

Three year funding, 2013-2016: achievements of grant aided organisations for the period 2013 – 2015



If each volunteer averaged just 1 hour per week during term time (39 weeks per year) at minimum wage it would provide an additional **£354,900** worth of support each year.

Examples of contributions towards the council priorities in the Council Strategy 2014-17 made by grant aided organisations

1. Jobs for local people

e.g. projects whose events and activities provide skills and employment training or improve educational attainment and projects that bring in funding and other resources from outside the city (inward investment).

- Supported 532 learners through community based training with a focus on priority areas, in partnership with local communities and other organisations
- Mela Festivals held, increasing the skills of people by participating in the activities and workshops. Mela provides jobs for artists, sound engineers, security staff, marquee and stage suppliers, as well as people employed by stall holders.
- Work on making a film which involved learning how to interview and be interviewed helped one course attendee to gain employment after 10 years out of work
- Local BME people attended ESOL, customer service skills and ICT courses as well as work clubs. These courses deliver critical skills to refugees and migrants and enable them to participate in economic activity, and during 2013/14 helped 18 people into paid work.
- People supported to find employment and assisted in the writing of CV's and helped with interview techniques. 16 people helped to go self-employed, and others wishing to start businesses advised.
- Supported 130 volunteers and 15 student placements.
- 124 children and young people aged between 7 and 15 years old attended the Film School programme. For some that find school and college challenging our activities help to increase confidence and self- control, encourage respect for peers and a positive approach to those guiding you in your activity.
- 3,112 young people aged 11-25 accessed advice/support over education, employment or training issues on 11,258 occasions.
- 8 newly created arts businesses have been assisted to start up

2. Prevention and early intervention and protecting vulnerable people

e.g. projects that provide early support to families, that improve the safeguarding of vulnerable children, young people and adults, that provide advice services for people in need, that enable people to live independently in their own homes, that keep people physically and mentally active, and that reduce anti-social behaviour

- 48 young people regularly attending meetings with LAGLOs (Lesbian and Gay Liaison Officers) increasing levels of trust and feeling of being supported by the police. A further 24 young people were given support via phone or email and some were referred to other counselling services.

- Provided Anti - Bullying programme for all our users, ran 6 workshops with the local police around building self-confidence.
- Worked with 95 young people (at least 35 men aged 16-24) who have been victims of crime and are seeking advice or support.
- Worked with 280 young offenders and 764 homeless young people, advising and supporting them to engage positively with society e.g. through finding housing and maintaining it, getting into and engaging with education/employment/training.
- Since April 2013, 1,237 children have been helped by their families being provided with furniture packages.
- 77 young people aged 13-25 (44 of which were under 16) from Southampton completed an Access course. 57 young people from Southampton engaged in our follow on programme.
- 31 young people currently receiving employment mentoring or being matched. 100% in a random sample of cases show progress in achieving goals set in development plans
- 437 vulnerable individuals or families supported through providing transport, befriending service, visiting and grocery shopping.
- 234 groups supporting children aged 0-14 (including child-minders, pre-schools, nurseries, toddler groups, sports and recreational groups, badged groups i.e. brownies, scouts guides, community groups – statutory, private and voluntary) borrowed toys and sports equipment from toy libraries

3. Services for all and City pride

e.g. projects that make the city a nice place to live – lots of activities and events, clean streets and beautiful parks, etc. – that increase volunteering and help people get involved in their local community.

- Over 70,000 toys were borrowed from toy libraries in the city. As children (particularly the under 5s) develop they quickly outgrow toys. Borrowing toys rather than buying them reduces household waste
- 120 young people took part in events like clean up days. We worked with central local housing office and tenant participation to identify issues in the Northam estate. They took photos of issues in the estate which the wardens then worked with young people to sort out.
- Supported 78 people involved in new and existing community groups, including support for the Big Local Partnership in Harefield and helping Sure Start parents to establish Friends of Sure Start groups across the city.
- 22 parent and toddler groups supported across the city.
- 500 voluntary organisations supported through provision of information, training and good practice guidance.

Case studies from three grant funded organisations

Breakout Youth

A quote from a group member on the impact of Breakout on their life...

“For me to finally come to a place and say I’ve got a problem, and I’m not expecting them to fix it, I’m not expecting them to do anything because, hell, nobody’s ever done that in my whole life. And they go away and they research and they find stuff out and they come in and they’ve got these brilliant resources... and you just, hello, this is a bit odd. And you get to know these people. You can rely on them to do that, you know. You’ve got a problem and they will go and find you some support. If they don’t know the answer right now you can pretty much guarantee that within a week, possibly two depending on how complex your question, they’ll have something for you. And it may not be exactly what you want to hear at the time. But it’s something you can use, and you can go away and think about it and implement change. And then you can go back and say ‘hey I did that thing that you said, and you know what? My life’s better’.”

City Eye

From Alcohol Pathfinders Filmmaking Project

After not working for 10 years I have got a job. The filming and learning to do interviews really gave me confidence. – P

From a City Eye Volunteer

Volunteering at City Eye has provided me with valuable professional experience within the cultural management sector to enhance my employability and skills. I am also delighted to be involved with Southampton Film Week 2013 because I think it is a great addition to the City’s cultural calendar. – J

Community Playlink

“We visit the toy library most weeks. There is always an excellent selection of toys which are suited to all ages and stages of development. In this economic climate I find the service invaluable as a way to keep up with my child’s learning stages without spending a lot of money on toys which could otherwise end up stored away after a month or so. The staff at the toy library are very friendly and professional and have taken the time to get to know what interests my son and bring along toys to feed his interest which delights him every time. My son is responsible for choosing the toys he takes home and this has improved his decision making and communication skills.

The toys are always clean and in excellent condition my son has also learnt to value the toys as he knows to take care of them to return them the following week – a great lesson!”

The son age 4 says.....”I love the toy library because they give me toys; the toy lady is so kind in helping me look for toys I like.

Community Chest achievements, 2013-2015



Projects funded include:

Arts	Parks & local environment
Astronomy	Personal safety
Community events	Pre-schools
Debt support	Recycling
Elderly people's groups	Residents groups
Local history	Sports groups (football, taekwondo, rowing)
Music	Uniform groups (brownies, guides, scouts)
Parent & toddler groups	Youth clubs

Community Chest grants awarded 2013/14

Totals for the year

	Applications Received	Grants Awarded	Total Spent	Success Rate	Average Grant
Round 1	41	24	£24,146	59%	£1,006
Round 2	34	21	£25,854	62%	£1,231
Total	75	45	£50,000	60%	£1,111

Round 1 Grants Awarded (July 2013)

Organisation	Towards	Granted
1st Weston Guides	Running costs - insurance, affiliation & rent - along with some group uniform items and other resources	£1,000
Abbekwai	Purchase of 48 judo mats to replace existing worn-out equipment	£1,296
Asperger Support & Social Group Southampton	Venue hire for 35 weeks and playworker fees for children's group	£1,000
Bassett Green Lunch & Laughs	Transport for elderly residents in the area and a dishwasher	£1,507
Bitterne StreetLIGHT	The use of the Veracity floodlights for two hours per week in the winter	£750
Busy Bees Toddler Group	Venue hire, insurance and playlink membership	£500
Catch 22 Active Women's Project	Hire of swimming pool and 2 instructors for 24 weeks	£1,380
Chamberlayne Leisure Centre (Active Nation)	A variety of sports equipment for a Summer of Sport holiday club	£350
Culture Hampshire	Development and promotion costs for website and leaflets	£500

Organisation	Towards	Granted
Freemantle Triangle Residents Association	Venue hire, publicity costs, refreshments, insurance, garden tools and skip hire	£1,000
Friends of St James Park	First Aid Training, Safeguarding Training, Tennis Coaching, Parent's Emotional First Aid Course and Printing costs	£2,000
Friends of Sure Start Southampton West	Items and events to set up and promote the group, including insurance, stationery, flyers, training and venue hire	£1,000
Lordshill and Lordswood Historical Society	Member transport costs for day trip, running costs & speaker fees	£200
Making A Scene	Equipment to make a film to raise awareness of mental health issues for the 2014 Southampton Film Festival	£2,000
Pleasant View Gardening Club	Climbing plants, shrubs, rose bushes, spring bulbs, compost and soil conditioners	£406
Sholing Valleys Study Centre	Ongoing running costs, including: insurance, rates, electricity, telephone, water, stationery and printing for advertising	£2,000
SoCo Music Project	20 SoCo Live workshops, 20 SoCo Voices workshops and admin & promotion expenses	£2,100
Southampton Iranian Association	Set up and running costs; including insurance, meeting and office venue hire, phone costs, web development, printing costs and volunteer expenses	£500
Southampton Sight	Facilitator, volunteer expenses, training and admin expenses for peer support group	£500
Sport Solent - Friday Night Project	New community project for 13 to 18 year-olds in Millbrook; including - sports equipment, transport, workshops and professional coaches	£500
Swaythling Frontline Debt Advice (Formerly Just Money Centre)	Establishing a debt and benefit advice surgery in Weston; including - stationery, insurance, membership, supervisor, software and books	£1,157

Organisation	Towards	Granted
The Waterfall Trust	The franchise cost of running a Structured Day Recovery programme and travel expenses of clients accessing the programme	£500
Unit 11 Studios	Running and promoting a series of community workshops - including venue hire, equipment purchase and marketing expenses	£1,500
Way Ahead Community Group	Establish an art group for people with disabilities and mental health issues. Requested funding for art tutor, support worker, materials & room hire	£500

Round 2 Grants Awarded (January 2014)

Organisation	Towards	Granted
23rd Itchen North Scout Group	towards insurance	£551
ACTS	towards the costs of a sound system (24 channel mixer, amplifier, multicore 'snake', 100m twin core PA cable and connectors, 3 monitor speakers and connectors)	£1,080
Aurora New Dawn	towards the costs of barcode lip balms, personal alarms and information leaflets	£1,000
City of Southampton Swimming Club	towards the costs of equipment (inc. arm-bands, floats, noodles), staff uniforms and staff training	£1,202
Creative Options	towards the costs of venue hire, tutors for IT, crafts and wellbeing, travel expenses	£1,661
ETC (Elders Transport Committee)	towards accessible transport costs for older people to attend an intergenerational heritage project event at the SeaCity Museum	£545
Friends of Weston Shore	towards insurance, litter pickers, leaflets, banner & stand)	£1,062
Harmony Women's Support Group	towards the costs of events supporting women with HIV who are living in isolation (inc venue costs, stationery, volunteer	£1,000

Organisation	Towards	Granted
	expenses, refreshments, DJ)	
Itchen Imperial Rowing Club	towards equipment to run circuit training (inc. rowing machine, free weights, step hurdles and mats)	£1,705
Karpaty Polish Dance Group	towards traditional Polish dance costumes, protective storage bags and dance workshop in Stoke Mandeville	£2,500
Lost Butterflies Found	towards start up and basic running costs (inc. paper, postage, flyers, venue hire)	£649
Lundy Gardening Association	towards paving materials, a shed and trellis for the community garden	£920
Monty's Community Hub	towards the costs of dance sessions and arts and crafts sessions for the youth club	£2,500
Music Project Association	towards musical celebrations for the 50th anniversary of Southampton becoming a city, inc. commissioning a 'Southampton City Song Book', the costs of backing tracks to accompany the songs, venue hire for an event in summer 2014.	£1,000
Shirley Warren Community Art Club	towards the costs of venue hire and tutors for a variety of arts/crafts.	£1,867
Southampton Barrio Fiesta	towards seed money for a Filipino festival in summer 2014 (inc. hire of park, toilets, bins, PA system, temporary fencing, temporary staging)	£2,500
Southampton East Ladies Support Group	towards insurance, craft materials, volunteer expenses and admin (paper, ink cartridges)	£400
Southampton Gay Men's Chorus	towards venue hire for rehearsal space	£1,300
Southampton Wood Recycling Project	towards the costs of a van weighing system	£1,285

Organisation	Towards	Granted
The Sholing Environment Group	towards insurance and the costs of a spring fair (inc. toilet hire, bouncy castle, Punch & Judy, publicity, BBQ, refreshments)	£200
Uganda Community in Southampton	towards the costs of African arts and crafts and music and dance lessons for the children and young people (inc venue hire, insurance, flyers, refreshments, volunteer expenses and materials).	£927

Community Chest grants awarded 2014/15

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	Applications Received	Grants Awarded	Total Spent	Success Rate	Average Grant
Round 1	34	22	£24,947	65%	£1,134
Round 2	25	22	£28,684	88%	£1,303
Total	59	44	£53,631*	75%	£1,218

* Some unallocated one-off grant funding was available to top up Community Chest, above the £50,000 budget for 2014/15.

Round 1 Grants Awarded (July 2014)

Organisation	Towards	Granted
Chrysalis	Towards rent for meeting centre in Southampton, volunteer expenses, ink cartridges and printing paper.	£1,510
CISsters	Towards the costs of an event to promote the service to the public and agencies.	£1,000
Coronation Homes Social Club	Towards garden tables and chairs.	£2,046
Coxford & District Community Association	Towards the costs of bouncy castles and children's entertainment for community fun day on 30 August 2014.	£1,140
Friends of Hampshire & Wight Trust for Maritime Archaeology	Towards expenses for c140 volunteers supporting the Southampton Maritime Festival.	£1,250

Organisation	Towards	Granted
Friends of Town Quay Park	Towards the group's annual insurance.	£200
Joyful Jams C.I.C	Towards the costs of music, singing and dance sessions for adults with learning difficulties and dementia.	£1,500
Merryoak Computer Club	Towards general running costs (inc room hire, insurance, volunteer expenses, refreshments, toner, paper and PAT testing)	£2,500
Outer Avenue Residents Association	Towards the costs of the Bevois Mount History sub-group, inc design & print of calendar, venue hire for history day event & website costs.	£280
Polish Social Club	Towards 3 x PCs and accessories to help people looking for employment or training.	£1,379
Solent Amateur Astronomers	Towards venue hire for public lectures, ground rent and electricity costs.	£425
Southampton Coalporters Amateur Rowing Club	Towards the costs of replacement performance monitors for indoor rowing machines.	£1,200
Supporters of the Warren Centre	Towards the costs of redesigning, printing and distributing 20,000 copies of their brochure, advertising the centre activities.	£1,000
The Gambia Society	Towards venue hire, cooking sessions, researchers, stationery, insurance and volunteer expenses.	£2,000
The Wayne Howard Trust	Towards a laptop and printer for administration of charity (carried out by volunteers)	£415
Thrinjun Women Group	Towards the costs of insurance, swimming sessions, yoga sessions, language classes and singing and dancing sessions.	£1,500
Transition Southampton	Towards the costs of setting up a Repair Café (inc. publicity, venue hire, volunteer expenses, insurance)	£1,000
Weston Church Pre-School	Towards the costs of a new outdoor play surface.	£1,902

Round 2 Grants Awarded (January 2015)

Organisation	Towards	Granted
1st Southampton City Scout Group	Towards two tents for camping.	£495
BTC (Southampton) Amateur Rowing Club	Towards the cost of a new coastal pair rowing boat, which can be rigged as a double scull.	£2,500
Friends of Bitterne Library	Towards garden furniture, children's gardening sets, mobile notice board.	£591
Friends of Portswood Library	Towards the cost of an external noticeboard to be used by the library, Friends of group and local community groups.	£128
Friends of Portswood Rec	Towards insurance, newsletter, plants for moth garden, membership of Conservation Volunteers.	£761
Friends of Southampton Diving Academy	Towards the costs of volunteer training in first aid and safeguarding, for FOSDA activities/events.	£1,555
Friends of Woodmill	Towards insurance and basic tools for coppicing, weeding, digging and general light grounds maintenance.	£468
Janson Road Residents Group	Towards insurance, basic stationer and gardening tools.	£1,036
Manor Road Preschool	Towards the costs of building 'lean to' covers for waiting area and play area.	£2,500
Millbrook Local History Society	Towards a 15th anniversary celebration event (inc. hall hire and refreshments)	£700
Moorlands Community Association	Towards replacement windows and replacing external wooden cladding with UPVC.	£2,280
Newtown Residents Association	Towards the costs of venue hire for regular meetings, publicity (inc posters & flyers), Placebook Directory, and printing meeting papers.	£2,300

Organisation	Towards	Granted
North Southampton Community Forum	Towards insurance, hall hire, basic stationery and general running costs.	£395
QK Southampton FC	Towards equipment and publicity to attract new players for the youth teams.	£1,584
Russian Speaking Community	Towards arts/crafts supplies, insurance and hall hire for KOLOBOK early learning group.	£670
Soccer for All	Towards coaches, venue hire & publicity to create new teams for younger children, plus coaching training for volunteers to take over once their trained.	£1,429
Solent Youth Action	Towards replacement sheds and equipment for their allotment project.	£2,200
Southampton (Hardmoor) Opportunity Group	Towards insurance, Ofsted registration, publicity and stationery.	£1,013
Southampton Arts Centre	Towards the cost of refurbishing 2 phone boxes in Castle Way to use as exhibition space.	£1,037
Southampton Women's Forum	Towards the costs of a monthly film night (inc venue hire, film hire, license, refreshments & travel)	£1,732
Stratton & Hyde Association of Residents Projects (SHARP)	Towards insurance, basic stationery, gardening tools and litter picking accessories.	£810
UK Shaolin Temple	Towards the cost of high density EVA gym jigsaw floor mats.	£2,500