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Dundee Partnership **Community Regeneration Fund**

Grant Application **2025/2026**

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Allan Howieson - DCC , CLD Central Youth Work Team
Activity Title	The DISC Target Project
Grant Requested (£)	£19,716 (or £9,858 each from Maryfield and Coldsides Forums).

- The Physical & Environmental Improvement Fund is to provide financial assistance for community initiatives aimed at improving the local area through Capital expenditure. Capital expenditure is something of a physical nature including the acquisition, improvement or structural enhancement of an asset valued at £6,000 or more.

- 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	PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR
Coldsides YES	Small Grant
East End	Physical & Environmental Improvement

Lochee	Youth Inclusion YES
Maryfield	
North East	
Strathmartine	<p>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</p>

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	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fully completed the information on the front of the form	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provided a response to all sections of the application form (including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Checked that your budget adds up properly?	<input type="checkbox"/>
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?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information?	<input type="checkbox"/>
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)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Checked that the bank details or financial code are correct / complete?	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	DCC, CLD – The DISC Target Project		
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2023-24? (If yes, list all grants below)			YES / NO
Title of project funded	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
DISC Target Project	£8581	23/24	yes
DISC Target Project	£9074	24/25	yes

Please give a description of what you want this grant for :

We will deliver 2 x nights per week (50 weeks) of Free, Healthy Youth Diversion Activities run by local young people from the local area. It will attracting around 250 local young people through its door each week. Around 170 Young people will play football delivered by our own local our young people, and around 70 other youngsters will spend time with Youth work staff with warm clothing, blankets, warm drinks and snacks and warm shelter if they require 1:1 support.

Around 70% of the 250 local young people attending each week will come from SIMD areas. This is why we need to provide warm clothing, blankets, hot water bottles, hot and cold snacks and drinks. WE also provide free football boots and tracksuit tops to every child or young person who cannot afford or access them. It is a direct response to the cost-of-living crisis effecting children and families, and one keyway we feel we can reduce barriers to participation relating to poverty.

WE will also run one night per week of a Volunteer Training Academy session (after school) – DCC Youth Workers will train a group of young community volunteers to gain the skills, motivation, and confidence to shape and deliver their own community project for the benefit of both them and the community. Young people trained will all be local young people and will be from challenging social or economic backgrounds.

In addition ,1:1 support meeting with young people will take place every week out with the project to respond to young people who are most vulnerable or find themselves in distress or crisis.

All sessions will be run by local young people. With your funding We will Employ 21 of these local young people (all from the local area) throughout the year as a progression from Volunteering and the training above. They will come from a variety of challenging backgrounds such as local Childrens homes (looked after), histories of mental ill health, young carer responsibilities, low attainment or attendance at school, parents effected by Alcohol or drug addiction, financial poverty or Refugee background. The employment of these Young People will not only encourage positive active roles in their local community but will act as a hugely important first experience of formal employment. Our strong evidence says that almost all these young people you fund do not fall through the gaps and will achieve a positive transition into College, Apprenticeships or full time Employment.

As a local youth worker of 27 years, not enough Community projects nationally are genuinely entrusted to young people to run Youth Work initiatives like the DISC Target Project. Very few communities or projects trust or value young people enough to run their own community projects. Instead, too often this role is left to adults / workers etc. It is my opinion that adults often do not have the same passion or buy in as local young residents, CRF members in Maryfield and Coldside have gone a huge step further in recent years and have invested in young volunteers and allowed some of their work to be formally paid. This shows our Young People that we value and trust their contributions and we trust our own.

I suggest that your faith in this process is paying off. The evidence really speaks for itself:

The fact that this project is now in its 23rd year and continues to attract increasingly young people (150 young people per night) is a good indicator that young people can make a success of running their own project. The fact that young people attending feel safer is also relevant.

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

Maryfield Local plan - We need to improve life chances for children and families

Coldside Local plan - We need to respond to the cost of living crisis AND We need to improve life chances for children and families.

City Plan Outcomes:

- b) improved life chances for people of all ages, through learning, personal development, and active citizenship; b) stronger, more resilient, supportive, influential, and inclusive communities.
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CLD Plan Dundee:

Outcome 4: Improving Life Chances for Young People

How many people will benefit from this project?	Approx 850
<p>Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (Male, female, age range or protected characteristic)</p> <p>The project will maintain and embed its heavily “Targeted” ethos (hence the name DISC Target Project) by using high partnership approaches to attract and support the local areas most vulnerable groups aged 11-21 . These groups include:</p> <p>Young people directly affected by Poverty.</p> <p>Young people not attending school regularly, school refusers, or not engaging with learning.</p> <p>Young people with recognised or diagnosed mental health conditions.</p> <p>Young people known to SW Youth justice services, police or ASB Teams.</p> <p>Young people with LAC status (Looked after)</p> <p>Young Carers</p> <p>Young people who are socially isolated or struggling to make or maintain friendships.</p> <p>Young people with refugee or asylum-seeking status (or new young Scots).</p> <p>Young people congregating outside in the evenings who may benefit from safe Diversion.</p> <p>Young people who are at risk of becoming socially inactive or disengaged in positive destinations post school without additional community based tailored learning opportunities and support.</p>	

<p>Please say why the project is needed (please limit your answer to 500 words or less)</p> <p>RESPONDS TO THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS- Will not only provide free healthy safe services to young people 2 evening per week, but we will provide additional food to all participants every session, provide warm clothing/hot water</p>

bottles/blankets etc / and free trainers and football boots to those who cannot access these due to poverty related financial barriers.

REDUCES UNEMPLOYMENT- We Provide crucial initial Employment to 19 local underachieving Young People, which evidence suggests, drastically improves their Employability chances in the future.

CLOSING THE ATTAINEMENT Gap –They will also be practically supported further positive destination such as College, Apprenticeships or Employment)

CLOSES ATTAINEMENT GAP –Formal Qualifications provided to all Volunteers who in many cases have not achieved their full potential at school)

IMPROVES PHYSICAL, MENTAL EMOTIONAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE- we provide not only 2-4 hours of free physical exercise to local young people but provide key and professional interventions when Young People experience issues which effect their emotional and mental wellbeing.

INCREASES SAFETY AND PROTECTION OF OUR LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE –we provide a safe and healthy diversion to 160 young people every week, and address negative decision making through 1:1 Support)

REDUCES LEVELS OF ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR –We actively Target and support Young People identified as being involved in negative decision making in their local community and offer either direct alternatives through activities, volunteering, or Training. Feedback says this is working locally but must continue without complacency.

IMPROVES EMPOWERMENT OF LOCAL PEOPLE .-The project is run, influenced, shaped and delivered by local Maryfield Young People. This can be hugely empowering process for our Young People, the process of Volunteering and gaining Employment further Empowers Young people)

MORE JOBS AVAILABLE- We Provide crucial initial Employment to 19 local underachieving Young People which has proven to drastically improve further Employability chanced
CLOSE ATTAINEMENT Gap in the future.

MORE YOUTH AND CHILDRENS GROUPS PROVIDED- we provide 4 days of quality large scale services for local young people aged 9-19

DIRECT ACTION TO HELP PEOPLE FEEL SAFER AT NIGHT- Our outcome monitoring and evaluation suggests that Young People feel much safer in a structured environment in the evenings. We think that a reduction of youths congregating together in local hot spots also can reduce anxiety or the perception of crime of adult or elderly residents.

BETTER OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO VOICE THEIR CONCERNS –constant contact and individual support to young people provided by this project gives staff the opportunity to both understand and address individuals concerns every week.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Local resident representative structures have been clear that this Youth Led Diversionary service has played a vital part in maintaining low levels of ASB involving young people locally and have requested the service continues.

Local police structures and elected members are highly supportive of this application, the projects broad positive outcomes on community life, and are concerned of the impact on local communities should funding not be made available to continue the project.

Over 250 young people who access the project every week /50 week per year and have been clear in discussions that they would want the project to continue for a variety of reasons (health, safety, feelings of community, social interaction, inclusion and employability and hunger are some reasons given).

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?)

Local community plan priorities (which are heavily influenced by local community members) are being addressed directly by this project). See Maryfield and Coldside community plan reference above.

A local group of representative young people who are going through a **WHAT MATTERS TO YOU** process have clearly stated that finding funding to this project is important to local young people and their continued wellbeing.

Formalised feedback from Residents, elected members, Police, local young people clearly express the need to maintain funding applications to maintain service

How will the project / activity tackle deprivation or benefit those experiencing deprivation?

(Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

This is a free activity provided for all young people in their local community in a high standard venue, which may be unaffordable to many without this subsidy. It is open for any young people to attend, but we will specifically target vulnerable groups and target residents of areas within Maryfield SIMD Areas. This grant will also assist in employing local young people we are also tackling unemployment in a SIMD area of the city. Over 70 % of our participants last year came from the top 15% SIMD areas locally.

The DISC Target Project is named appropriately. The ethos of the project is to “target” young people who are most vulnerable. This is done by CLD Youth Workers liaising closely with key partners to ensure it meets these outcomes i.e. young people who attend include looked after young people, young people who are known to social work, young people who live in SIMD areas within Maryfield, young people from BME community,

young people who congregate in Maryfield and Coldside CRF hotspots areas in the evening and young women's' groups for whom there are concerns.

Directly employing young people with lived experiences of poverty and exclusion not only puts money into local people's pockets immediately, but clearly acts as a springboard to further employment, or training in the future , often preventing young people falling through the gap or needing specific unemployment support,

Providing employment with this funding has proven to be an empowering process for our young people and has proven tangible hard employability outcomes.

For Physical & Environmental Improvements (which must be Capital worth at least £6,000 in value) the following questions must be answered:

Have all relevant permissions been agreed? (Please state what these are) **NA**

How will the planned project be maintained? (Please state who will be responsible for this) **NA**

What is the expected 'life' of the improvement? (e.g., before it will require replacement) **NA**

Could a plaque indicating the Community Regeneration Fund as a source be added on location for this award? (If there would be additional costs for this, please indicate this in the budget section)

YES – If plaque provided, we could place onto the door of our container which can be seen by participants and wider community.

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)	£
There are various and significant in-kind contributions to the total cost of running this project. Dundee United Community Trust, DCC CLD Youth work provide significant financial and significant Staffing contributions. We have recently received money from the Dundee Youth Fund which pays for things such as a storage	Value of Around £30,000 of in-kind support is secured by partners and

<p>container, volunteer costs not included in this bid. We have also applied for money from the young Scot fund for free football boots and clothing for young people at the project who need it.</p> <p>We also receive a £2500 annual discount from Leisure and Culture for the hire of the venue (total cost is £8500 per year) .</p> <p>The only element of the project that we need funding for is for the funding to employ a team of local young people to run the service. We believe the skills they have and the outcomes they produce cannot be they cannot be replaced and funding for which is very difficult to find. WE believe that local adults funding local young people is a crucial element of the project as it signifies young and adult community members working in partnership to improve both their local communities and address poverty together It is what is unique about this project. This is why we ask for local support via our local CRF groups.</p>	<p>stakeholders to meet additional costs of the project. (See project costings)</p>
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<p>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 <u>all</u> 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).</p>		
Cost Heading	Full Costs (£)	DP Aid (£)
<p>DISC Let costs 50 weeks per year – 100 sessions x £80 per session. (PAID FOR BY DCC YOUTH WORK SECTION with £2000 discount from leisure and culture Dundee)</p>	£8000	£0
<p>DCC CLD Youth Worker (Approx. 12-13 hours per week (from 37 Hour Week) as a percentage of Annual salary) . This includes delivering all volunteer training, accreditation delivery, overseeing all Diversionary evening activities, supporting young people to volunteer at the Disc as well as local Forum led events, progressing local young people into positive employment destinations, providing 1:1 support to local young people and ensure project continues to attract the most vulnerable local Young People</p> <p>(PROVIDED IN KIND BY DCC's YOUTH WORK SECTION STAFFING BUDGET)</p>	£10,000	£0
<p>3 x Part time Council CLD Youth Workers x 6 hours per week supporting all Delivery of Evening Diversionary Sessions.</p> <p>18 hours per week x £10.78 per hour = £194.04 per week x 49</p> <p>(PROVIDED IN KIND BY DCC's YOUTH WORK SECTION STAFFING BUDGET)</p>	£9507	£0

<p>Dundee United Community Trust Chief Executive</p> <p>(approx. 1 Hour per week at. £15.50 per hour x 52 weeks).</p> <p>This hour typically involves overseeing the DUCT (Dundee United Community Trust) Business Support Manager who perform key tasks associated with Employing our Young Maryfield and Coldside employees with supportive first contacts, pay claims, PVG processes, HR services etc. He also meets monthly with DCC Youth Work service to</p> <p>(PROVIDED IN-KIND BY DUNDEE UNITED COMMUNITY TRUST)</p>	£806	£0
<p>Dundee United Community Trust Business and Support Manager.</p> <p>(Approx. 1 hour per week at £15 per hour x 52 weeks)</p> <p>Carries out all crucial tasks associated with employing our young Maryfield Young People. Includes processing pay claims, managing PVG process, provides HR service to young people, Invoices DCC monthly for transfer of CRF money and carries out training with young people associated with being an employee of a charity.</p> <p>(PROVIDED IN-KIND BY DUNDEE UNITED COMMUNITY TRUST)</p>	£780	£0
<p>Dundee United FC buy in an external pay-roll service to pay all their employees. DUCT pay an annual fee of £421 to use this service. We will receive this service in kind with no contribution.</p> <p>DUCT have also invested in a high-quality online employee portal and App for all their young Maryfield and Coldside Employees, improving the employee experience. This cost £791 per year. Again, the CRF disc target project will not be asked to contribute to the running costs of this.</p> <p>(PROVIDED IN-KIND BY DUNDEE UNITED COMMUNITY TRUST)</p>	£1212	£0
<p><u>FORMAL QUALIFICATIONS COSTS OFFERED TO YOUNG MARYFIELD VOLUNTEERS / PAID YOUNG PEOPLE.</u></p> <p>Duke of Edinburgh Award £21 per learner x 20 Awards. All volunteers are offered this award as part of their training with CLD. (£420)</p> <p>21 x Formal SQA Wider Achievement Qualification packs, Saltire Awards, Child Protection Training certificates and Heart Start Training. (21 x approx. £30 per Young Person) (£630)</p> <p>(IN KIND COST COVERED BY DCC YOUTH WORK SECTION LOCAL BUDGET)</p>	£1050	£0
<u>ALL ESSENTIAL SPORTS EQUIPMENT</u>	£348.40	£348.40

<p>Footballs x 30 (£208.50) @£9.95 each Bibs x 100 (£139.90) @£1.39 each</p> <p>These are local supplier "Direct Soccer"s costings.</p>		
<p>COST OF LIVING RELATED response Equipment and VOLUNTEER OUTDOOR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:</p> <p>Blankets, umbrellas, winter coats for volunteers and participants, kettles, cups for water and hot tea, hot chocolate supplies and 50% of the costs of healthy snacks and fruit for participants</p> <p>Purchase of Outdoor heated container for providing warm shelter, heated food, clothing provision and free football boots distribution, and warm 1:1 support area. (all above provided from grant from DCC Youth Diversionary Grant).</p> <p>50% of cost of providing healthy snacks to 100 participants all year round. (Asda cereal bars =20p each x 100 per session x 50 sessions =£2000)</p> <p>SOUP KETTLE and cost of providing Hot healthy soup for 5 months per year. (Local supplier) Local supplier costings. (Funder for this not found yet)</p>	<p>£10,170</p> <p>£2000</p> <p>£1000</p>	<p>0</p> <p>£1000</p> <p>£0</p>
<p>FUNDING TO EMPLOY 21 LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE – (10 from Coldside Ward /10 from Maryfield ward and 1 LAC YP)</p> <p>YOUNG PEOPLE WILL PROVIDE 100 LARGE SCALE FREE HEALTHY DIVERSION ACTIVITIES, 2 NIGHTS A WEEK, (50 WEEKS PER YEAR) For APPROX 250 local YOUNG PEOPLE EVERY WEEK.</p> <p>BREAKDOWN:</p> <p>50 Thursday nights –7 local young people paid x 2 hours x £13.12. = £9,184 (new Gov living wage figure)</p> <p>50 Friday Nights - 7 local Young People paid x 2 Hours x £13.12. = £ 9,184 (new gov living wage figure)</p> <p>An Additional 7 local young people Employed throughout the year will be given employment opportunities to deliver this vital service.</p>	<p>£18,360</p>	<p>£18,360</p>

Totals	£63,233.	£19,716 (£9,858 each from Maryfield and Coldsides forums)

- **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)
Costings of Equipment (balls and bibs from local supplier, direct soccer) , and food snacks (asda).

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

We have robust and resilient systems to record, evaluate and present all projects Outputs and Outcomes using mainly Dundee City Councils Cognisoft data management system.

This will measure numbers attending, can measure SIMD statistics, report on key outcomes such as learning, Skill development, Employment outcomes, or how it engages with people from targeted vulnerable groups. Feedback from communities, local police and parents provides additional evidence of impact on community.

More is explained about specific project outcomes, outputs, processes in section below.

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 (see section 2 of the guidance notes)	1 st April 2025
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	31 st March 2026

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:

Maryfield Local plan - We need to improve life chances for children and families.

Coldside Local plan - We need to respond to the cost-of-living crisis.
- We need to improve life chances for children and families.

City Plan ref – “stronger, more resilient, supportive, influential, and inclusive communities”

CLD Plan – (Outcome 4: “Improving Life Chances for Young People)

4.1 Partners will maximize targeted support to children and young people (working to ensure the right support to the right door at the right time)

4.2 Partners will work together to provide transition programme that support young people at key stages in their lives.

4.4 Partners will work with young people to access opportunities leading to positive destinations.

4.7 Partners will support young people to express their views & have their voices heard.

(Outcome 2- strengthening communities)

2.4 Through community development and capacity building partners will support a range of community groups to take action to improve lives in their communities.

(Outcome 1 -Reducing poverty and tackling inequalities)

1.2 Partners will deliver focussed pieces of work to reduce poverty and tackle inequalities.

1.6 Partners will support community voice in identifying needs and designing and delivering services.

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires Local Authorities to take measures to ensure the participation of communities in Community Planning matters, have a deliberative role in decisions that affect them and that communities have access to resources and assets to help them with this work.

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:

The DISC Target Project will identify Young People (aged 15-21) with a variety of existing barriers to learning and engagement (**e.g.** in financial Poverty, disengaged from school, LAC status, young carers, poor Mental health, young Scots , involved in Youth justice system) and will train , support and inspire young participants to deliver their own local PEER Led youth Diversionary Project 2 evening's per week within their local community . This project will reach around 800 young people each year)

<p>They will have the opportunity to shape, influence and deliver positive change in their local community whilst learning key skills for life and work. 21 tailor made formal “youth jobs” will be created using a partnership with Dundee United Community Trust, which will allow Young people to gain first vital employment record which will improve their chances of making the smooth transition into position employment and training destination. CLD will support this transition process and again will use partnership approaches with Dundee’s employability services to prevent youth unemployment or future economic inactivity. Empowerment and learning principles are at the core of the CLD Process.</p>	
	Target 2024-25
Outputs	
21 Young people aged 15-21 with learning barriers will be identified (using partnership approaches) supported to plan, influence and deliver their own Youth Led free Diversionary Youth Work service for the benefit of their local community.	21 Young people supported
21 local young people will be supported and empowered to take up Volunteer opportunities in their local community	21 Young People supported
21 local young people will progress into specifically designed funded Formal paid employment local jobs within the project via our partner Dundee United Community Trust.	21 young people supported
21 young people will be supported to gain and formalise vital skills for life and work , gain certification or qualifications for their CV’s and feel more motivated ,confident and empowered to make the next step into community and career .	21 young people supported
21 Young people will be supported to make the smooth transition into further education, employment, apprenticeships opportunities etc before exiting the project .	21 young people supported
Outcomes / Indicators:	
21 Young people will report to having improved /increased core skills relating to life and work. They will be more confident and empowered to make smooth transitions into further employment and education.	21 YP report increased skills and confidence to progress into Employment or training
21 local jobs will be created for young people as a progression from Volunteering	21 local jobs created
21 local young people will influence and design local CLD services which promote learning, engagement and address poverty.	21 young people have positive influence and voice
18-21 young people (around 90%) of participants will make a smooth transition into positive destinations of their choice before exiting the Disc Target Project thus preventing youth unemployment	18-21 Young people (aprox 90%) of participants will be prevented from experiencing long term unemployment or financial inactivity.

<p>City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:</p> <p>Maryfield Local plan - We need to improve life chances for children and families.</p> <p>Coldside Local plan - We need to respond to the cost-of-living crisis. - We need to improve life chances for children and families.</p> <p>City Plan ref:</p> <p>REDUCE child poverty and inequalities in incomes, education & health.</p>

Dundee will be a caring city which has tackled the root causes of poverty and delivered fairness in incomes, education and health.

Mental health of our citizens will improve through accessible community supports.

CLD Plan – (key part of City Plan)

(Outcome 4: “Improving Life Chances for Young People)

4.1 Partners will maximize targeted support to children and young people (working to ensure the right support to the right door at the right time)

4.2 Partners will work together to provide transition programme that support young people at key stages in their lives.

4.5 Partners will work with young people to support their health and wellbeing.

4.6 Partners will deliver learning opportunities that are diversionary and support our prevention agenda and are informed by youth voice, such as Planet Youth.

Outcome 3: Health Inequalities

3.3 Partners will provide appropriate health and wellbeing opportunities at a local level relevant to identified need.

(Outcome 1 -Reducing poverty and tackling inequalities)

1.2 Partners will deliver focussed pieces of work to reduce poverty and tackle inequalities.

1.3 Partners will ensure that at-risk individuals, groups, and communities are targeted effectively.

1.4 Partners will use data and intelligence to identify and target communities and issues of concern.

(Outcome 5 – Improving life chances of adults)

5.2 Partners will contribute to the city's Humanitarian Response through the delivery of targeted adult ESOL and community development support.

Outcome 6 - 6.3 Partners will develop learning opportunities that embed leadership and management skills

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:

The DISC Target project will an all-year round Free Healthy youth led evening Diversionary Project which will target the most vulnerable group of young people in the local community. It is open to all young people aged 11-21. However, It is a heavily targeted provision (hence named the DISC Target Project.) and will use a high partnership approach to ensure young people who are vulnerable are identified, supported and sustained to attend using peer approaches. Groups targeted include young people experiencing lived poverty, non-school attenders, young people involved with SW youth justice services, YP experiencing poor mental health, looked after individuals, young carers, and new young Scots , asylum seekers or refugees.)

Young people will not only be safely diverted 2 nights per week all year, but the project will break down many of the financial or social barriers that prevent many young people accessing many mainstream and paying activities that many families can not subsidise.

The project provides free football boots, warm outdoor clothing, blankets, warm drinks and healthy snacks to all participants before they return home. The project also provides up to 3 hours of physical activities run by young people themselves.

The experiential learning of participants such as social skills is recorded as well as impact on safety, health and social inclusion.

	Target 2025-2026
Outputs	
100 Free, Healthy, Targeted, Peer Led Evening Diversionary sessions will be provided. (2 nights per week-50 weeks per year - Thursday and Friday 8-10pm)	100 x evening sessions delivered
Between 200 and 250 young people (many from vulnerable thematic groups) will engage with the DISC Target Project in the evenings. Between 800 and 1000 individual young people are estimated to attend over the year.	Between 800 and 1100 young people will receive service (200-250 per week)
Approx. 70 % of participants will come from SIMD 1 poverty areas.	70% of recorded postcodes SIMD
Free football boots, warm outdoor clothing, blankets, hot drinks, snacks warm learning environment and option of 1:1 support provided at every session.	100 x evening sessions delivered providing poverty response
High partnership approaches used to ensure vulnerable participants are identified and supported to attend and feel supported and valued. Impact Feedback / community recorded	Partnerships nurtured and prioritised.
Impact of service on young people monitored and recorded (i.e., skills, safety, health,)	Evaluations /impacts recorded
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Targeted Young people from Vulnerable social, economic or environmental backgrounds are provided with Targeted Diversionary support in the evenings - resulting in outcomes of improved Safety, Improved Health, and Improved and strengthened supportive relationships in their local community.	Significant sample of around 250 young people /participants will report impact of service on their safety, health, relationships, other learning
DISC Target Project engagement with around 250 targeted young people per week will have a positive effect on the local community and play a key role in maintaining low levels of Anti-social behaviour and Youths Causing annoyance calls to police in the local areas	Formal Feedback from Police, adults' residents' structures, ASB teams and young people themselves will be recorded.
Between 800-1100 young people benefit from interventions which alleviate the effects of poverty , of which over 70% are likely to experience the poverty in their lives now.	Impact of anti-poverty interventions observed and feedback recorded.
Young people's community-based transition services are improved and young people's resilience to cope with these crucial periods improved. Young people at 2 key transitional periods (i.e. P7 -S1 S4 – post school) to be supported in age/stage appropriate ways. P7's and S1's will have first access to youth work services and integration with older age groups in a community setting will make transition to secondary school less difficult.	

<p>21 Young people aged 16-21 are provided with additional and specific skills for life and work interventions, Direct Employment opportunities and support to prevent youth unemployment or disengagement in learning.</p> <p>Improved leadership skills of some participants, resulting in further involvement of young people influencing, shaping CLD poverty interventions and having young voices heard.</p>	<p>Numbers of targeted P7 engagement recorded.</p> <p>21 young people (aged 16-21) impact recorded.</p> <p>10 young people involved What matters to you / Value based training to further improve Disc Target Project ensuring service continues to be youth led and relevant to YP now.</p>