

Positive Future For Young People Fund (PFYPF) 2022-2024

Stage 1 - Expression of Interest (EOI) Guidance Notes

Thank you for your interest in the Positive Future For Young People Fund (PFYPF).

Please read this information carefully and in full before completing this form.

These Guidance Notes provide details on how we will assess applications and what to avoid when completing the Expression of Interest form. They also provide information about how we process successful applications.

Applicants are encouraged to contact us for clarification on points unanswered within the Guidance Notes, at pfyfp@southwark.gov.uk.

These EOI Guidance Notes are to assist you in making an initial Expression of Interest to the Fund. Proposals will be reviewed by the Positive Future For Young People Fund Programme Board which includes Youth Parliament members and council officers. The EOI Guidance notes should provide enough information for you to make an initial proposal.

Following the [Youth Review](#), which placed young people's voices at the heart of decision making, the council has adopted a new approach in the application process for funding under the Positive Future For Young People Fund (2022-2024), that consists of three stages with different closing dates:

| Positive Future For Young People Fund (PFYPF) | | |
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| PFYPF Grant | Opens | 23 rd August 2021 10:00am |
| Stage 1 – Expression of Interest | Closes | 17 September 2021 23:59pm |
| Stage 2 – Dragons Den Presentations | Held on | 11 – 13 October 2021 |
| Stage 3 – Application Form | Closes | 25 October 2021 23:59pm |

The Aim

The aim of the Positive Future For Young People Fund is to ensure that providers offer activity programmes that are informed and shaped by what young people want, as set out in the recent [Youth Review](#).

How much you can apply for

The minimum award is £10,000 per annum (i.e. a minimum of £20,000 over 24 months of this programme) and the maximum award is £30,000 per annum (i.e. a maximum of £60,000 over 24 months of the programme). Application requests must not exceed this amount. The council may offer a lower amount than requested following an assessment of proposal and budget.

Eligibility Criteria for EOI

We can only accept applications from organisations that are constituted, limited, a registered charity or under any other legal structure for an organisation e.g. family centres, Community Interest Companies (CIC), Tenant & Resident Associations (TRAs). If you do not fit into one of these categories, you could approach a local organisation to enquire whether they could support your application.

What we do fund

Funding is for activities only. We will fund activities that are delivered in a youth setting or adventure playground tailored to meet a specific outcome, for example, a health and well-being programme. Organisations will be required to clearly articulate what activities they are seeking funding for, and what outcomes they want to achieve:

- Core staff costs
- Revenue costs (e.g. salaries)
- Operational delivery costs
- Low value equipment costs (up to £1,000 – audio visual aids, sports equipment etc.)

What we do not fund

- One off events
- Private or profit-making companies
- Capital expenditure
- Political activities
- Duplication of projects
- Items purchased/unspecified expenditure prior to grant application
- General maintenance/overheads of facilities

What information do we ask at Stage 1 Expression of Interest (EOI)?

- How much you are applying for
- Details of your organisation
- A brief description of the project you are applying for
- What outputs and the outcomes you aim to achieve

A New Approach – Positive Future For Young People Fund (PFYPF)

There is a three stage application process in applying for the Positive Future For Young People Fund:

Stage 1 – Expression of Interest (EOI)

Expressions of Interest are welcome from voluntary organisations and community groups. In submitting your EOI you are required to briefly describe your project and state why it is needed. Young people will be at the heart of the programme, therefore all application proposals should be co-designed by young people. If your idea is deemed inspiring, creative and innovative enough, it will proceed to Stage 2 - Dragons Den.

Things to avoid

When completing your EOI and describing your activity, please avoid providing lengthy information or detailed statistical information. Remember, the information required is limited to **250 words (max)**.

Stage 2 – Dragons Den presentations

If your EOI is successful at stage 1, you will be invited to present your idea(s) to the Programme Board at a Dragons Den presentation, details of which will be sent at a later date.

Stage 3 – Application online

If successful at stage 2, you will then be invited to apply for and complete the online application form, provide supporting documentation where your application will be further assessed.

Project description (250 word max)

This information will provide us with a brief overview of your project. The funding is for projects which start and end between 1st April 2022 and 31st March 2024.

Beneficiaries (250 word max)

This question allows us to see how many Southwark residents will benefit from the project.

Evidence of need (250 word max)

When completing this section, you should be as clear and specific as possible and avoid where possible, making general statements. You should evidence the need with supporting data or intelligence.

Project Outputs and Outcomes

Applicants will be expected to deliver one or more of the outcomes criteria. Outputs are actual numbers, i.e. working with 50 young people. Outcomes are the differences or changes that the project will have on the children or young people taking part, for example increased self-confidence.

| Positive Future For Young People Fund - Outcomes Criteria | |
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| Outcome 1 – Physical activity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Football• Swimming• Basketball• Gym• Boxing | Outcome 2 – Personal development <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Life skills• Career advice• Budgeting skills• CV writing• Sports mentoring |
| Outcome 3 – Wellbeing activities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social space chill out area• Art therapy• Mentoring• Mediation• Counselling | Outcome 4 – Workshops/courses <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Healthy eating and cooking• Money management• Film making• Arts and crafts• Drama/acting |
| Outcome 5 – Adventure play <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adventure playground | |
| Outcome 6 - Preventative work (15%) <p>Organisations delivering the community based preventative work must meet at least one of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Projects that work in innovative ways to inspire and to keep young people out of the criminal justice system.• Projects that aim to create a positive impact in local communities and encourage longer-term sustainability of resources to continue the work taking place with disadvantaged young people.• Projects that focus on prevention and early help or reduction of criminal activity | |

Positive Future For Young People Fund - Outcomes Criteria

and are clearly targeted at those most vulnerable to being drawn into criminal activity rather than open access services.

- Projects that do not duplicate but can link to activities funded through existing programmes such as the council's youth grants or existing council provision working with this target group.
- Projects that help make communities, and/or young people, feel safer.
- Projects that support young ex-offenders, young people who are Care Leavers and complement partnership work on young people's mental health and wellbeing.
- Projects that support young people feeling more able to access services at an early point and in times of crisis.
- Applicants need to show that Young People are and will continue to be actively involved in delivery and be able to evidence clear impact.

Odessa Youth Centre Programme

To enhance the current council youth programme, we are also seeking one organisation to deliver two universal sessions a week from Odessa: Docklands Youth Centre. These sessions must offer at least one of the activities listed on the EOI form in the table on Q9.

Fast Forward Special Educational Needs and Disability Project

The council will also be seeking one organisation to deliver the council's 'Fast Forward' Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) project. The requirement will be for a specialist SEND organisation that can deliver two sessions a week from their own premises.

Application Timeline

This is a 24 month programme; organisations can seek funding for activities that will take place during the period of funding. Applications must be submitted by 17 September 2021 for grants to operate for the period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2024 (24 months).

Please note that organisations who are currently receiving funding from the Positive Futures Fund (PFF), and whose contract end date is June 2022, can request funding for the period 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2024.

| Timetable | |
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| Stage 1: Expression of Interest (EOI) opens | 23 August |
| Stage 1: Closing date for EOI form | 17 September 23:59pm |
| Stage 2: Dragons Den presentations | 11 – 13 October |
| Stage 3: Application online | 25 October 23:59pm |
| Notification to applicants | December 2021 |

| Timetable | |
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| Programme commences | 1 April 2022 |
| Programme ends | 31 March 2024 |

Supporting Documents

No supporting documents are required for the Expression of Interest (EOI).

Submitting your Expression of Interest form

The closing date for EOI forms is **17 September 2021, 23:59pm**. Applications received after this time will not be assessed.

EOI applications must be submitted to pfypf@southwark.gov.uk.

Next Steps

The Expression of Interest (EOI) will be assessed by council officers and members of the Youth Parliament to see if it meets the outcomes criteria as set in the Positive Future For Young People Fund (PFYPF). If successful at Stage 1, you will be invited to attend Stage 2 Dragons Den presentation, details of which will be provided later.