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Dundee Partnership
Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application
2024/25

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Dundee West Community Trust
Activity Title	Friday Night Youth Diversionary Project
Grant Requested (£)	£1,080.00

- 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
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

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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) ☐

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)	Dundee West Community Trust	
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?
Drop In Lunchtime Sessions	£1560	16/12/21	YES
Drop In Lunchtime Sessions	£4260	31/03/2022	YES

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

To support with the setup of a weekly drop in Friday Night Youth Diversionary Project at Charlotte Street's 3G pitch run by local young people for children/teenagers based within the Strathmartine community.

The project will target young people aged between 10-16 years old with the opportunity of attending a safe place to go on a Friday night and reduce the increased risk of anti-social behaviour around hot spot areas. The sessions will attract 80 youngsters with 70% of them coming from SIMD 1 & 2 areas where we will provide participants with boots and equipment to play weekly free football sessions and support improve young people's physical and mental health.

The project will involve new ways to use the power of football to hook in young players to come along and utilise the Trust's brand-new facility and enhance the opportunities for young people in the community to develop better friendships and new skills such as their confidence, resilience, teamwork and communication to take back into their general life.

There is a lack of opportunities for this type of work that is free and on a Friday night in the Strathmartine Ward which is key to why we aim to deliver these sessions that are accessible and inclusive for everyone to attend on a Friday night between 7pm to 9pm.

All sessions will be led by 3 young coaches aged between 16-20 years old under the management of the Community Trust Manager to support improve employability and to showcase further opportunities to create a community-based activity that allows coaches to act as role models for young players attending. The employment of these young people will not only encourage positive active roles in their community but will act

as a hugely important first experience of formal employment. The coaches have been identified through Dundee West's partnership working in Baldrigon Academy where they have delivered coaching courses to senior pupils competing their sports leaders' course and finding paid work.

The support of this grant is crucial to help get the project up and running but to also ensure that we have enough staffing to cover the capacity of young people attending the weekly evening drop-in sessions and ensure it's a project that is ran with quality and support where young people feel safe, happy and a place they wish to return again the following Friday night.

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

Respond to the cost in living crisis – We will not only provide free healthy safe services to young people on a Friday night, but we will provide additional food to all participants every session through other partners including Dundee Bairns and Asda/Tesco donations along with with free trainers and football boots to those who cannot access these due to financial barriers.

Quality green and open spaces that people can access in their own communities –

We will provide a safe open space for young people to have free access to play football and improve physical activity within their local community. This is a brand-new facility that will open for everyone to come along that ensures it inclusive but also accessible as it's walking distance for lots of young people to attend.

Reduces Unemployment - We Provide crucial initial Employment to 3 local underachieving Young People, which evidence suggests, drastically improves their Employability chances in the future

IMPROVES PHYSICAL, MENTAL EMOTIONAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE - we provide not only 2 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.

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.

How many people will benefit from this project?	
Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)	
60 Male & 20 Female aged between 10-16 years & 3 Males aged 16-20 years with employment.	

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

Regular meetings and conversations around the Strathmartine Community Safety and Justice Group has highlighted the lack of opportunities for young people that is free and accessible to go along on a Friday night and has attracted more challenges and anti-social behaviour within the local community.

Dundee West CT have engaged with the Strathmartine Empowerment team to deliver a Halloween football event in the Downfield area and attracted over 60 participants allow with engage with Dundee West Youth Work to support deliver football interventions on a Monday & Wednesday evening in the Ardler Complex and on a Thursday evening in the Kirkton area and attracted a lot of young players to enjoy playing football, staying active & reducing the amount of anti-social behaviour and believe this is a fantastic opportunity to offer more young people somewhere to play on a Friday night.

We have already started to trial run and demonstrated over 60 young players attending the sessions which is why we are showcasing the need for additional staff members that are local and engaging with some of the younger players coming along.

Dundee West Community Trust want to offer a full timetable of football activity for the community throughout the week and the opportunity to run a Friday night project on a brand-new facility in the Strathmartine Ward has been supported by the Strathmartine Community Safety and Justice group led by Mark MacDonald.

Furthermore, Dundee West CT work closely in all local primary and secondary schools in the Strathmartine Ward and are actively engaging with more young people interested in coming along the weekly sessions. Feedback from young people have highlighted the lack of opportunities and to have a place to come along with mates on a fantastic new facility is exactly what the community are looking for led by young people!!

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Conversations with Mark MacDonald, the Strathmartine Community Empowerment Team and partners that sit round the table of the Strathmartine Safety and Justice group.

Discussions have been held with senior manahement staff in all local schools that have all supported the idea of this type of project to support more young people in the community and further conversations with families and parents that have been looking for somewhere their children can attend that is safe and won't risk the chances of them getting into trouble!

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?)

Over 60 participants have already started attending the provision as a trial run as they see this project as being an important part of their lives providing, diversion, free healthy activities and further support.

Based on conversations held at the Community Safety & Justice Group we sit round the table with local people, police, youth work, Scottish Fire & Rescue work team & other key partners they have all reported on challenges they have faced with young people on a Friday night with anti-social behaviour and have expressed a keenness to support this type of positive work in the community that will benefit young people and find more positive destinations for them to attend on a Friday night.

The group have also highlighted the lack of opportunities for young people on a Friday night and expressed concerns that if local groups don't provide further opportunities such as this Youth Diversionary Project the impacts it can have on the community.

The Local Community plan priorities identified by local people talk about the need for responses to cost of living crisis, creating activities that promote improved life chances of children and families and targeting SIMD areas. The Friday Night Youth Diversionary Project can do this with funding to support help it take off.

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 young people in their local community in an attractive facility that will bring people together from all different backgrounds of deprivation to

participate through football interventions. It is open to for any young person to attend, but will specifically target vulnerable groups and target young people in the Starthmartine Ward living within SIMD 1 & 2.

The project will also tackle young people unemployed by providing further opportunities to be employed coaches in a SIMD area of the city. The project will work closely with the Starthmartine Community Empowerment Team and Dundee West Youth Workers to ensure it meets these outcomes IE young people who congregate in Strathmartine CRF hotspots areas in the evening, young people who live within SIMD 1 & 2, young people from BME community and young people who the school have concerns for.

All these groups I have detailed above are statistically more likely to suffer from deprivation and poverty and health inequalities.

The additional part of involving and employing young coaches will strengthen our processes for targeting young people negatively affected by poverty and exclusion.

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)

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)

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)	£

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 (£)
3 Coaches @ £15 per hour x 2 hours per session x 12 weeks/sessions of activity	£1,080.00	£1,080.00

Totals	£1,080.00	£1,080.00

- **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)

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

Regular conversations and surveys with participants/young people attending the weekly sessions along with feedback from partners on the safety and Justice Group that can highlight the positive impact the project is having in the local community.

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*)

Friday 10th January
2025

What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	Friday 28 th March 2025
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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:	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2024-25
Outputs	
12 x free, healthy session led Diversion activities delivered	12 Sessions
Around 80 young people engaged in Safe free local Diversion at nights 60-70% of participants to be from SIMD Areas	80 Young People
3 young people provided with crucial first employment opportunity	3 young people employed locally
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Large groups of young people attending report to being safer, healthier and better supported and less likely to make negative decisions	Approx 50-60 participant feedback surveys completed
Effects of poverty addressed and barriers to community engagement reduced	Approx 80 young people able to access food, football boots and clothes. 60-70% of participants will come from SIMD 1 and 2 Areas.
3 Young people report on having improved skills for like and work	3 reports

<p>3 Young people are empowered and motivated to work and become active community citizens</p> <p>Youth unemployment likely to be prevented, local employment certain to be increased</p>	<p>3 Young people Empowered, and positive community members created</p> <p>3 local Jobs created and taken up by local young people</p>
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	Target 2024-25
Outputs	
Outcomes / Indicators:	