



LANCASHIRE VIOLENCE REDUCTION NETWORK

WINTER CONTINGENCY FUNDING FOR VIOLENCE AND VULNERABILITY

PROVIDED TO THE LANCASHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER AND ADMINISTERED BY THE VIOLENCE REDUCTION NETWORK

Purpose of Funding:

To help ensure that children and young people are kept safe from serious violence, county-lines activity and other forms of exploitation. The funding should be used to mitigate negative effects to protective factors caused by COVID-19 related restrictive measures.

The Grant may be accessed by charities and social enterprises that support vulnerable young people (0-25 year olds) at risk of involvement in serious violence during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Project or Programme for which you are applying for funding for, MUST:

- Address an identified need
- Have a clear project or programme plan with clearly defined outcomes
- Primarily support vulnerable young people aged 0 - 25 years
- Be properly costed

The funding can be used to cover costs incurred from 5th November 2020 up to 31st March 2021 provided the project or programme funded meets the criteria detailed above.

Recipients of Funding:

To be a charity or social enterprise, includes: Registered Charity, Charitable Incorporated Organisation, or a Social Enterprise (including companies limited by guarantee and community interest companies).

The Charity or Social Enterprise delivering the Project or Programme shall:

- Spend their Grant as soon as possible after receipt and the full grant amount is to be **spent by 31st March 2021**
- Demonstrate how activities provide positive outcomes for vulnerable young people
- Demonstrate value for money
- Be expected to report on the Outcomes and Impacts detailed below by midday on Friday 26th February 2021 – failure to report may put your second payment at risk - and to provide a final report on the outcomes and impact of the project or programme that has been funded by end of day on Friday 16th April 2021.

Amount of Funding that can be applied for:

To ensure a fair distribution of funding across the county and between organisations the Violence Reduction Network is looking for application of between £5000 - £10,000, although may be willing to consider a higher level of application where an applicant is able to demonstrate that the programme or project will be effective across the majority of Lancashire.

Payment to successful applicants will be in two stages with 75% of the funding being paid on approval of the application and 25% following receipt of the first Outcomes Report on or before midday on Friday 26th February 2021.

A second Outcomes Report will be required following the end of the funding period to be received by Friday 16th April 2021.



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Application Process:

Applications **MUST** be submitted on the Grant Application Template and all sections of the Template must be completed.

The details of the project or initiative should include clear Outcomes and Measures so that the effectiveness and impact of the work can be clearly identified.

The completed Grant Application Template should be submitted by **midday on Friday 19th February**.

It is appreciated that this is a tight turnaround but this will enable a decision on funding to be made and successful applicants notified by Wednesday 24th February which will provide about 5 weeks to ensure that the funding allocated is fully spent by 31st March 2021.

Successful applicants will be expected to complete and sign a Grant Agreement with the Police and Crime Commissioner which will contain the Outcome Reporting templates.

Completed applications should be submitted to: Robert.ruston@lancashire-pcc.gov.uk