

Dundee Partnership Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application 2024/25

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Guru Nanak Gurdwara
Activity Title	Langer (Community Food)
Grant Requested (£)	£2860

- 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
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PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR

Coldside	Small Grant
East End	Physical & Environmental Improvement
Lochee	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
- 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)	Guru Nanak Gurdwara		
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2023-24? (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)

We are applying for this grant to continue making fresh, healthy vegetarian meals for local residents of Coldside who are struggling with cost of living. The grant will be used to buy ingredients for the meals, cover some utility costs for cooking the meals and containers for portioning the meals.

We have already piloted making and distributing 600+ free meals to food projects across the Dundee Community Network city wide. We are now looking to localise this and target provision within the Coldside Ward, having built partnerships with, and provided meals to, food projects and support services in the area. This funding would allow us to strengthen these relationships

and build new ones, as well as give us time to assess and work towards longer term sustainability of the project.

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

City Plan: be a caring city which has tackled the root causes of poverty and delivered fairness in incomes, education and health

Local Community Plan: **We need to respond to the cost of living crisis**

How many people will benefit from this project?

Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)
We can produce and distribute 150 meals per month on a fortnightly basis for the ward (anticipating one meal per person). We would be aiming to work with 2 food-based projects in Coldside - Hilltown Community Larder (which we have previously provided meals to) and Maxwell Centre. Through research carried out by Faith in Community Dundee with these projects, we know across all they support families, single people, older people and people struggling with in-work poverty. We are also aiming to continue working with Lily Walker Centre to support mainly single people residing there who are struggling with homelessness. We are

also aware of asylum seekers accessing food provision support in Coldside, particularly in Hilltown Larder, who can benefit from the meals.

Our 15 volunteers from minority ethnic backgrounds are also significantly positively impacted by this project. It has imbedded intergenerational engagement within our own faith community, and it breaks down barriers and facilitates engagement with the wider local community, raising awareness of local needs which our volunteers are encouraged to respond to (around 12-15 volunteering regularly).

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

A key tenant of our faith is to feed people as an act of service. The needs we have seen while piloting our food provision has driven us to seek ways to help and serve more people. Sharing our culture in the form of food is already helping us build connections locally, and we believe this breaks down barriers and allows us to build community resilience by working together. We are also aware of the need for food provision in the ward through serving hot food to local residents at the Gurdwara every Sunday (which we will continue to fund ourselves).

The research carried out by Faith in Community Dundee highlights the mixed demographics of people accessing food provision within Coldside who can benefit, and also the scale of need within the area, with 400+ people a week accessing food support.

We are also aware that the variety of healthy food options which can be provided by local food providers, mainly larders, can be limited due to projects capacity and reduced access to additional resources and funding. With less Dundee City Council funding to purchase food for larders this year, with a view that this may come to an end in March 2024, providing meals to the projects helps to reduce their food costs and enables them to provide more variety and healthier options to local residents who otherwise may struggle to access this. Our food, particularly our lentil dhal, is rich in protein, and our dishes can also be catered for those with food allergies, particularly those with a gluten intolerance, who may face barriers to purchasing this food due to high cost and limited local access.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

The data gathered by Faith in Community Dundee as previously outlined highlights the need and proposed impact of our proposal, and we have consulted directly with two local projects we have already worked (Hilltown Larder and Lily Walker Centre), who want the meals to continue. We also took part in a locality meeting with other local projects and the community empowerment team where it was highlighted our meals serve a need within the ward and we were encouraged to submit an application.

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<p>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?) Our existing relationship with local projects and the locality meeting as outlined.</p>

<p>How will the project / activity tackle deprivation or benefit those experiencing deprivation? (Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes) Consultation carried out by Faith in Community Dundee with Hilltown Larder, Maxwell Centre and St Salvadors Drop in identified that the key reasons people attend those projects for food support are low income and debt, and findings from the Engage Dundee consultation also highlight that within the Coldside area, around 30% of people surveyed struggled a lot with the cost of food, with around 45% struggled with the cost of gas and electricity. We believe providing fresh healthy food which can be reheated at home at a very low cost goes some way to reducing residents food and fuel costs. The meals are also locally accessible within food projects we partner with, reducing the cost for travel to access food, particularly food which is healthy and nutritious and caters to food intolerances, that is otherwise difficult to access. By increasing local residents opportunity to have more choices around the food they consume and have access to food which is nourishing and meets their needs, we believe we are responding to a local community plan outcome and are fulfilling key tenants of Nourish Scotland's Dignity Principles which underpin how food projects provide dignified access to food for people experiencing food insecurity; <i>A sense of control: Having power to make choices about what, where, when, how and with whom you eat.</i> <i>Nourished and supported: Being able to enjoy food and access support that meets your needs.</i></p>

<p>For Physical & Environmental Improvements (which must be Capital worth at least £6,000 in value) the following questions must be answered: N/A</p>
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<p>Have all relevant permissions been agreed? (please state what these are) How will the planned project be maintained? (please state who will be responsible for this) What is the expected 'life' of the improvement? (e.g. before it will require replacement) 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)</p>
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<p>What other sources of funding have you secured / tried to secure for this project?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If none, please state why this is the case <p>(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)</p>	
Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable)	
Gurdwara contribution <i>(We have so far committed £1000+ to fund the previous initial pilot of meals)</i>	£500

<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 (£)
Meals July 2024-Mar 2025	1350	£2700	£2200
<i>(150 meals x 9 months)</i>			
Cost of ingredients per meal	£2.00		
Utilities		£360	£360
Takeaway Tubs		£295.65	£295.65
	Totals	£3355.65	£2855.65

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <p>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</p>

What other documents are you attaching to evidence the budget costs for this application? (e.g. quotes, estimates, projected income and expenditure)
Cost breakdown for food and utilities and quote for cost of tubs

How do you intend to monitor the project Outputs and Outcomes?
Ongoing consultation with partner projects re meals distributed

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)	1/7/24
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	31/3/24

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

Local Community Plan: **We need to respond to the cost of living crisis**

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome: Developing Partnership actions to mitigate the cost of living for residents in Coldside.

<i>Develop spaces where people can get advice, food and a place to be – we will be working with existing spaces to provide food to</i> respond to cost of living and health and wellbeing needs within community	
	Target 2024-25
Outputs	
Produce 150 fresh, healthy meals per month	July 24 – March 25
Distribute 150 fresh, healthy meals across 2-3 projects within Coldsider	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Improving access to fresh, healthy food for est. 150 people per month in Coldsider	July 24 – March 25
Improve local projects ability to provide healthy food options for Coldsider residents	