Social Prescribing helps people improve their health and wellbeing by connecting them to activities and services within the community.

The Social Prescribing Community Chest fund is designed to provide the sector with additional resources to support people referred through social prescribing. The funding can provide additional resources to support people referred through social prescribing to better cope with key issues or themes, that we would like applications to address. The funding panel welcomes creativity and is expecting organisations to use existing expertise to deliver this project effectively to meet the key priorities identified below. The funding panel is open to suggestions on how to best deliver a project which meets the specification.

Organisations interested in delivering either project should complete the Social Prescribing Community Chest Application Form and for application support you can attend ‘Meet the Funders Event’ which will take place virtually on 26th April 10-3pm using Zoom. To book a session please email jseehra@enablelc.org

The fund will be managed by Enable, in partnership with South West London CCG and Wandsworth Borough Council who each commission social prescribing and contribute to this fund.

Funding information:

The funding will allow Wandsworth VCS organisations to provide creative solutions to the key priorities identified below:

- Therapeutic support for those with mental health conditions
- Support for parents/carers of children with disabilities

Further details:

- Funding is available to any service/activity provided by a Wandsworth VCS organisation. Funding up to £10,000 is available per organisation.
- Before being awarded funding, organisations must provide a detailed plan of how they will use the funding to deliver an initiative that targets the key priorities identified above (this is provided within an application form).
- Organisations must demonstrate a commitment to finding a sustainable solution to meeting future demand. We recommend all applicants work with the Voluntary Sector Coordination Service to develop this.
- Applications will open on 1st April 2022. Applications for this window will close on the 13th May 2022 and will be reviewed by a Funding Panel.
- Applications will close once all the funding available has allocated.
- The Funding Panel welcomes creative solutions to address capacity issues and unmet needs within services. There are no restrictions on how the funding can be used, providing there is evidence it will meet community needs within the service and funds are used responsibly.

Who can apply?
Organisations must be based within Wandsworth and provide support to Wandsworth residents.

How to apply
Social Prescribing Community Chest Fund

Information

Organisations interested in applying for funding should complete the application form and email it to swlccg.socialprescribing@nhs.net

The Social Prescribing Team will review the expression of interest form and contact each organisation to discuss their case further. Following this discussion and after reviewing the information provided on the expression of interest form, the Funding Panel will assess whether your organisation is suitable for the Social Prescribing Community Chest Fund.

Applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis against the following criteria:

Therapeutic support for those with mental health conditions:
- Project should initiate the provision of arts or creative therapy to support mental health.
- We are particularly interested in projects which offer support to patients with mental health conditions, particularly anxiety and depression.
- Projects should aim to help individuals communicate thoughts and feelings through a therapeutic activity that can act as a coping mechanism, and bring about long-term behaviour change and should indicate how that change can be sustained e.g., by connecting participants to other activities.

Support for parents/carers of children with disabilities:
- Project should initiate the provision of creating an informal safe place to receive support and advice where parent/carer can bring their child with disabilities to interact.
- We are particularly interested in projects which offer self-care support for parents/carers of children with disabilities to develop coping mechanism of managing feelings of isolation, guilt and challenges that they may face.
- Projects should offer both parent/carer and children with disabilities holistic support within an interactive environment that can bring about feelings of confidence, independence and respite.

Organisations which the panel agree are suitable for this funding and meet the criteria will be provisionally offered funding. Organisations will then be asked to complete an application form, which will include a detailed plan of how you will use the funding. Funding will be allocated upon return of this form. The information provided in the application form must show clear evidence of how the organisation will use the funding for the purpose it has been allocated.

Organisations who do not meet the criteria for Social Prescribing Community Chest will be offered support from The Voluntary Sector Coordination Service to explore alternative funding options.

Successful applications
You will receive an email informing you of a provisional funding offer. This will be followed by a contractual letter that states the terms and conditions of the funding. This letter must be signed and returned via email. Your offer may be conditional based on the fulfilment of additional requirements such as providing more details on the plan.

100% of the funding will be paid on receipt of the signed letter and fulfilment of any special conditions.

Alterations
Social Prescribing Community Chest Fund Information

We understand that circumstances can change from the original application. If your budget changes after submission, for example due to unexpected income increases, the amount payable will be at the discretion of the Social Prescribing Fund.

Terms and Conditions for successful Wandsworth Social Prescribing Community Chest Fund Applicants

**Terms and Conditions:**

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<td>The funding must be spent for the purpose it was awarded, as described in the contractual letter.</td>
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<td>The Enable Social Prescribing Team must be provided with information about use of the funding and its impact. Provision of this information will be agreed within the contractual letter.</td>
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<td>100% of the funding will be paid up front. Organisation must provide evidence that the funding has been used to increase capacity and clear waiting lists in order to accept new referrals within 3 months.</td>
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<td>Funding must be spent to benefit 18+ adults who are Wandsworth Borough residents.</td>
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| 6. | Enable is unable to fund:  
   - Activities which are for private gain or result in a profit being made.  
   - Activities which promote a particular political or religious view, or any project which entices racial, religious or sexual hatred or extremism.  
   - Core running costs or overheads (e.g. utilities or rent) unless there are exceptional circumstances.  
   - VAT.  
   - Budget deficits.  
   - Endowments. |
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- Activities which do not benefit the residents of Wandsworth.
- Activities which have already taken place.

#### When a grant may be repaid:

| 7. | Enable reserve the right to require that the funding is repaid either in part or whole where (including but without limitation):
|    | - we found the funding underwrote a financial risk which was made good;
|    | - you cease to operate, are declared bankrupt, or are placed into liquidation or receivership;
|    | - you fail to use the funding for the purpose for which it was obtained, or fail to complete the deliver outcomes within the agreed timeline;
|    | - you fail to comply with the conditions of the funding at any time during the period of the grant; and / or
|    | - you completed the application form fraudulently or negligently. |