

South and West Hertfordshire Anchor Community Small Grants Programme Application Form

We welcome applications from voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise organisations and groups, including small, grassroots and volunteer led groups.

You do not need experience of applying for funding or identify as a health organisation. We value community knowledge and lived experience alongside other forms of evidence.

Before you apply

If you are interested in applying, you can start by sending us a short 50 word summary of your idea. This gives you an opportunity to discuss your idea with the Anchor team, check whether it fits the programme and get support before completing the full application form.

How much do I need to write?

Your application should be proportionate to the amount of funding you are requesting. For smaller grants, short answers are welcome and a few sentences may be enough. For larger grants, please give us more detail about how you will deliver the activity, use the funding and the difference you expect it to make.

Need help applying or want to talk through your idea?

Please contact Maria Tanko, Anchor Programme Coordinator. **Email:** mariatu.abdulrahmantanko@nhs.net
Telephone: 01923 436182

1. About your organisation or group

Organisation or group name	
Main contact	
Email	
Telephone	
Where are you based?	

What type of organisation or group are you?

- ☐ Registered charity
☐ Community Interest Company (CIC)
☐ Other constituted not for profit organisation
☐ Unconstituted community group
☐ Faith organisation or group
☐ Other: _____

If you are an unconstituted group, do you have an eligible organisation that could hold and manage the funding for you?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I would like help with this

Which area(s) will your activity support?

- ☐ Dacorum ☐ St Albans ☐ Three Rivers ☐ Watford ☐ Hertsmere

2. Your funding request

Which grant are you applying for?

- ☐ Community Insight and Engagement Grant: £500 to £2,500
☐ Community Capacity and Service Delivery Grant: £2,500 to £10,000

Amount requested	Proposed start date	Proposed end date
£		

3. Your idea

This funding is for activities that support people living with cancer, long term conditions and/or frailty. Please select which your idea relates to:

☐ **Cancer**

☐ **Long term conditions**

Health conditions that usually need ongoing care or support, such as diabetes, heart disease, respiratory conditions or arthritis.

☐ **Frailty**

Where a person may have reduced strength or resilience and need more support with their health, wellbeing or day to day life.

You can select more than one.

Tell us about your idea

Please tell us what you would like to do with the funding, how you plan to do it, who you want to support and why the activity is needed. *You may want to include what you have seen, heard or experienced that tells you it is needed, how the people or communities you want to support have informed the idea or will be involved, any barriers they experience, and how your activity could help.*

4. What do you hope will change as a result of your activity?

Which ONE Anchor Programme outcome will your activity mainly contribute to?

We know your activity may contribute to more than one. Please select the main outcome you expect it to contribute to

- ☐ Earlier and easier access to community and preventative support
- ☐ Improved physical health, mental health or overall wellbeing
- ☐ Reduced loneliness and stronger community connection
- ☐ Greater independence and ability to manage health and wider needs
- ☐ Better connected support between services and communities
- ☐ Community voice, local knowledge and lived experience influencing local support, services and decisions
- ☐ Stronger and better connected VCFSE organisations
- ☐ More inclusive and equitable access to support for underserved communities
- ☐ New or improved community led approaches being tested, developed or extended

How will you keep track of what happens and whether your activity is making a difference?

Tell us what information you will collect during the activity to help you understand what you delivered, who you reached, what changed and what you learned. This could be simple information such as attendance, feedback, conversations, stories or observations.

5. If you are applying for the Community Capacity and Service Delivery Grant:

Will you work with other organisations, groups, services or referral partners?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not currently / not relevant

If yes, please tell us briefly who and how you will work together.

What will you need in place to deliver the activity safely and effectively?

For example, staff, volunteers, training, equipment, systems or appropriate organisational arrangements.

6. Budget

What will the funding pay for?	Amount
	£
	£
Total requested	£

If the activity will cost more than the amount you are requesting from the Anchor Programme, how will the remaining costs be covered?

- ☐ Not applicable, the grant will cover the full cost
☐ Other funding is already secured
☐ Other funding is being sought

Please give brief details if applicable:

7. Anything else

Is there anything else you would like the Grants Panel to know?

8. Applicant details

Person completing this form (if different from the main contact):	
Signature:	

Please submit your application to mariatu.abdulrahmantanko@nhs.net .

What happens next?

Your application will be considered by the Grants Panel. If successful, West Herts Hospital Charity will complete the necessary checks before funding is released.

We will keep in touch during your activity, and at the end you will complete a short final return to tell us what happened, the difference made and what you learned.