Ref: C2515

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

# Grant Application 2025/26

	Applicant Information
Name of Applicant Group	Community Empowerment Team
Activity Title	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (USAC) Activities Group
Grant Requested (£)	£1073.28

- 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.

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

	Maryfield		
	North East	Please note that communications regarding application will be sent to you via email unlindicate otherwise. All communication for t	ess you
	Strathmartine	application should be made to  dundee.partnership@dundeecity.gov.uk	.1113
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.  MAKE SURE YOU TICK ALL THE BOXES HERE  Have you:			
Rea	d the guidance sections of the form		V
Fully completed the information on the front of the form $\sqrt{}$			V
Provided a response to all sections of the application form $\sqrt{}$			
(including indicating a section as `N/A' where relevant)			
Checked that your budget adds up properly?			V
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?			
Incl	uded appropriate, measurable output	s & outcomes?	$\sqrt{}$
Prov	vided your groups accounts, or other a	appropriate financial information?	V
Sou	rced and attached all relevant quotes	?	V
(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?

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Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	LCPP cost of living support			
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2024-25? (If yes, list all grants below)			YES / NO	
Title of project funde	ed	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
Cost of Living Suppo	rt	2000	June 2024	Yes

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

The UASC activities group is a drop-in group which runs every Monday at Hilltown Community Centre 3:30 – 5:30pm and is facilitated by Social Work and myself.. The group was specifically setup after Social work in Dundee contacted Community Empowerment Team to share a need that Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) in Coldside, Dundee require support with some culture education and to integrate in the local and wider community. Social Work were keen to work on this project as partners.

This group is attended mainly by UASC in the local area but occasionally UASC from wider Dundee attend.

The age group is predominately 16 - 19 years. Most members attend some form of ESOL provision, varying from a few hours per week to full time ESOL at college.

The aim of the group is for the members to gain knowledge nin the Scottish Culture and systems and increased confidence to access opportunities available to them such as volunteering, education, employment and community groups.

We are asking for funding to cover the cost of:

- weekly refreshments
- Four activities for the group to try new experiences in Dundee, to feel a sense of belonging, improve mental health, build positive relationships within the group, to reduce social isolation and to encourage integration.

The group expressed an interest in the activities included in this application.

The group has no other funding to afford to do these activities themselves.

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

Local Community Plans 2022-2027 community priority:

- We need to respond to the cost of living crisis: Cost of Living, Health & Wellbeing
- We need to improve the life chances for children and families: Cost of Living, Health & Wellbeing, Children

#### How many people will benefit from this project?

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

This is an open group for UASC who reside in the Coldside area, and sometimes they bring their friend from outwith coldside as they don't know many people in Dundee we don't turn them away.

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

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All of the members are at risk of social isolation, hate crime and racism in the local and wider community – more so with the current situation in the UK, on social media and in the news. It is a difficult time for the members as they do not have family in the UK.

This group meets these needs through providing a safe and welcoming informal drop-in where participants can meet others, access information, learn about the Scottish Culture and be supported to access wider opportunities to aid integration.

#### What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

#### 01/10/2025

Due to language barriers and cultural differences – feedback was difficult to get. How ever through whatsapp the group shared what activities they would like to do: Ten Pin Bowling, Go-Karting, Avertical World, Taza for a meal.

# 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?)

It was proposed by the members of the UASC Activities Group

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

By providing refreshments.

- Providing workshop delivered by other agencies such as DVVA, Employability etc
  Signposting to other community groups such as Scrapantics
  Sharing information on Scottish culture and social norms.
  Offering volunteer opportunities to develop transferable skills and possibly as way back into work
  Increasing confidence
- Improving outlook on life
- Encouraging integration

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)		
- None as this is a new group		
Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable)	£	

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 (£)
Refreshments for 18 weeks x £8.26	148.68	148.68
Trip to Go-Karting (£42.96 pp) x 10	429.60	429.60
Trip to Ten Pin Bowling (£9.25pp for 2 games) x 10	92.50	92.50
Taza £15.50 x 15 members	232.50	232.50
Avertical World (£14 entry + £3equitment hire) x 10	170.00	170.00
Totals	1073.28	1073.28

- 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)

A copy of emailed quotes from some activity providers A list of the remaining costs with links or images

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

Weekly attendance, weekly verbal feedback and recorded evaluations after each activity.

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)	10/11/2025
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	31/03/2026

## **Outputs & Outcomes**

**City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:** 

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:

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.

	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
Provide weekly refreshments to members of the USCA group.	Minimum 7 per week x 18 weeks = 126 overall
Provide one monthly activity for the members to attend for three months	10 individual per activity x 3 activities = 30 overall
Provide one large group get together at TAZA	15 members
The UASC group has 21 members however they don't all attend the	
group at the same time. The we have had was 16, the least 8.	

More members have shared an interest in going to Taza - we	
expected this number to be higher than the other activities above.	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Participants in the group have increased confidence	
Participants in the group try new experiences	
Participants in the group have increased health and wellbeing	