Ref: L2516

<u>Dundee Partnership</u> <u>Community Regeneration Fund</u>

Grant Application 2025/26

Applicant Information		
Name of Applicant Group	Ace Community Events	
Activity Title	Double peak branded Start Tent	
Grant Requested (£)	£3178	

- 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 <u>each</u> Forum, but it is essential that each application can stand on its own if agreed and that the application is <u>not</u> for a city-wide activity, but a local activity that is to take place in more than one Ward.

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TICK THE WARD WHERE YOUR PROJECT WILL OPERATE	PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR
Coldside	Small GrantX
East End	
LocheeX	Youth Inclusion

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

Checklist for the DP Community Regeneration Fund Application Form

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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 Χ 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? Χ 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? Χ (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)	Ace Community Events			
Did you receive a Dundee Pa (If yes, list all grants below)	artnership grant during 2024-25?			YES / NO
Title of project funde	ed	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
Purchase of 4mX8m profession	nal Gazebo	£4,834	12/12/2024	Yes

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

Ace Community Events is a newly Established Events Management community interest company that was established in March 2024. The vision for Ace Community events centres around Five key elements

Community Wealth Building

Accessibility

Affordability

Sustainability

Collaboration

Our program of free community events has seen us deliver and Easter Family Fun Day, Charleston Family Fun Day, Menzieshill Countdown to Christmas and Lochee Light night. We are also supporting other community events which will take place within the Lochee ward in 2025 and beyond.

We are looking to purchase a Double peak branded start tent to use at our events. This item will allow us to continue bring in our own infrastructure to our events, and reducing the associated costs with delivering free community events. The ten can be used in multiple ways at different events. Sheltered seating areas away from both the rain and the sun. The tent can be used as a performance area of for activities to take place under. This will allow us to have a multi-functional sheltered space for our events. We can also provide the tent for use at other community

events or activities. Having suitable sheltered areas for the public is essential when delivering events in Scotland. One minute it can be raining and the next minute the sun is out.

Having this equipment will allow us to enhance peoples experience when attending our events.

Ace community events believe in delivering not only fun but high quality safe events. This can host up to eighty people and will help to enhance the quality and experience of attending our free community events or supporting a local group to carry out an event or outdoor activity.

Which City Plan / Local Commun	ity Plan Outcome(s) will it address?
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Children& Families
Building Stronger Communities

How many people will benefit from this project?

8000

Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)

Our Events are open to everyone.

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

In recent years there has been a significant decrease in events delivered by Dundee City Council due to budget restraints. Further to this the legislation and complexities of delivering events has become somewhat challenging and overwhelming for local people. Further to this some of the previous events such as Camperdown Easter Family Fun Day had significant financial costs to them that many families cannot afford, therefore excluding the most vulnerable within our communities.

Events such as Dundee West Fest are great with free entry but the cost associated once inside exclude so many people.

Ace Community Events works with Local community stakeholders to organise high quality, fun, accessible events. We have a number of events that will and already have taken place during 2025.

We have recently supported the Lochee larder Fun Day, providing popcorn, candy floss & slushies, we also supplied them benches and tables and an inflatable, we did this all free of charge.

We also supported the Lochee residnets and tenants association, by providing our 4x8m Gazebo to help with community consultation and engagement. Our program of community events for 2026 is increasing, as will our ability to support smaller community groups.

Ace Community events believe that those living in the poorest communities across Dundee in particular the Lochee ward should be able to attend and enjoy events without stigma or financial discrimination. There is no such thing as second class citizens we are all citizens of the city of Dundee and whether you live in Lochee or Broughty Ferry everyone has the equal right to attend events and enjoy themselves.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

The attendance at the aforementioned events very much shows the community support for the delivery of accessible events and the need for more events to be taking place in local communities. I have attached feedback from the Menzieshill Countdown to Christmas event which highlights the importance of these events.

At the point of writing this application with have Delivered our Easter Family Fun Day in Lochee Park, we have supported Lochee Larder Fun Day, we have also delivered the Charleston Family Fun Day, We will also be delivering the Menzieshill Countdown to Christmas Event, and supporting the Lochee Light Night.

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 development of Ace Community Events has come about as a result of conversations taking place with different community stakeholders and workers within the Lochee ward over the last twelve months.

Also the increasing success of events such as Menzieshill Countdown to Christmas, Lochee Light switch on and Menzieshill community centre family fun day have really shown the appetite for community events.

Through the planning and delivery of our Easter Family Fun Day in Lochee park, there was a huge depth of local community Support, with in excess of three thousand people attending the free event.

This has also resulted in the development of The Charleston Family Fun Day which took place on 23rd August 2025 in the Alec Craigie Green. This was a collaborative event with Ace Community Events delivering the event on behalf of the Charleston Local Management Group, Charleston Matters and Charleston Residents and Tenants association.

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

Ace Community Events aims to make events accessible to everyone, in particular those experiencing deprivation, through the delivery of high quality free events, we will bring a sense of worth and value to those who often feel neglected or let done due to the stigma they often experience as a result of deprivation. The heart of Ace Community Events Centres around community wealth building and building stronger more dynamic and vibrant communities that work together and celebrate together.

We believe that delivering high quality events can help to create positive memories and a strong sense of self-worth for both children and adults, supporting mental health and wellbeing. Also being able to deliver high quality for free at events takes away the stigma that is so often associated with poverty. Everyone who attends out events attends as an equal and is treated no different to anyone else.

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) We are currently seeking funding to cover the cost of the triple slush machine, we have submitted an application to Dundee rotary club and are seeking other potential funders. Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable) £ We recently purchased ten sets of portable tables and benches to create seating areas at our events. This was funded through a grant we received from Northwood Trust, to purchase equipment and fund part delivery costs of our free community events for twelve Months.

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).

Cost Heading	Full Costs (£)	DP Aid (£)
16.4m length Double Peak Branded Start tent	£3178	£3178
Totals	£3178	£3178

- 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

End of year accounts attached

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

Documents regarding price and specification of Star Tent. I have attached invoice for the purchase of portable tables and benches that we have made.

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

When delivering our events we gather data, regarding social and economic impact, where they are from, what could be done differently and what other events activities would the like to see delivered. Utilizing this kind of information will allow us to collate information from our events.

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 November 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 <u>City Plan</u> / <u>Local Community Plan</u> 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:	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
Easter Family Fun Day	3500people
Charleston Family Fun Day	500people
Menzieshill Countdown to Christmas	1500 people
Lochee Light switch on	1000 people
Supporting other locally organised community group events	1500 people
Outcomes / Indicators:	
High Quality Free events and attractions	
High attendance	
People enjoying themselves	
High level of participation	
City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome: Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	Target 2025-26
Outputs	Target 2020-20
Outputs	
Outcomes / Indicators:	