Positive Futures Fund Phase 2
Expression of Interest (EOI)
Guidelines for Applicants

Thank you for your interest in Phase 2 of the Positive Futures Fund.

The Aim – The aim of Positive Futures Fund is to support community organisations to provide inspiring opportunities for young people that divert them away from crime.

Young People (any young person 25 or under) will be at the heart of the programme. All applications to the fund should be designed and delivered by young people. We welcome applications from young people. If you do not meet the general criteria, don’t worry! We would still like to hear from you.

Funding will be for 2 ½ years from 2020-22. Young People will be at the heart of the programme. All applications should be co-designed by young people.

PLEASE NOTE

There is now a new format and process in applying for Phase 2, which consists of 3 stages with different closing dates.

Expression of Interest (EOI) Guidelines

These guidelines are to assist you in making an initial Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Fund. Proposals will be reviewed by the Positive Futures Fund Programme Board which includes 4 young people as Young Advisors and members of Southwark Youth Council.

These EOI Guidelines should provide enough information for you to make an initial proposal.

Briefing Sessions – Voluntary Organisations

There will be two briefing sessions for voluntary and community organisations to inform potential applicants of the new 3 stage process in applying for the grant. This will also include information on the co-design element of working with young people, developing outcomes and also advice on how applicants can involve young people in the process. Applicants can book to attend the briefing sessions via Eventbrite.

Young People Workshops

If you have an inspiring, innovative or creative idea for a project we will hold two young people workshops for you to come and discuss your ideas. A consultant will be available to talk you through the 3 stages of the application process. You can also contact Community Southwark for additional advice on your ideas. Young People can book to attend these workshops via Eventbrite.
Stage 1 – Expression of Interest (EOI)

Expressions of Interest (EOI) are welcome from Young People, Groups of Young People, Voluntary organisations and community groups. In submitting your Expression of Interest (EOI) you are required to briefly describe your project and why it is needed. If your idea is deemed inspiring, innovative and creative enough it will proceed to the Dragon’s Den.

Stage 2 – Dragon’s Den presentation

If your EOI is successful at stage I, you will be invited to present your ideas to the Programme Board at a Dragon’s Den presentation.

Stage 3 – Full Application form

If successful at stage 2, you will then be invited to apply for funding and complete the full application form.

What information do we ask at the EOI stage?

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

Eligibility Criteria for EOI

In submitting your EOI, applicants must meet the following:

- Young Person
- Group of young people
- Registered Charity
- Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
- Community Interest Company (CIC)
- Company Limited by Guarantee
- Industrial & Provident Society
- Unincorporated Association
- Other

What can be funded?

- Core staff costs
- Revenue costs
- Operational delivery costs
- Low value equipment costs (up to £1,000 – AVA, sports etc.)

What can’t be funded?

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

Phase 2 Opens

Wednesday 26 June 2019

Briefing Sessions 2 – 4pm

Wednesday 3 July 2019
Tuesday 9 July 2019

Young People Workshops
4.30-6.30pm

Wednesday 10 July 2019
Thurs 11 July 2019

Closing Date Stage 1 – EOI

Wednesday 7 August 2019

Stage 2–Dragon’s Den Presentation

Monday 2 September 2019
Tuesday 3 September 2019

Closing Date - Stage 3 Application Form

Friday 27 September 2019 23:59pm

Organisations notified by

December 2019

Project Commences

January 2020

Project Ends

June 2022

PLEASE NOTE

The application process for Phase 2 has changed, and it is advisable to attend the briefing session or the young people workshop to hear more about the 3 stage application process.

However if you are unable to attend, you are still eligible to submit your Expression of Interest.

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