadvantaged areas an opportunity to learn vehicle maintenance that will guide them onto a path to gain apprenticeships and employment. We take a preventative approach to anti-social behaviour, engaging with young people early and helping them to avoid a life of crime, offering support and encouragement to be the best they can be. We are not just catering for those already involved in crime but also those at risk of becoming involved whether through a lack of opportunities, being excluded from mainstream school or boredom. We are helping young people build confidence, make new friends and supporting those with mental health problems too. Alongside our main delivery, we embark on some ambitious projects that put to the test the skills learned, in real world applications.</p>
<p><b>Ignite Life</b></p>	<p>Ignite Life is dedicated to providing crucial support to marginalised and disadvantaged children and young people in Bristol and South Gloucestershire. Our organisation collaborates closely with the community, schools, local organisations, and charities to address the needs of these families who often have nowhere else to go. Our primary services include professional counselling, personalised 1:1 mentoring and food support. With this funding, we will be supporting young people who cannot have their needs met in a mainstream education setting, who have faced multiple complex adversities and who require more 1:1 care for them to reach their potential and achieve a positive future. Our mentoring establishes goals with our young people and then provides a 3 hour session which includes travel, a meal and an activity which works towards these goals. This could be re-engagement with education, work based placements, learn life and social skills, and more.</p>
<p><b>Parallel Youth Enterprise</b></p>	<p>We are a voluntary organisation which enjoys a remarkable partnership with the Metropolitan Police. Together we deliver crime diversion summer activities for young people who live in areas of urban deprivation, violence, and crime. Throughout the year we, the PYE charity, plan, prepare, and raise the funding for two summer camps ready for them to be delivered and staffed by Met Police Schools Officers and other support personnel. The projects, at Lambeth and Wandsworth, are available to 250 young people over 4 weeks. Each site will have 14 varied workshops, the themes of crime diversion, gang, drug, knife awareness and fostering good citizenship feature in many of the workshop activities. Each will also have over 50 off site trips NHS recommendations are that young people aged 5 to 18 should have 60 minutes of moderate or vigorous physical activity a day. This we fulfil through a day long sports programme.</p>
<p><b>Educating Individuals Empowering Families</b></p>	<p>EIEF are a family intervention service in Hampshire who offer specialist support to the more vulnerable and harder to reach communities. We work with the whole family to ensure the work we do is understood and the foundation created can build for a brighter future. In order for families and young people to thrive we must provide the tools to give each person a fair go. At EIEF we know one size does not fit all and we use our community of specialists to adapt interventions based on family needs. For example, giving the family resilience tools is great, but in order to continue to maintain healthy mental health we need to look at welfare and wellbeing including physical health, safety, relationships, access to services and their environment.</p>
<p><b>ReconnectEd</b></p>	<p>ReconnectEd aims to contribute towards a more inclusive society which allows every child to achieve their potential. The ReconnectEd pupils are all 'facing adversity' due to the negative consequences of Adverse Childhood Experiences, trauma or deprivation which severely impacts their mental health and their ability to cope with life. Our programme is based in the second most deprived ward in Sheffield, which is a national cold spot for serious youth violence and school exclusion. ReconnectEd addresses the root causes of school exclusion by delivering an early intervention trauma-informed emotion coaching programme to children with multiple vulnerabilities so that we can help them to reach their potential by strengthening their wellbeing and resilience. In partnership with local schools, we recruit and upskill local people, with 'lived experience' of the issues facing the children. Our Coaches work intensively with a targeted group of children daily and for up to 3 years.</p>

<p><b>QPA in the community CIC</b></p>	<p>QPA predominantly work with young people from lower socio economic groups. This group needs a lot of attention and funding because parents often struggle to enrol their kids into external clubs or activities due to having low funds, we are here to allow those that would struggle be able to enrol and enjoy the same sessions, advice, mentorship and opportunities other kids would for free. This work also helps deter them from getting involved in crime and therefore lower the crime rate within the targeted area. We will also focus on refugees, kids struggling at school and kids with learning difficulties. Last year we managed to engage with 105 new young people through out the year in the numerous project we ran. These sessions are based in Kennington which is based within the IMD areas 1-3. All our staff members are local and come from the same backgrounds.</p>
<p><b>Buddy Up</b></p>	<p>Buddy Up is a charity designed to offer mentoring to young people identified by schools that would benefit from some one to one support from an experienced youth worker and mentor. It was set up in August 2020 after a need was identified amongst the young people in the community. With young people returning to schools after an unprecedented pandemic, many schools were reporting an increase in anxiety amongst their young people, a reduction in confidence and some struggling with attendance. For three years, Buddy Up has been delivering in schools across Surrey. As they have seen the success in their students, referrals from them have increased and we are now delivering in a large number of schools across the county. To date we have delivered over 1000 hours of mentoring with the average score given by young people - on completing the mentoring - 9 out of 10.</p>
<p><b>Cherwell Theatre Company (CTC)</b></p>	<p>For 20 years CTC have created environments where young people (YP) can be themselves, make new friends, unlock and fulfil their potential. Participants learn new skills from vocal technique to visual arts and playwrighting, develop their social and team-working skills, increase confidence and drive change in their communities. We work in 6 Banbury wards within the 20% most disadvantaged in the UK, sustaining free, weekly partner-delivered workshops for targeted communities: • Let's Play Project (provision for YP with disabilities) • Banbury Mosque (Muslim families who identified barriers for their YP in accessing arts opportunities) • Style Acre (adults with disabilities) • The Hill Centre (early intervention for YP at risk of 'county lines' exploitation) • Connections Support (refugee families) Funding will benefit Afghan and Syrian refugee families, who attend weekly CTC art/textiles/creative writing workshops in Banbury. YP access a safe-space, gain skills and better integrate by mixing and sharing ideas with other diverse CTC groups.</p>
<p><b>Townsend Youth Partnership</b></p>	<p>Townsend Youth Partnership exists in the heart of the KFC community, just 0.9 miles from the Castlepoint store. We are an autonomous, registered charity with YMCA Bournemouth as its sole Trustee. Youth Work takes place 3-times per week amongst destitution and deep poverty. Highly localised to the Estate, our youth work is accessible to all young people in the neighbourhood, from 5-18, up to 25 years of age for those with a disability. The neighbourhood is one of the 10% most deprived in the UK, according to LSOA data 2019. With multiple unmet needs young people are often part of families with history of harmful or challenging behaviour, or repetitive cycles of abuse, trauma, and neglect. We provide a safe space and trusted adults. Games, cooking and sports are all employed as a conduit for building positive peer-to-peer relationships; learning to work as a team; manage conflict and build confidence.</p>
<p><b>Champions Community Sport and Health CIC</b></p>	<p>Champions was established in September 2020, by our Director Craig Gilmore. Having delivered sport in the community for over 18 years, Craig identified that a large proportion of children/young adults in South Leeds whose families were struggling financially, didn't have the funds to join the more traditional paid for sports clubs, and consequently were becoming increasingly inactive, hungry and in some cases, involved in local gangs and anti-social behaviour. In response to this problem, Craig and Sam started to provide FREE turn up and play football sessions to the children and young people in the South Leeds area. Our aim is to make sport available to young people, who live in what is one of the most deprived, high crime areas of Leeds, irrespective of their age, ability and background. 98% of our attendees are of a BAME background, which reflects the diversity of the area. Young carers also attend.</p>

<p>Foundation Futures CIO</p>	<p>We are a specialist teaching and youth charity based in Byker and Walker. We support young people by providing safe places and safe faces to promote positive change. We work predominantly with young people who do not access other services, many are identified by community police teams as being at risk of criminal involvement, exploitation or who are already known to the Youth Justice System. We provide a club for 14-19 year olds they can attend 2 evenings a week (for 3 hours) for 48 weeks of the year. We also provide clubs for young people aged 5-10 and another for ages 11-14 across the week. We also work with extended families. These young people face multiple levels of disadvantage, often live chaotic lives, have been excluded or missing from school, are sofa surfing and/or are young parents.</p>
<p>Sunflower Lounge Ltd</p>	<p>Sunflower Lounge works with care experienced young people, care leavers and young people estranged from their families, particularly those at risk of homelessness and NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) and who are transitioning out of the care system and into living independently. Many of the young people we work with are fearful about what the future holds for them, and feel alone, isolated and struggle with mental health issues. We deliver personalised support and work to enable and empower the young people to believe in themselves and their futures in order to achieve their potential. We nurture the idea that their past doesn't define their future and sow the seeds for them to bloom in their own time in their own unique way. Our activities focus around the key areas of Wellbeing &amp; Healthy living, Independent Living Skills and Education &amp; Employment.</p>
<p>Evolve... Tackling the Impact of Substance Misuse</p>	<p>We would like to recruit 15 aged 11-18 young people across 3 deprived areas of the Wirral to become young person ambassadors, "Evolver's". We plan to recruit our ambassadors by delivering 12 age-appropriate preventative education and awareness sessions around Vaping, Substance Misuse, Volatile Substance Misuse (ketamine, nitrous oxide/laughing gas) &amp; County Lines in 3 different Youth Spaces. Our ambassadors will gain the knowledge and be trained to communicate the values and ethos of Evolve to their peers. They will support open days and fundraising events in these communities. We would like to facilitate this project during the school summer holidays. We would like to offer ambassadors an away-day for planning and 2 days for training &amp; 'incentives' as recognition for being part of our team i.e Rucksack, T-Shirt and to provide a tablet to each youth space group so they can, participate in training and plan events.</p>
<p>RE N-GAGE</p>	<p>RE N-GAGE launched in 2019 as Project TurnOver and re branded in November 2023. The programme leverages sports to cultivate resilience, motivation, and hope in students at risk of exclusion, gang involvement, drug abuse, violence, and opting out of school. Our flagship programme, STRIDE targets sports values as the foundation of our sport and mentoring programme. STRIDE - Sportsmanship   Teamwork   Respect   Integrity   Discipline   Enjoyment. We focus on support for young people who are at risk of being or who have been permanently excluded from school, are known to the police and are at risk for the School to Prison pipeline. Victor Hugo said "He who opens a school door, closes a prison." At RE N-GAGE, we know the reverse also holds - closing a school door on a vulnerable young person very often opens a prison door.</p>
<p>Screen Share UK</p>	<p>Screen Share UK supports young refugees with laptops, phones, tablets and digital skills. We are a small, dynamic charity. We have come across quite a few asylum seekers who want to learn how to refurbish technology so we are looking for funding to make this happen!</p>
<p>All Ears MHA C.I.C</p>	<p>All Ears was set up in 2020 in memory of Aleysha Rothwell who died by suicide aged 16 and is ran by her friend Amy, a qualified person-centred therapist with lived experience of mental health issues and suicide bereavement. Our main objectives are education, prevention and support for those dealing with issues surrounding their mental health. We are currently focusing on running art therapy workshops with care leavers in our community, offering a safe space for them to offload and showcase creative ways in which they can healthily process their emotions and experiences. We aim to help care leavers create and maintain positive relationships with each other and support them throughout difficult experiences</p>

	<p>using art therapy. We are also now currently offering 1:1 person-centred therapy sessions to care leavers and our long term</p>
<b>RiteTrax CIC</b>	<p>RiteTrax is a creative social enterprise based in Sheffield, established by musicians Michael Thompson and Adam Seymour in 2015. With experience of unemployment, poor mental health and the criminal justice system, the founders sought to address issues within the community they had lived through themselves. Our social mission is to provide an accessible, sustainable and supportive platform for grassroots, creative culture through the provision of inclusive and impactful events, workshops and interventions with aspiring and established artists, young people and vulnerable adults. Our professional grassroots music venue and studios Plot 22 is where we deliver our outreach projects teaching music technology, DJing and more to young people since 2018. Throughout this time we have built strong delivery partnerships with reputable young people focussed organisations including The Princes Trust, Reform Radio, Youth Justice Service, University of Sheffield, Sheffield Hallam University, Element Society, Staying Close, engaging 100s of beneficiaries along the way.</p>
<b>Prime active communities cic</b>	<p>PAC cic is a not-for-profit company; set up to provide high-quality, bespoke activities which benefit the community in particular children and young people, people not in education, training or employment, and other disadvantaged or targeted community groups in order to build skills and confidence to generate enhanced life opportunities. With over 40 years collective experience working with young people we have a track record of working in partnership to deliver high quality, creative youth engagement activities using film, drama, written word and music to those most at risk across the borough. Our organisation has the ability to engage young people in the community where other organisations fail, our experienced team are the link between the community, agencies and organisations. Over the past 12 months alone we have worked with over 6000 young people in Tameside, delivering a variety of innovative issue based projects and workshops.</p>
<b>Kids on Track</b>	<p>Kids on Track is a small charity that exists to improve social mobility and increase aspiration by providing an Enrichment Programme for disadvantaged children aged 9-16 living in Andover. The children have experienced domestic abuse, mental health problems and alcohol or drug dependency within their families. Coming to our holiday camps and after-school clubs gives them a break from the struggles they face and we try to give them a really good time. Some children require additional, focussed support due to excessive trauma, bereavement or other circumstances - they are invited to join our Mentoring Programme. We currently have nearly 100 children benefitting from the programme we have devised. A grant from KFC will enable us to increase the number of children we can help.</p>
<b>Aspire NI</b>	<p>Aspire NI was established in August of 2016 and exists to work with children in Northern Ireland in poverty to help close the educational attainment gap that exists between rich and poor. We do this through after-school homework programs, educational activities and creating a safe place for them to learn. With the work we provide we aim to: - Provide relationships that enable young people to recognise their skills and full potential. - Provide facilitators to encourage young people in education and help them to take ownership of their own education. - Help young people to learn outside of the classroom by providing fun-based educational activities outside of school hours.</p>
<b>Harmony youth project</b>	<p>Harmony Youth Project established in May 2001, providing activities, training and facilities ranging from IT, graphics, arts, music and issue based film making, to disadvantaged young people from Bolton and the Greater Manchester area. The aims of Harmony Youth Project are to "Provide equal opportunities and benefits to young people aged 8 and 25. We work with Local Authorities, Charities, Voluntary groups, Community Voluntary Services, Job Centre Plus, pupil referral units, schools and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and provide a safe environment for young people to advance grow and interact with other young people from a wide range of backgrounds and cultures in a positive manner. Harmony is totally relevant to the needs of the youth in today's difficult economic and social climate, targeting youth unemployment, homelessness, deprivation, failure to succeed in education, substances and alcohol misuse, negative stereo typing, bullying, hate crime/antisocial behaviour etc.</p>

<p><b>Fermanagh Fun Farm C.I.C</b></p>	<p>The funding will be used to deliver hands on farming experiences to young people, who are at risk of criminal records, to help reduce this and give them a positive outlook into employment through the farming / tourism industry - the two main employment areas for the area. This is a new product as the farm attraction is also open to the general public and schools to visit too. This new project will run mid-week when the farm is closed to the general public.</p>
<p><b>The Game Change Project</b></p>	<p>The Game Change Project (TGCP) is a community interest company, established in 2019 with the aim of improving the life chances of disengaged young people in Powys. Our life skills programmes "re-engage young people into life" by giving them opportunities to find their strengths and unlock their true potential. The programmes take place at Mid Wales Off Rd outdoor activity centre where young people take part in a range of outdoor activities including equine handling, animal care, digger driving, mechanics and rally karting. This grant will be used specifically to engage local teenagers involved in anti social behaviour and other low level offending. The project will bring about a new collaboration between TGCP the local community policing team so that we can continue to provide targeted support in the future.</p>
<p><b>CELLS Project CIO</b></p>	<p>The CELLS Project aim to educate children and young-people (CYP) about the serious consequences of crime and prevent initial and reoffending behaviours within our communities. We provide awareness, outreach, behavioural interventions and mentoring support for CYP and support for vulnerable adults and troubled families. Our work is delivered by rehabilitated ex-offenders and victims of crime/abuse, who offer lived-experience and are fully trained to guide, motivate and support CYP who are referred to us needing guidance to overcome issues and barriers. Team members are able to engage the CYP supported due to their relatability, being from their area and having overcome issues they face. Our work reduces offending and re-offending and enhances community cohesion. Gaining support from CELLS has yielded significant benefits for most of the young people that we have worked with and has led to noticeable improvements in their engagement, feelings of self-worth, and motivation to realise their potential.</p>
<p><b>Youth Resilience UK CIC</b></p>	<p>We support young people mostly in secondary school age who are experiencing mental health and wellbeing problems. We provide group work and 1to1 support to help them understand the barriers they face and build the resilience and resources to overcome these. We have spent the last 6 years support thousands of young people from deprived and disadvantaged backgrounds to have the skills and support to be able to achieve their full potential in life and have aspirations to do better. We work in schools and at community venues and recently have been offering crisis emergency support for people facing overwhelming challenges that can cause huge levels of stress and anxiety. We are a very small organisation and all of our staff live locally so fully understand the needs of the local young people we work to help.</p>
<p><b>Sheffield Alternative Provision for Education (SHAPED) Ltd</b></p>	<p>At Shaped we work with young people in crisis, supporting them towards a better future for themselves. Over the last 12months we have developed our offer of mentoring work with young people, and we have found that many of the young people in need of this are those either at risk from criminal exploitation or already with experience of the criminal justice system. Our mentoring work seeks to enable young people to build positive relationships with their mentor, from which they can focus together to build the young persons confidence, empowering them to make positive choices and enabling them to move towards future success. We believe that all young people should have the opportunity to fulfill their potential whatever their background and life experiences and we seek to support them to make wise choices for their future.</p>
<p><b>Billingham Boxing Academy CIC</b></p>	<p>We are an amateur boxing club who work with young people from ages 8 plus. We are situated in Billingham town centre and many of our members come from IMD 1 and 2 areas which are areas of high deprivation, anti social behaviour and socio economic deprivation. Many of our members come to us when they are struggling to engage in school and are at risk of engaging in anti social behaviour, gang association and at risk of being involved in violent crime. We use boxing as tool to provide mentoring and physical education to give young people the skills, knowledge and inspiration to make positive changes in their lives.</p>

<p><b>Positive Role Models CIC</b></p>	<p>Positive Role Models is a North London based community interest company, committed to supporting young people, so that they are empowered to be successful in education and in life. Our mission is to help create bright futures, regardless of race, gender, background or current circumstances. Through bespoke projects and workshops, that often combine the power of sport and peer-to-peer mentoring, Positive Role Models engages with young people under the age of 25, to raise their aspirations, so that they can clearly define their own ambitions and develop a wide range of skills and qualifications, that enrich every area of their life. The groups of young people we support, are children in care, refugee status, disadvantaged and living in poverty, at risk of engaging in crime or being victims of crime, girls effected by violence.</p>
<p><b>St Patricks youth club Keady</b></p>	<p>Keady is a small rural border town in South Armagh. It is deemed a town with limited resources and there is a high volume of poverty and need in the area. St Patricks youth club Keady provides a variety of youth work programmes for the young people in the wider Keady and district area. We work with children aged 7yrs to 18yrs. This includes targeted nights for our junior club; young men; young women and drop in provision within the youth club. There is a high risk of our senior members becoming young offenders. We have had incidents of violence, racial abuse and substance abuse in the town. To help combat this our targeted programmes have explored masculinity; femineity; violence and physical and mental fitness; online safety; training in OCN. This grant will help us in providing support and development for these at risk young people.</p>
<p><b>1125 C.I.C</b></p>	<p>Young people are educationally and economically disadvantage, with many having experienced homelessness and adverse childhood experiences. Many of our young people currently live in emergency accommodation and live in the top 15% deprived areas in Wales. Our beneficiaries struggling with education due to learning difficulties and poor mental health. They are 'NEET' or at risk of becoming long term 'NEET' and falling through the net meaning they will continue with generation poverty.</p>
<p><b>Ramsey Neighbourhoods trust</b></p>	<p>Ramsey Neighbourhoods Trust delivers two key youth projects which support young people living in the rurally isolated town of Ramsey in the Cambridgeshire Fens. We run a youth cafe on a Tuesday evening and a youth club on a Thursday evening, both are staffed by trained youth workers. A large section of the town falls below the national average in regard indices of multiple deprivation. This includes unemployment, lower educational qualifications, health issues etc. We work with the young people to give them opportunities they may not ordinarily get, we take them out on trips (public transport is poor), build-up their life skills and hope to raise their aspirations. Our youth workers are trusted by the young people, they are often the consistency in the young people's lives.</p>
<p><b>The London DJ &amp; MC Academy CIC</b></p>	<p>We at DJMC Academy have engaged over 100,000 young people since starting up the Academy in 2008. We work in pupil referral units and engage the hardest to reach young people in the art of DJ'ing, radio presenting, music production, singing and rapping. We have a state of the art DJ van that goes to estates in London and helps young people gain confidence to enable us to sign post them to safe spaces and see them progress and stay away from crime and violence. We take pride in employing within and 80 percent of our tutors where young people and now are mentors and pillars of the community. We work in children's home, with care leavers and every young person who may be struggling and hard to engage we strive to engage them and offer them qualifications and options to reach their potential in music and other creative arts.</p>
<p><b>Portadown Wellness Centre</b></p>	<p>This 10-week creative therapy program offers an opportunity for 8 young people(12-16) in socially deprived areas of Portadown struggling in the school environment. We work closely with schools &amp; community partners like St. Mary's Youth Club and the Edgarstown Residents Association. Engaging in activities like pottery or woodwork, participants find a unique avenue for self-expression and healing. These creative endeavors not only serve as outlets for emotions but also foster a sense of shared experience among the youth. Through collaborative efforts, the program creates a supportive environment where participants learn from each other's struggles and triumphs. This collective journey promotes empathy, solidarity,</p>

	<p>and mutual understanding, crucial for those navigating challenges like anxiety and low self-esteem. By integrating with community networks, the program not only addresses individual mental health concerns but also strengthens community bonds, offering marginalised youth in Portadown a sense of belonging and support vital for their well-being.</p>
<b>The Pod</b>	<p>We provide safe social spaces and opportunities for children and young people with additional needs, young carers, and their families. We are a member-led organisation that listens to the identified needs of our community and responds by working together to create inspiring, exciting, and innovative experiences with the people we support. We run a young carers group, Zone, and Pod Youth Club. We also run 6 other projects in Frome that support people with additional needs who would otherwise be socially isolated or at risk of exploitation. We work closely with the wider Mendip community and local organizations to promote youth and family support, including running a monthly Parent Carer group. Pod projects are well attended and we aim to expand our offer to Young Carers to increase their sessions should increased funding be secured. These projects are a lifeline that enables young people to have a safe social outlet.</p>
<b>Hale Community &amp; Youth Centre</b>	<p>Our youth centre provides support to local young people. We serve an area that lies within IMD 3 area and is in the lowest decile for young people and children. The opportunities for these young people are limited, and their aspirations are low. We provide a service that is there to support these young people. We have open access sessions and also sessions specific for different groups (young women/young men/different ages). We provide social and emotional support, we work with young people to develop their own levels of education both formal and informal, and we provide food in most of sessions as we know some young people do not have access to full nutrition. We also work with local agencies to be able to provide focussed activity sessions together with working to provide off site trips and opportunity to try different activities. We also link with local Mental Health Charities.</p>
<b>Winchester District Young Carers</b>	<p>Our charity supports children and young people aged 8-18 who care for a family member with a long term physical or mental illness, disability, or addiction to drugs and/or alcohol. We improve the lives of children and young people with caring responsibilities by providing safe, quality support to individuals and offering a holistic approach to the whole family. The number of young carers in the UK is increasing every year, and Winchester District is not an exclusion. These young people often face unique challenges, including emotional stress, isolation, and a need to balance their caring responsibilities with schoolwork and other activities. They are at risk of missing out on a proper childhood or adolescence, which can lead to negative outcomes in adulthood. These Programmes aim to meet the needs of these young carers.</p>
<b>new heights-warren farm community project</b>	<p>New Heights is a small community charity based in one of the poorest districts in Birmingham. In our charity we have a Youth Action Group which has been running for a number of years and this would be the group benefitting from this grant. These young people face all the challenges of living in a poor area- housing, unemployment, low educational outcomes, poor health outcomes. They have shown repeatedly that they have the power and strength to overcome these challenges. They are a very positive and focussed group. They have visited parliament and met their local MP. They are also involved in social action and help in providing meals and presents for the needy in the community. This year one of them is going on to university and she will be the first in her family to do so. This funding would help this group enormously.</p>
<b>Livestock</b>	<p>Livestock runs creative peer support groups and projects. The primary project is Mothers Uncovered, which has been running in the Brighton area since 2008. Mothers Uncovered helps participants reconnect with their pre-motherhood selves by providing creative peer support. Our activities are shaped and led by former participants, who have personal experience of the challenges brought by motherhood. These sessions encourage discussion amongst participants through the use of art, writing and mindfulness. The offshoots are: My Birth, a group for new mothers on the waiting list for NHS treatment to process birth trauma; Frazzled supporting parents who have a SEND child/ren, Teen Years for parents of older children and our new project, a Young Mums peer support group for women who are care leavers/in insecure housing. We want to support and train a young mum to create a group for her peers to share experiences of life as a young mum.</p>



<p><b>Dora Brown</b></p>	<p>Dora Brown is a grassroots organisation based in Ipswich, tackling a huge problem in the social sector. We are made up of a large team of volunteers who transform homes, free of charge, for families in crisis; homes broken down from domestic neglect, furniture poverty + hygiene poverty. We turn lives around: children who have no beds, no clean clothes, no sanitary products, no books, no toys... We make-over homes with clearance, deep cleaning, organising + self-care systems like bathing, laundry + cleaning We provide furniture, white goods, necessities + homely items that improve family wellbeing. In 2022 we helped 8 families and in 2023 we helped 31 families, our service is in demand! We prioritise families, with children under 18, where Child Protection Plans hinge on the state of the home. Hop on our socials for a peek at before'n'after images of homes that we have helped.</p>
<p><b>The Compound Wellingborough CiC</b></p>	<p>The Compound Wellingborough CiC supports young people in Northamptonshire through Calisthenics training and Music mentoring, based at The Hemmingwell community and skills centre in the heart in the community, we are located in an area of high deprivation and a high crime rate with youngsters at risk of joining gangs and getting involved in crime, we have been working with youngsters across Northamptonshire and from Hemmingwell Estate some referred into us by Schools, Police , youth offending service and Social care, Calisthenics training helps the youngsters with focus and discipline aswell as giving them a safe space surrounding by positive cocahes and mentors who have lived experiences we aim to build confidence promote a healthy lifestyle from a young age. We also provide a music mentoring service through a Studio we have built in the community centre allowing the youth to express themselves through song writing and producing.</p>
<p><b>Football Against dementia CIC</b></p>	<p>Established for nearly 7 years with a track record of helping people not all ages (see our history page on website). We have joined with a new CIC and moved to a town centre location. Our core pillars are Employment, Physical Activity and Community Support. Your grant would enable us to run a weekly 16-25 employment/volunteering group where we have employers attend and talk to young people who are looking to get into employment/volunteering learn about certain industries that employ young people and inspire/support them by providing tailored coaching sessions and ultimately sourcing suitable job interviews. We also provide FOC interview clothing, interview haircuts and food and essentials if required. We also offer a range of physical activities such as Nordic Walking and football sessions to help combat loneliness and help become active, which will be introduced at the sessions.</p>
<p><b>Teen Enterprise UK</b></p>	<p>Teen Enterprise is an organisation which provides encouragement and support to over 140 disadvantaged, male teens at-risk. Our beneficiaries are from marginalised communities in the deprived areas of Hackney and Haringey. These teenagers have suffered from Adverse Childhood Experiences and are at risk of offending due to their experiences. Grappling with depression and anxiety, they turn to drugs and crime to silence their pain. These boys have no access to the help they desperately need. Teen Enterprise seek to change this. With firm belief in every youths' potential, we work to unlock their latent talent, guiding them on a path to healing and helping them develop skills and capabilities so they progress into successful adults. We offer sports programs, overnight retreats, one-to-one mentoring and career counselling. Teen Enterprise is their safe haven in a hostile and confusing world- in our warm and growing environment, our boys find friendship and healing.</p>
<p><b>GoodWork</b></p>	<p>GoodWork creates equitable employment opportunities for young people from marginalised communities, while enabling employers to make the change needed for underrepresented talent to thrive. Our focus is on 18-25 year-olds across London who demonstrate the potential to do well in professional settings, but haven't attended university, or been able to navigate the job market on their own. Around half of the young people we support are underemployed rather than unemployed, but because they're not students or graduates the career support they need isn't accessible and what they can access isn't designed for their needs and aspirations. The power rests with employers to change the status quo, offering more equitable opportunities and proactively engaging candidates from a broader range of sources. We support them to design</p>

	<p>roles that our young people can thrive in, and we train and support young people to make successful and sustainable career transitions through our programme.</p>
<p><b>Punk Against Poverty</b></p>	<p>Path to Pay empowers young people from deprived backgrounds (age 16-25) by equipping them with the skills needed to succeed in work and to dream BIG! We pair training in job searching, CV and cover letter writing, interview preparation and skills, with actual work experience in our retail shop, giving valuable experience to add to a CV. We then spend time 1-1 exploring different workplaces and working out the steps needed to achieve participants dream jobs. Towards the end of the course we put skills into action by supporting participants to apply for jobs and have so far maintained our amazing 100% success rate of course participants going into paid work at the end of the programme, showing that with the right support, great changes can happen. Please help us continue changing lives by supporting this programme once again. Funding would enable 12 young peoples lives to be changed.</p>
<p><b>Kool Carers South East Ltd</b></p>	<p>Kool Carers South East Ltd is a specialist charity working with young carers aged 8-18 in Basildon and Brentwood Essex. Our provision includes fortnightly young carers groups, counselling, respite, mentoring and advocacy for young carers. We work with 157 young carers, delivering support, which helps them to develop life skills, supports their mental health and wellbeing, and improves their life chances. We encourage all our young carers to work towards achieving their aspirations. Our work is led by qualified social workers, experienced youth workers and qualified counsellors and our work is informed by the needs and experiences of young carers. Young carers tell us that they feel valued, accepted, less isolated and supported by our organization and funding from the KFC Youth Foundation will be focused on supporting our senior young carers.</p>
<p><b>The Sunnywood Project</b></p>	<p>This Grant will benefit our SPACE programme, which works with young people aged 12-16 years who are at risk of exclusion from school and criminal activities. The Sunnywood Project is a non-profit outdoor education and events provider. Combining arts and nature, we promote a love of the great outdoors through a variety of events and educational programmes stimulating a mentally and physically healthy lifestyle for those living in Bury and surrounding areas. We nurture individual confidence and resilience to equip participants with the transferable skills needed for success in life. Each of our educational programmes are carefully planned with the following aims in mind: To promote compassion, kindness and a positive society To encourage maintaining a physically and mentally healthy lifestyle To support the development of social skills and self-regulation of emotions To enable people to participate in society as mature, independent and responsible individuals To inspire challenging, but achievable personal goals</p>
<p><b>Peer2Peer Education CIC</b></p>	<p>Our project is a programme of one-to-one Peer Mentoring sessions for those aged 11-16 in Barking. These are provided by our Peer Educators, delivering 24 hours of support to those at risk of anti-social behaviour. We believe early intervention is key to supporting young people before progressing into criminal behaviour. Our Peer Educators are best placed to deliver this mentoring as they are of similar age and can relate to issues that young people face. As well as providing information, advice and support, they help them to understand that they are not alone and share tools and experiences to assist in rebuilding confidence and improve wellbeing. We engage young people in activities around self-confidence, managing anxiety, communication, conflict resolution and also signpost to external support. Funding from KFC will ensure those at risk have the opportunity to speak to someone with experiences to share, helping them to overcome their challenges.</p>
<p><b>Ashton Vale Club for Young People</b></p>	<p>Ashton Vale Club for Young People is a local community youth club, offering activities and support to local young people aged 8-19. We positively and sustainably impact young people's lives, encouraging social and personal development in a safe, fun environment. By providing consistent, high-quality youth provision, in a safe space that is embedded within its community, we contribute to the lives of the young people we work with. The club is situated in one of England's 30% most deprived neighbourhoods; we work with socioeconomically disadvantaged young people, young people from challenging home environments, and those who are vulnerable to risk-behaviours including Anti-Social Behaviour and crime. Over the</p>

	<p>last year, Ashton Vale Club for Young People has had 723 contacts with 84 unique young people. Our numbers have been slightly lower this past year as we had to close for a few months in 2023 to improve and maintain the club.</p>
<p><b>The Grove at Bedminster Down</b></p>	<p>The Grove at Bedminster Down is a local community youth club, offering a rich range of activities to local young people aged 8-19. We positively and sustainably impact young people's lives: assisting with their personal and social development through sports and creative activity; information and guidance, in a fun and safe environment. By providing consistent, high-quality youth provision, in a safe space that is embedded within its community, we contribute to the lives of the young people we work with. The club is situated in one of England's 40% most deprived neighbourhoods for income deprivation affecting children, and works with socioeconomically disadvantaged young people, young people from challenging home environments, and those who are vulnerable to risk-behaviours such as Anti-Social Behaviour and crime. Over the last year, The Grove at Bedminster Down has had 3204 contacts with 227 individual young people.</p>
<p><b>The Wee Haven Youth Project (The WHY Project)</b></p>	<p>We work with young people aged 11-17 in Wester Hailes, where many areas are in the 5% most deprived in Scotland. Crime and anti-social behaviour is a growing problem as the impact of rising food and fuel poverty has set in, leaving young people feeling more isolated and disillusioned with mainstream society. By providing youth groups 5 days per week, we aim to give young people a 'home away from home' where a safe space, positive adult role models and fun leisure activities such as sports, baking, arts and crafts, pool and computers are all on offer. In addition to these activities there are 2 core components to our sessions, the provision of hot meals, important with rising food poverty, and educational group work on issues such as anti-social behaviour, crime, drugs and alcohol, mental health and sexual health.</p>
<p><b>RISE UP</b></p>	<p>Our mission is to ensure that every young person is empowered by their potential and can use it to kick-start a career without limitations. Catering to ages 16 to 30, we offer comprehensive support, both via group sessions and personalised 1:1 guidance, to nurture their professional journey. Our focus has honed in on a concerning trend: an escalating influx of care leavers and individuals within the care system aged 16 to 25 seeking our assistance. Studies reveal a stark reality—care leavers in England are over ten times more likely to be NEET by the age of 21. Understanding the intricacies of this demographic, we aspire to leverage this grant for targeted initiatives. Through specialised one-on-one mentoring and tailored interventions, we aim not only to secure but also to sustain employment opportunities for these individuals, breaking the cycle of disadvantage and empowering them to thrive.</p>
<p><b>CHIPS (Christian International Peace Service)</b></p>	<p>CHIPS' activities in Brixton support young people in an area of high serious youth violence. Many of our young people are at risk of exploitation and the majority of them have direct experience with the criminal justice system - the rest have indirect experience through family or friends. Because of the deprivation in the area, many of our young people also fall into the groups of 'experiencing homelessness', 'young carers' and 'care leavers', but experience with the criminal justice system affects the majority. They also all have experience (direct and indirect) of serious youth violence.</p>
<p><b>Amble Youth Project</b></p>	<p>AYP's key target group are 8-18 years olds, living in a rural location, immersed within economic disadvantages, and face all the associated challenges and risks. Many share their lives with people involved in criminal behaviours, and who themselves are at risk of offending, or are already known to the criminal justice system. We provide a place where each can feel, and be, safe, and receive the fundamental support so each can "grow well and shine". This means providing the right environment and opportunities, to overcome personal barriers and help each to believe in, and reach for, their potential. This grant would enable us to keep our doors open on a Friday night specifically for 13-18 year olds, particularly at risk of offending, or are engaged in such behaviours, and provide them with their own space, time, and right support that can help improve their outcomes in life.</p>
<p><b>Beyond</b></p>	<p>Beyond provides essential mental health education and support to young people aged 4-25, focusing on barrier-free access. At places like Brookland Junior, we have provided crucial aid to young carers and those with acute challenges. We</p>

	<p>need to extend our support to schools on our waiting list, such as Marlborough Primary Academy, situated in a top 10% deprived UK area, where students face significant economic hardships. Westbourne Academy, with a high proportion of Pupil Premium students, serves an area in the lowest decile for social mobility, the students, including refugees and unaccompanied asylum seekers, face trauma and significant mental health challenges such as anxiety and depression. Our programme is essential to fostering resilience and success in these young lives aligning with the KFC Foundation's objectives. Beyond's early intervention and comprehensive ecosystem are designed to unlock potential and improve life chances. <i>with your support we can make a lasting difference</i></p>
Hartcliffe Club for Young People	<p>Hartcliffe Club for Young People (HCYP) provides activities for young people (YP) between the ages of 4-19 with a particular focus on YP aged between 13-19. Hartcliffe and Witherwood, is generally recognised in Bristol as being one of, if not the most deprived ward in the city. It consistently tops the charts with regards to poor deprivation, child poverty, education and jobs and economy rates. As such, we are engaging YP from families who are struggling to make ends meet. YP from these families face a host of challenges, such as boredom, disassociation with education and society often leading to high rates of ASB, crime and most recently knife crime. Our work revolves around signposting dangerous routes YP might be on the path towards, then attempting to divert them down safer, more positive ones. We aim to achieve this through providing; open-access youth provision, holiday clubs, residential and day trips.</p>
Sea Mills Boys and Girls Club	<p>Sea Mills' Boys and Girls Club is a local community youth club, offering a rich range of activities to local young people. We positively and sustainably impact young people's lives around five key pillars: helping young people aged 8-18 to feel confident, healthy, resilient, responsible, and successful. We believe every young person has the right to discover what they are capable of. By providing consistent, high-quality youth provision, in a safe space that is embedded within its community, we contribute to the lives of the young people we work with. The club is situated in one of England's 20% most deprived neighbourhoods which lacks community facilities. It works with socioeconomically disadvantaged young people, young people from challenging home environments, and those who are vulnerable to risk-behaviours such as Anti-Social Behaviour and crime. Over the last year, Sea Mills' Boys and Girls Club had 1380 contacts with 96 young people.</p>
B.A.C.E	<p>We support minority groups in the low income and most deprived area of Ladywood, Birmingham. We are situated near a gang culture area and work with young people to avoid getting into the criminal justice system. Young pregnancy and youth offenders are some of the individuals we provide activities for. We have developed a mentoring system, for our youth workers to support and nurture youth to healthier lifestyle choices. We provide a summer school to teach and build life skills. We provide recreational activities at no charge such as bowling and sports. We also have volunteers who commit to taking the youth to a summer camp to at a retreat centre for classes and mentorship to overcome life challenges. They leave equipped with life motto's, counselling services, advice and guidance and key youth workers assigned to them for as long as they need to access them.</p>
CommUNITY Little Hulton	<p>Current and potential members of YouthUNITY will benefit from this hiking project. These youngsters live local, they are a mixed group of youngsters with different ideas, ambitions, abilities, from different schools and backgrounds who come together as friends to share experiences and help in their community. As an organisation we support all ages and types of people in and around Little Hulton, we are a charity run by local people, for local people. Together we are making our area better for everyone. Ranging from support with the food club to wellbeing groups for all ages, 2 youth clubs, a baby group, forest schools, adult games group and 'It's Thursday'. Throughout the year we organise several events, at our Hub and at The Pavilion, Peel Park. We are rebuilding The Pavilion to be our fantastic new home and community space, it will be a place for us all to come together.</p>
Ourside Youth Association	<p>Ourside strives to empower young people, to develop their self-confidence and grow as individuals. Our ethos is genuine and strong. We work with the young people in our community to supporting them to believe in their own capabilities and grow their confidence. We aim to provide every young person with the capacity to be self-aware and independent. We</p>

	<p>encourage them to make their own decisions and to develop a future they wish for while creating a community through shared experiences and values. Our youth centre offers open access sessions and targeted work which supports young people including those at risk and with experience of the criminal justice system, our work also includes supporting young carers, neurodiverse young people and refugees. Recently we have seen an increase in the amount of young people we are supporting with low level mental health issues alongside those who are no longer engaging in education.</p>
<p>Home-Start Cambridgeshire</p>	<p>We offer support to families with at least one child under five, at times when they need us most. Family challenges could include parental mental health issues, isolation, disability, bereavement, multiple births, poverty, fleeing abuse, a lack of parenting skills and/or confidence. We operate across Cambridgeshire which has pockets of extreme deprivation, with the city of Cambridge being one of the most unequal cities in the country. Any KFC grant awarded would specifically be used to support young parents, (25 and under). Support could be in-home, within a group setting or via a specialist parent-infant psychotherapy service. Support would be tailored entirely to the needs of the family. A trusting, confidential relationship would be established, and over a period of up to six months, the young parents would be empowered with the skills, confidence &amp; emotional resilience to manage the demands of parenting whilst protecting their own health &amp; wellbeing.</p>
<p>Smart Works Leeds</p>	<p>Smart Works Leeds dress and coach unemployed women across Yorkshire for interview success. Our simple, effective service offers a career coaching session for women at any stage of job searching, and an interview preparation and clothing appointment when they have an upcoming job interview. All clients receive a working wardrobe once they secure employment. By March 2025, we want to support 1000 women annually. Inspired by our success during 2023 (supporting 165 women aged 16-25) we are appealing for your help again to be part of our mission to support 200 16-25 year olds within the next year. Your funding will contribute to the work of our Outreach Officer. With your support, part of her focus will be on outreach to the most vulnerable young women in our region seeking employment, partnering with care leavers programmes, homelessness prevention charities, organisations supporting refugees, young parents and those at risk of offending.</p>
<p>Woodpecker Wood CIC</p>	<p>Woodpecker Wood CIC exists to improve the life chances of young people, whose circumstances have led them to struggle to develop for adult life. It provides activities and experiences utilising the outdoors to deliver support and education. We aim to improve outcomes for young people and their families in terms of vocational skills, work experience, well-being, self-confidence and therefore lifelong prospects. Based close to Dover, we support more than 70 young people, each year, aged 16 - 25 who are living in areas of significant deprivation, 50% are living in/ leaving care or are considered at risk, vulnerable or have experienced exploitation. We provide wrap-around, holistic, intensive support for young people who are living with disabilities, have struggled with mainstream education and require additional support to reach positive outcomes e.g. counselling, one-to-one mentoring, family support, advocacy for young people in care, skills development for employment and independent living and bespoke individual programmes.</p>
<p>Hebron Social Concern</p>	<p>Our whole project meets many needs of the community for all different age groups and social standing. Throughout the week we run a variety of groups for different ages kids club, a youth club and after-school drop in. We also provide support through music and mentoring to Brownhill Learning community &amp; pupil referral service for pupils who are out of mainstream school. The Falinge Estate, the 31st most deprived area in England. Over 50% of the adults on the estate are not in any form of employment, and almost 12,000 children in Rochdale aged from 0-15 years are estimated to be affected by income deprivation: the majority from working households. Poor educational attainment and a lack of role models, alongside poor aspirations, and no sense of purpose, has led to issues with gang culture and anti-social behaviour amongst young people on the estate.</p>
<p>I4YPC</p>	<p>I4YPC is a young people's charity committed to helping children stay in school and out of the criminal justice system. School exclusion is often the first step to this and through our lived experience mentoring programme and the Innit</p>

	<p>Creative Hub, we can help young people express themselves through the arts (art, drama and music). Through the Innit Creative Hub, we are able to develop young selling artists, offering them aspirations, and a sense of self-belief as well as helping the local economy by providing an income for the young artists. The young people are also able to come together in a safe space and create friendships with like-minded peers. This encourages them to become better citizens as they have more sense of responsibility to others and for themselves.</p>
Elimu	<p>Elimu is a careers and mentoring platform. We provide access to businesses, role models and opportunities for Black and Global Majority youth, primarily those at risk of becoming NEET or experiencing the criminal justice system. Through our relationship with Lewisham council, we support young people who have engaged with the Youth Offending Service and magistrates court. We offer a second chance by connecting them with businesses, role models and opportunities through the following services: - Career insights events - Mock interviews and CV development - Mentorship - Financial literacy workshops - Networking opportunities - Exclusive careers opportunities - Our 12-week Launchpad programme for aspiring entrepreneurs We work with corporate partners like JP Morgan, PwC and Venn Group to deliver our employability programmes, and our oversubscribed Launchpad programme pilot was funded by Nike, Nesta and Do It Now Now. However, we are reaching the end of our runway and need financial support to sustain our work and capacity.</p>
Making Space	<p>We are Making Space a vibrant charity supporting young people in a community where a third will grow up in poverty. Three wards are among the 10% most deprived with education levels amongst the lowest in the UK. This is against a backdrop of the third highest crime rate in the county and 11 suicides a year. Through the power of craft, making, mentoring, confidence building and the development of employability skills, young people can envision and realise a fulfilling, happier future, with opportunity and creativity, so that they can live and not just exist. We run craft clubs, workshops, outreach, workshops for young people with additional needs who cannot access mainstream activities, projects for young women in the highest areas of deprivation, sessions with asylum seeking young people, summer clubs. Partnering with councils, schools, community centres and other charities to deliver right into the heart of our community.</p>
Hangar Community Hub CIC Ltd	<p>We are based in a gym, and we support Young People who have experienced the Criminal Justice System. They may be already at-risk of homelessness, some are refugees, and others are leaving care. We do encourage all young people to join in our sessions. Our hope is to eventually integrate them into gym life as much as possible, as there's always a lot going on here. Lots of positive things. We also run a Community Food Pantry involving 21 volunteers and with over 1000 members. Our passion is employability and helping people make the best of themselves, hopefully by discovering their strengths and building their confidence. We post the latest news on our website at <a href="http://hangarhub.org">hangarhub.org</a></p>
Compass Collective	<p>Compass Collective is an award winning charity dedicated to supporting and empowering young refugees and asylum seekers in the UK. Through our diverse range of programmes, including English language classes, one-to-one welfare support, and a range of arts-led projects we have created a nurturing ecosystem that fosters resilience, inclusion, self-representation and leadership. Our approach is rooted in creativity and dynamism, offering a holistic pathway. We support young people for an extended period of time, from their arrival in the UK through to living a fulfilling life . All our work is planned and created in consultation and dialogue with the young people we work with. Our trustee board includes two members with lived experience of seeking asylum including one who arrived as a young person. We take feedback from every session and evaluate every project. We have now set up a Youth Board comprising six active young participants.</p>
Domestic abuse survivors	<p>Young people aged 13-23 a majority I mentor are within the social care system and have suffered sexual abuse and I work intensively with them on their self esteem and building positive healthy relationships to rebuild their lives going into adulthood giving them a high chance of a bright future. I work alongside children's social care and moving forward I'll be focusing on education more intensively aswell as those known to the youth offending team. When I have finished my work with the young people my support does not end and a working relationship is kept where they share positive achievements</p>

and also their worries and I help to offer support and guidance in helping them to make good decisions in their life. I often take them for lunch or help with the items they cannot afford to help make things easier for them! Brings me so much joy!

### Opportunity Sport

Founded in June 2011 working with young people (YP) in care, in disadvantage and homeless. OSF uses sport as a tool to engage YP, to educate, offer work experience, place back in education or help find employment. Providing YP with the tools needed to gain employment, creating a positive peer group, and reduce risk taking behaviour. OSF runs projects for YP who are cared for/leaving care, homeless, substance misusers and young offenders as well as targeting YP who are in danger of becoming involved in the above. YP are introduced to partner agencies with one of OSF's staff, so they feel comfortable attending. The benefits to participants over the last 12 years of OSF projects has been; -increased health, self esteem, -reduced isolation, -furthered education, -gaining employment, -management of finances, -have full time address OSF works with partners who specialise in problem areas, like homelessness, substance misuse, mental health issues