

Dundee Partnership **Community Regeneration Fund**

Grant Application **2025/26**

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Attic Project (under umbrella of St Luke's Church)
Activity Title	Youth Project
Grant Requested (£)	£15,660

- 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
East End
Lochee

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

Maryfield
North East
Strathmartine✓

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

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Fully completed the information on the front of the form

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Provided a response to all sections of the application form (including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant)

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Checked that your budget adds up properly?

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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?

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Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes?

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Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information?

To be sent Wednesday Nov 3rd

Sourced and attached all relevant quotes?

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

✓

Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	The Attic Project		
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2024-25? (If yes, list all grants below)			No
Title of project funded	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?

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

Summary of projects for funding request:

We are looking for further funding for a new youth project as part of Clanz which is a youth project in Kirkton. This is specifically to:

- develop a further youth club session on a Friday evening which will be targeted to younger teenagers in the Kirkton area who are currently needing youth provision. This would include detached work to engage and build relationships with young people needing engagement and youth work activities.
- Increase the resources of the Attic Lounge in terms of youth resources our so we are more equipped to provide fun and meaningful social activities for them in a positive community
- Provide for termly trips and an annual weekend away to further engagement and youth club cohesion, and allow for life enhancing positive experiences

Age range and area:

This would be specifically to target youth provision to younger teenagers aged 11 to 14 within the Kirkton area; but to be flexible on age as some groups of young people will include those slightly younger or older. If the need arises that we need to split the age groups, then we would run two sessions back-to-back for 10-13 and 13-16.

Number of annual sessions:

The Attic Project has run during term times with some trips in the holiday periods. We are therefore estimating 40 youth club sessions per year.

Duration of the youth club:

We would run the Friday evening youth club on the same pattern as Clanz on a Thursday, opening from 7pm to 8.30pm with a half an hour set up for all the staff team from 6.30pm and half an hour for packing away and a debrief session after the youth club. Therefore, the total time would be 2.5 hours in youth work staff time. The project lead would need some extra time for planning, and any external liaison and meetings so we would budget for 3.5 hours per week for the Friday youth club session.

Detached work:

We are planning for an ongoing detached work session in Kirkton and also going into Ardler, as the friendship groups of young people have tended to cover both, with young people from both attending Clanz on a Thursday.

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

City Plan Outcome:

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

Our motivation is to reach out to those in Kirkton who are clearly disengaged. We want them to be at the centre of our new Friday evening youth club. Our approach would seek to be enabling, empowering, and consultative with them in all we do so the youth club is developed with them and for them.

Local Community Plan Outcome:

Outcome: *“We need community spaces in Kirkton to meet the future needs of the local community”*

The Attic Project is situated centrally on Beaulieu Avenue in the line of shops and often the young people are on their bikes in that area. It is already known as a visible community hub that has served children and young people for several years. We would want to improve the upkeep of the Attic so it is very purpose shaped for the needs of local young people and facilitate a further youth club evening on a Friday evening to make it a centre for them where they can feel it is a place set up for them.

How many people will benefit from this project?	
Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic) There are already significant numbers of young people hanging out in the Kirkton area, especially around Beaulieu Avenue, and also in Ardler near the Community Centre. The Attic Project has a historic relationship with the two local secondary schools Baldragon Academy and St Paul's Academy through running lunch clubs in both schools up until the end of the academic year in 2024. We have been in contact with both schools with a view to restart a lunch club provision. On a Thursday evening at Clanz a total of 80 young people engaged with Clanz over the last academic year (August 2024 to June 2025). This funding application would benefit the younger teenagers in Kirkton and some from Ardler in the 11-14 age group specifically in terms of the new youth club session. The part of the funding application to further equip youth work resources at the Attic would benefit all the young people attending and the needs have been highlighted by the existing	

youth club at Clanz. The part of the application to redo the art work outside the project which has been very appreciated by all the young people and all visitors to the project, as well as the staff team, will also benefit the Kirkton community especially young people who the art is targeted for in terms of ownership.

The funding for the weekend away will benefit both the youth at Clanz and the new youth club as we would aim to take young people from both clubs to a joint weekend.

There is therefore potential to reach more than a thousand young people living in the area, especially through advertising in the schools, but we would target as a priority the youth who are using the street areas of Kirkton before advertising wider.

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

Background:

In the 2020 statistics for the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation, the Strathmartine Ward in Dundee had 28% of children deemed as living in poverty. Kirkton has been deemed in the bottom 5% of Scotland for social deprivation. In the central part of the neighbourhood of Kirkton, 42% were deemed as income deprived; 27% employment deprived; and between 23% and 32% in this particular area were being prescribed medication for anxiety; depression or psychosis. One fifth, were deemed to be living in overcrowded housing. In 2021, the Strategic Needs Assessment for Dundee report described particular concerns of 'youth mental health, poverty and lack of access to opportunities.' Some have struggled at school. In 2022, there was a youth riot in Kirkton on Halloween evening that made the national headlines.

Engaging with young people when they are teenagers and bringing positive input into their lives has an impact also for the community in terms of adults, especially engaging with those who are in families that are more vulnerable and need care. Youth club provision can help aspirations and building a positive community of young people is diversionary from forming gangs as a means of identity and group culture.

The current need:

Currently there are groups of teenagers in Kirkton who are bored and sometimes can engage in minor challenging behaviour. Some may be also facing life challenges. This

would aim to be a positive supportive and encouraging youth club for them offering a range of activities like sports, arts and crafts, discussions, and other positive input.

The current youth club 'Clanz' meets on a Thursday and is a very settled youth club with a number of older teenagers (and younger siblings) from the Kirkton area, many who are in positively engaging in school, college and work. Often, we have groups of new younger teenagers coming, who need positive youth work and we have come to realise that opening a different additional evening for them with more structured activities will help them settle and better focus on engagement with them, so we are giving more focus to them. This could also be a good transition for some to come on a Thursday if they wanted to. Therefore, the difference of the two evenings would be more based on activity, than age, but would allow for engagement with many more teenagers, while also maintaining the settled atmosphere of the existing Clanz evening. In terms of the current picture of local needs, the age of the youth club on Friday will on the whole be younger than Thursday evening as that is the need especially that is evident in Kirkton currently.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Friday evening youth club:

We have been in regular discussion with the young people at Clanz for several months about opening a further youth club evening. This has included dialogue with the younger teenagers who are our target group for a Friday evening youth club. We have also been in discussion with those active in the local community about local needs and the age range that would most benefit the young people in the Kirkton community currently.

Further youth resources at the Attic:

On Thursday evening October 30th we did a consultation with the youth club at Clanz to identify ideas for new resources for young people at the Attic Project. The goal is that new resources will benefit both the new youth club on Friday and the existing youth club on Thursday. After working in groups for ideas, we worked as a whole group to do a ranking exercise to prioritise and ensure recommendations were representative of all the young people.

The weekend away and trips:

The idea for the weekend away came from the Youth Committee at Clanz several months ago and we regularly have discussed this idea with them. We have always taken the ideas for trips from young people and voted on them within Clanz so it is meaningful for them. We would take the same approach with the new youth club on a Friday evening.

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 ideas for this have both been discussed with young people, and with the management of the Kirkton Community Centre who have helped us significantly in identifying the age range we need to target for a Friday evening session.

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

(Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

The young people who we would be reaching out to in detached work and in the youth club, are living in Kirkton which is identified as a deprived area. The Strathmartine Ward has been identified as in the bottom 20% for social deprivation in the 2020 Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation, and the central area of Kirkton has been particularly highlighted within that report as having higher social needs.

By forming a meaningful youth club community this allows the young teenagers to engage positively with a place that is theirs and to experience positive activities and receive

support in times of challenge. There are many in the Clanz youth club who are now in work or college, and they would also be an example to other teenagers which is why we would want a holistic approach to both the sessions and have times of functioning as a whole project, although the activities and ages may be different on different evenings.

Increasing resources in the youth club, and also in redoing the artwork outside the building, is all for the benefit of the young people who will use it, so that is a special place for them as a centre in the heart of Kirkton 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)	£
We had received £5000 from the Scottish Episcopal Church Enable Grant earlier this year, which will mainly be used for the continued costs of running Clanz on a Thursday evening. We had included in that grant application that we proposed to also run an additional session of youth work to Friday, but the central focus of the application was for sustaining Clanz. So we will just use a small part of it to make a contribution to piloting the Friday youth club during December up to a review and proper full start in January 2026. But we would need to apply for the funding under the Youth Diversionary Fund for sustaining a Friday evening youth club. We would also be applying to the Youth Inclusion Fund for further equipping the youth centre and providing for a weekend away, that would benefit all youth club evenings. We have some reserves for the youth club Clanz on a Thursday evening, and Kidz Club on a Monday, but would need further grant funding to expand the youth work to a Friday youth work session and detached session.	

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 (£)
Salaries for the team staffing of the new Friday youth club. This is on the basis of 40 sessions per year including termly trips: Three sessional youth workers: at £15 p/h Friday youth club $3 \times 2.5 \times 40 \times £15$ Alongside the project lead, this allows for one staff member per the three areas of the Attic Lounge (lounge/hall/garden) with one staff floating between areas, and all volunteers as additional staff. Staff support: termly supervision 4 terms $\times 1 \times 15 \times 3$ Salaries for the detached work session On basis of 2 workers for 2 hours per week ensuring 20 sessions per year	£4680 £4500 £180 £1200	
Staff development Training workshops Four team workshops per year Staff team (6) at 3 hours for 4 workshops Budget for trainers if some external (two delivered in house) and resources Refreshments for team workshops over the year (plus volunteers)	£1000 £720 £250 £30	
Re-painting of outside from artist This is the details of the quote for redoing the original work of Pammie Bennet-McGurk	£2000	

Materials:		
Masonry paint	£100	
Spray paint	£400	
Specialist Artist Hours for 4 panels		
Prep and paint design	£1500	
Resources total:	£2580	
<i>Food/snacks for Friday evening youth club</i> £25 p/w over 40 weeks (on average for Clanz)	1000	
<i>Resources for Friday evening activities:</i> Arts and craft materials for sessions (£5 × 40)	200	
Sports equipment: Footballs	40	
<i>New equipment to further engagement:</i> Pool Table	500	
Play Station 5 (second hand)	300	
<i>Kitchen equipment specific for youth:</i> Blender for youth making smoothies	30	
New cups for drinks	30	
<i>Lounge improvement youth specific:</i> Bean bags (2)		
Throws (5)	150	
LED strip light	100	
Lamp (for prayer room)	30	
Phone charging docks	60	
	50	
<i>Miscellaneous for youth project:</i> Stationary (flip charts / pens)		
Printing (flyers) – opening and one event	20	
Lanyard cost for detached work	50	
	20	
Trips and weekend away:	£4200	
Trips	800	
Rapper performance for both clubs	400	
Weekend away for Clanz and Friday club	3000	
Totals	15660	

- **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)

Costs for each resource applied for.

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

Quantitative outputs: Numbers attending Friday youth club

Qualitative outputs: Numbers of sessions / activities carried out and numbers engaged

Outcomes:

- Retention of young people at the youth club
- Young people feedback (individually and group feedback)
- Tangible positive outcomes for the young people
- Monitoring to see if there is any impact on statistics for youth specific anti-social behaviour in the community on evenings when the youth club is open (this is hard to measure, but has been measurable for a similar project in a different region that youth crime reduced when the youth club was running)

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*)

January 2026

Following a pilot from December 5th 2025

What is the planned end date of the event/activity?

Ongoing (annual basis)

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:	
City Outcome: <i>“Dundee will be a caring city which has tackled the root causes of poverty and delivered fairness in incomes, education and health”.</i>	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
The project will seek to show care, encouragement and a positive place to connect for young people in Kirkton.	
	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
Numbers of young people attending the Friday evening club	70
Numbers of young people engaged in specific activities	50
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Reflections of young people on the benefits of the project for them through discussion groups and one to one feedback	
Numbers of young people who are settled into the youth club regularly	35

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:	
Local Community Plan Outcome: <i>“We need community spaces in Kirkton to meet the future needs of the local community”</i>	

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:

The Attic Lounge is centrally located in Kirkton and can be a community space that young people can enjoy and meet at. There is also the pleasant garden space at the rear of the Attic Project.

	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
Numbers of young people attending the Friday youth club	70 over the year
Monitoring numbers specific to Kirkton	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Young people regularly attending and engaging well with staff	35