



## Coronavirus Response Fund

### Application Guidance: CCG Crisis and Recovery Grants

City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has provided funding for voluntary, community and social enterprise sector organisations working with communities during the Covid-19 crisis. Hackney Giving is distributing this funding on behalf of the CCG. £232,815 was distributed in September 2020 to projects serving a variety of communities but in this round Turkish and Kurdish communities were underrepresented and so we are now seeking high quality proposals from organisations working with these communities

£23,185 is available for distribution to one or more not-for-profit organisations working in Hackney and the City of London who can support the work of statutory health and social care services through the Covid-19 crisis and recovery. Please see the eligibility checklist and list of supporting documents required to confirm that your organisation can apply for funding.

#### Priority areas

Proposals may focus on one area or be working across a number of the priorities below.

1. **Supporting people remotely.** You will need to be able to demonstrate how your services will make a difference to the people they support and why it is important to them. Activities could include (but are not limited to) help to access statutory services, emotional support/befriending, helping to resolve practical issues, translation and signposting to appropriate specialist delivery. Remote delivery can include both phone and online support.
2. **Helping people recuperate and remain safe at home after illness.** You will need to be able to demonstrate how your activities will help people live safely following a period of illness (both coronavirus and other illnesses where social distancing rules are having an impact on care plans and recuperation).
3. **Supporting digital connectivity.** Projects funded under this theme must demonstrate how proposed activities will keep people connected to the communities and services that are important to them. Activities could include training to help residents use online services more confidently. Funding may be used to provide devices for vulnerable/older people, and for hardware to support remote work, as well as to provide phone credit.
4. **Communication and information.** Projects funded under this theme will help to ensure key messages reach diverse communities across Hackney and the City of London. We will fund advice provision in community languages and/or accessible formats such as easy read and large print. This provision should include messages from health providers, the Council and relevant voluntary and community sector organisations.

We are keen to work with partners who can gather community intelligence to feed into local impact assessment work.

Please note that activities we have listed under each theme are not exhaustive: that is, there are other activities that could be funded. Your knowledge of service user needs means that you may have different ways to support people under one or more of these four themes. You are welcome to apply with these ideas.

We would like to support organisations whose activities support and complement statutory health services.

## **Target groups**

Under the CCG Crisis and Recovery Grants round, we are particularly interested in proposals that will support the following groups:

- People with long term conditions
- People with complex needs
- Disabled people
- People with poor mental health
- Families facing additional pressure as a result of the Covid-19 crisis
- Older people
- People living in care homes and supported housing
- Carers
- People for whom English is not their first language
- Refugee and migrant communities
- People from diverse ethnic and cultural communities
- People living on low incomes or Universal Credit
- Homeless people
- People at risk from domestic abuse
- At risk children and young people
- People who have experienced bereavement
- People without access to online information

## **Partnership working with Neighbourhood Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs)**

The CCG has set out a significant role for Neighbourhood MDTs in supporting vulnerable people both during and after the crisis. Funded projects will be expected, where appropriate, to accept referrals made by Neighbourhood MDTs.

## **Maximum grants**

You may apply for up to £23,185.

## **Funding distribution**

There is £23,185 available for delivery.

## **Delivery period**

Projects may last up to 12 months.

## Reporting requirements

An interim monitoring report will be required half way through delivery, followed by a final report plus case study within three months of the end of your project.

## Eligibility

To be eligible for the CCG Crisis and Recovery Grants round of the Hackney Giving Coronavirus Response Fund, your organisation must:

- Work in Hackney and/ or the City of London with residents of Hackney and/ or the City of London
- Have a formal constitution or governing document
- Be constituted to be not-for-profit
- Have been operating for at least one financial year
- Have had a turnover of less than £1,000,000 in its last financial year OR for organisations with a turnover of more than £1,000,000, be working in partnership with a voluntary and community sector organisation with a turnover of less than £300,000 in its last financial year.
- Not be in overall financial deficit
- Have a bank account, requiring at least two signatories
- Be able to declare that all bank account signatories are unrelated (by blood or marriage) and living at separate addresses

Your proposal must:

- Be for a project operating in Hackney and/ or the City of London
- Not be for the benefit of a single individual

## Exclusions

Hackney Giving will not fund:

- Expenditure or activities that have already taken place. By this we mean that retrospective funding will not be awarded; applications may be for ongoing provision
- Services which are a statutory responsibility (i.e. are the responsibility of the Council, Government or Health Authorities)
- Projects that have no community or charitable element
- Projects that are purely for the advancement of religion or politics

Hackney Giving does not make grants to individuals.

## Repeat applications

You may apply to Hackney Giving if you have applied before.

## **Application process**

Please send your completed application form in MS word format (.docx) via email to [info@hackneygiving.org.uk](mailto:info@hackneygiving.org.uk) along with your supporting documentation.

We are unable to accept postal copies of the form.

**Please note:** We ask for the .docx format so that we can process applications efficiently, meaning that we can assess them more quickly and get an answer to you sooner. Your co-operation is appreciated. If you have any technical difficulty with the form, in the first instance please contact us for advice. If you are short of time and cannot contact us to resolve the issue, please submit your answers to the questions in a plain text email. Be sure to answer all questions including those with tick boxes.

## **Supporting documentation**

Please attach electronic copies of the following documents with your application:

- Your organisation's constitution
- Your organisation's most recent set of accounts or financial statement approved at your AGM
- A recent bank statement showing details of the bank account that you will use to receive any grant from Hackney Giving
- Your organisation's equal opportunities policy
- Your organisation's safeguarding policy/ policies.

## **Deadline**

Applications must be received by 9 November 2020, 9am.

In the interests of fairness, late applications cannot be considered.

## **Decision-making timescale**

We expect to be able to let you know the outcome by 19 November 2020.

We will let all applicants know the outcome of their application.