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SY2602

Dundee Partnership
Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application
2026/27

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	West Youth Work Team- Strathmartine CRF Forum
Activity Title	Youth Work Holiday Provision
Grant Requested (£)	£7700,31

- The Youth Inclusion Fund is to provide financial assistance for community initiatives aimed at working with Children and Young People. Applications should be for an activity (or activities) focused on including children & young people in activities, diverting young people from an existing undesirable activity or preventing them joining in with such activity. This should reflect a need that children and young people have been consulted on.

- The Small Grants Fund is for other applications that contribute towards achievement of the Dundee City Plan / Local Community Plan, usually up to £5,000, but there may be lower local restrictions on the amount. Therefore, it is important to check with the relevant Community Worker as listed on page 8 for any local restrictions or other requirements.

This application should address needs in one of the below Wards within which the Dundee Partnership supports activity. If an activity covers more than one Ward then an application is required for each Forum, but it is essential that each application can stand on its own if agreed and that the application is not for a city-wide activity, but a local activity that is to take place in more than one Ward.

TICK THE WARD WHERE YOUR PROJECT WILL OPERATE
Coldside

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR
Small Grant

East End	Youth Inclusionx
Lochee	
Maryfield	
North East	
Strathmartinex	

Please note that communications regarding this application will be sent to you via email unless you indicate otherwise. All communication for this application should be made to dundee.partnership@dundeecity.gov.uk

Checklist for the DP Community Regeneration Fund Application Form

Before submitting your application form to the Dundee Partnership Team, please use the below checklist to ensure that your form is as fully completed as possible. Please also note that submitting an incomplete form can cause delays in processing or rejection of your application.

Have you:

- Read the guidance sections of the form
- Fully completed the information on the front of the form
- Provided a response to all sections of the application form (including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant)
- Checked that your budget adds up properly?
- Checked that your start date is after the date at which funds could be available, (see page 6) and that your end date is within the financial year?
- Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes?
- Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information?

Sourced and attached all relevant quotes?

(multiple quotes are required where >£5,000 is being applied for to ensure value for money is being considered)

Checked that the bank details or financial code are correct / complete?

Signed the form, given accurate contact details and ticked the GDPR box?

Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	Dundee West Youth Work Team		
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2025-26? (If yes, list all grants below)			YES / NO
Title of project funded	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
Targeted Youth Work Activities and Holiday Activities 2024/2025	£5000	April 2025	We are on track to fully spend

Please give a description of what you want this grant for - (please limit your answer to 500 words or less)

This proposal directly supports Dundee's **Community Regeneration Fund priorities**, with a clear focus on addressing inequalities experienced by young people living in Community Regeneration Areas. The planned programme aligns with the City Plan and Local Community Plan outcomes by improving health, wellbeing, safety, and opportunities for young people who experience disproportionate disadvantage.

During school holidays, the youth work team will deliver a structured programme providing educational and social activities that are shaped by young people themselves. This ensures that provision remains locally relevant, needed, and responsive. Activities will operate four days per week, supplemented with coach and minibus trips that provide enriching experiences many families cannot otherwise access. These opportunities support the Scottish Government and City Plan commitment to "closing the gap" for children and young people in the most deprived communities.

Food insecurity is a significant issue identified by young people and families in the area. In line with local priorities around dignity in accessing food, the programme will provide free nutritious food at every session. Meals and snacks are codesigned with young people and prepared with the support of youth volunteers—promoting skill building, confidence, and community contribution.

Previous CRF funded trips, such as the largescale visit to M&D's theme park, demonstrated strong community uptake and impact, with hundreds of young people benefiting. Continued investment will sustain this momentum by enabling both city-wide and local trips that broaden horizons, reduce isolation, and support positive engagement.

The programme directly addresses local consultation findings, which highlight a need for safe spaces, positive diversionary activities, and structured support during school holiday periods. It also aligns with the Dundee Partnership's expectations that funded work contributes to reducing anti-social behaviour, promoting wellbeing, and ensuring that services reach those who face the greatest disadvantage.

Which City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome(s) will it address?

Overall, this proposal provides tangible, measurable contributions to the City Plan and Local Community Plan outcomes by:

- Improving physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing
- Reducing inequalities experienced by young people in deprived neighbourhoods
- Providing dignified access to food
- Offering safe, structured, youth led provision during high risk periods
- Increasing participation, confidence, and positive life experiences

CRF investment will ensure this essential provision continues to meet the needs of young people in the area, supports the Dundee Partnership's commitment to tackling disadvantage, and delivers meaningful outcomes for the local community.

Outcomes: SQA, Strathmartine Local Community Plan, City Plan(Children and Families, CLD Standards Council Youth Work Outcomes.

How many people will benefit from this project?	
<p>Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)</p> <p>Our learning offer is open to all local young people, with targeted support delivered in partnership with education and social work services to engage those with the greatest need.</p> <p>Our youth work is inclusive and values diversity, providing a safe and welcoming environment for young people of all backgrounds, including members of the LGBTQI+ community and those from newly arrived communities.</p> <p>We are committed to reducing barriers to participation for young people with additional and complex needs.</p>	

Please say why the project is needed (please limit your answer to 500 words or less)

Youth work provision in the Strathmartine area targets young people living in areas of high SIMD who face significant barriers to participation, including poverty, food insecurity, substance misuse, and limited social mobility. Many are looked after or live in larger single parent households.

Need is greatest during school holidays, when access to term-time support, safe spaces, and free food is reduced. Summer provision has successfully supported P7 transitions and reduced social isolation by enabling young people to build positive relationships with peers and youth work staff.

Last year's programme saw the recruitment of five young volunteers who are developing their leadership skills to support the ongoing youth work programme and community events, most recently the Christmas light switch on and the Community Christmas day in Ardler where they served food and ran activities for local families. This group of young volunteers will support the delivery of holiday programme activities, which contributes to the relevance and range of opportunities offered and also, their own learning and development.

Funding is requested as without this money, the programme cannot be delivered. Core budget covers staffing and we will utilise DCC equipment and spaces for the programme. Fundraising has proved difficult as we know from our relationships with young people that families are already struggling to provide food and heat.

This project is needed to ensure young people most at risk of holiday hunger, most in need of support and with least access to opportunities can have a safe holiday with fun, experiences and learning they can share with peers.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

We engage with young people throughout the year to ensure provision is shaped by local need, with all activity regularly evaluated for impact. Targeted outreach in primary and secondary schools prioritises those who are most isolated and disadvantaged.

The project delivers free holiday provision, removing financial barriers and providing safe, structured diversionary activities. Through a programme of physical and educational opportunities, the project supports improved physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing for children and young people from low income families, while contributing to the priorities of the Strathmartine Local Community Plan.

What evidence do you hold that the local community supports this application?

(For example, was it proposed by members of a particular group? Does it directly address need identified by community members?)

The community plan reflects the needs of the community and the holiday provision is valued by parents and young people in Strathmartine with feedback from both on last years holiday programme being extremely positive and confirming the continued need for this programme.

How will the project / activity tackle deprivation or benefit those experiencing deprivation? (Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

Across Dundee City, 10,706 children aged 0–15 reside within data zones ranked in the 20% most deprived nationally. This represents 44.6% of the total child population in this age group, an increase from 10,413 children (43.8%) recorded in 2016.

Strathmartine Ward / LCPP

The total population of children aged 0–15 in Strathmartine is 3,939.

- 655 children (16.6%) live within data zones ranked in the 5% most deprived nationally.
- 1,901 children (48.2%) live within data zones ranked in the 20% most deprived nationally.

This indicates that almost half of all children in Strathmartine experience high levels of multiple deprivation, significantly exceeding the Dundee City average.

What other sources of funding have you secured / tried to secure for this project?

- **If none, please state why this is the case**

(Detail below, including applications that are pending or that have been turned down. We may ask for further evidence of an application for other funding)

Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable)	£
Admin, access to venues, staffing costs, lets and resources.	In kind

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What are the costs of your activity and how much money is required? Please give specific details (expand list / use an additional sheet if required) and provide all quotes (good practice for applications for over £5,000 is to provide three quotes to ensure value for money is received, and we will require to see these where relevant).

Cost Heading	Full Costs (£)	DP Aid (£)
M&Ds Excursion and coach hire	2296.75	2296.75
Codonas Excursion and coach hire	2390	2390
Edinburgh Zoo Excursion and coach hire	1925	1925
Mini bus hire for local trips with packed lunch	288.56	288.56
Food/ingredients for cooking activities throughout the holidays.	800	800
Totals	7700.31	7700.31

- **All applicants are required to submit a copy of the group's most recent annual accounts with this application. These will be used to help determine eligibility for funding, and WITHOUT THEM AN APPLICATION WILL NOT PROCEED**
- **If reserves held are less than three months operating expenses please confirm this below**

Note that if you have already submitted your accounts within this financial year, further copies may not be needed - please check with the Dundee Partnership Team if unsure

What other documents are you attaching to evidence the budget costs for this application? (e.g. quotes, estimates, projected income and expenditure)

How do you intend to monitor the project Outputs and Outcomes?

Using the National Skills Development Framework, the project will monitor and evidence the impact of youth work interventions. Ongoing recording, evaluation, and

reflective practice will be embedded throughout delivery, with regular feedback from young people and partner agencies.

Practice will be underpinned by the GIRFEC approach, with outcomes aligned to the SHANARRI wellbeing indicators, ensuring provision supports children and young people to be safe, healthy, achieving, nurtured, active, respected, responsible, and included.

This contributes directly to City Plan and Local Community Plan priorities, supporting Dundee to be the best place in Scotland for children and young people to grow up.

What is the planned start date of the event/activity? Please note turn around on applications is 6 - 10 weeks and funding cannot be retrospective (<i>see section 2 of the guidance notes</i>)	April 2026
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	March 2027

Outputs & Outcomes

It is expected that applicants will have evidence to support performance information when completing returns on the performance against target. Consideration of this should be given when outputs and outcomes are set out.

Applicants will usually refer to one [City Plan / Local Community Plan](#) Outcome, but the opportunity is given for up to two, if required. **Please refer to section 3 of the Guidance Notes** for examples of outputs and outcomes / indicators.

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:

1. Our children will have the best start in life, they will be cared for and supported to learn in nurturing environments.
2. Our children, young people and families will be meaningfully engaged with learning, and, combined with high quality learning experiences, all children and young people will extend their potential.
3. Our children and young people will be physically, mentally and emotionally healthy.

4. Our children and young people who experience particular inequalities and disadvantage will achieve health, wellbeing and educational outcomes comparable with all other children and young people.

5. Our children and young people will be safe and protected from harm at home, school and in the community.

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:

1. Young people are supported to improve their health and wellbeing.
2. Young people have raised levels of attainment and achievement
3. Young people take on responsible roles in school and communities

	Target 2026-27
Outputs	
To enhance our youth work learning offer throughout the year with a focus on holiday provision.	Engage 400+ young people in a range of youth work activities and learning opportunities.
To offer various excursions during school holidays.	250+ young people enjoy a day out with peers
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Young people will have access to a range of youth work learning opportunities.	400+ young people
Young people will have access to excursions and holiday activities to broaden their horizons and enhance their lives	200+

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2026-27
Outputs	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
