

Cardiff and the Vale Schools Fund



Funding criteria: community and voluntary organisations

The Cardiff and Vale Schools Fund aims to support the following:

- projects that support the educational development of children from early years to 18 years
- extracurricular school based projects that support health matters and healthy living

Grants available

- Organisations can apply for grants up to £2,000 a year for up to three years.

Who can apply?

- Schools in the Local Authority areas of Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan running projects to promote education which falls outside of statutory provision. (E.g. after school clubs, breakfast clubs, gardening projects etc.)
- Charities and not for profit groups working with children and young people who attend schools within the Local Authority areas of Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan for projects/activities beyond National Curriculum provision.



How to apply?

Applicants must complete an online application form which can be accessed via our website.

Please note:

- Grants will not be awarded retrospectively i.e. for costs incurred before receipt of our grant offer letter, and the signed terms and conditions have been returned.
- Grants are not available to support fundraising for other groups and charities.
- Grants must be fully spent within one year of receipt of our offer letter.
- The application must show a clear need for financial support, financial hardship or additional support needs.

For more information, visit www.communityfoundationwales.org.uk

Multiple Year Funding

We recognise how important it is for groups to be able to plan for the future and that having secure funding can give you the confidence and reassurance to develop your project over the long-term. The Cardiff and the Vale Schools Fund now offers groups the opportunity to apply for multi-year funding of up to 3 years but will also continue to offer 1 year project or small capital item funding.

We hope to be able to make at least **one three-year grant per year**. To be considered for a three-year grant please complete the additional section of the application form indicating how you plan to develop your project over the period of funding being applied for. Your application will still be considered for one year funding if you are not successful with a three-year grant.

We also recognise the challenge of finding core funding, especially longer term. Groups can now apply for funding towards core costs for up to 3 years, providing the group can provide accounts for at least the last 12 months and the amount being applied for is less than 50% of your annual turnover. For example, to apply for a grant of £1,000 per year, your annual income should be at least £2,000.

The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015

The Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. It requires organisations in Wales to think about the long-term impact of their decisions, to work better with people, communities and each other, and to prevent persistent problems such as poverty, health inequalities and climate change.

We are keen to encourage organisations to think about not just the community in which they live and work, but also how their work aligns with and complements the services and activities of other groups and organisations both voluntary and statutory.

We would like you to think about how your organisation can work together with others to add value, working in partnership rather than in competition. In your application, please explain your plans for the future as well as for the present, we would like to see how groups are thinking about the long-term impact of their decision making to work with and alongside others.

