

# Introduction Hackney Giving in 2023-24

2023-24 was another busy year at Hackney Giving. We ran three application rounds to distribute new funding and had two sets of ongoing grants from the previous financial year.

Our grants supported communities affected by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria, Long COVID, and the cost of living, as well as increasing access to health services and financial support for people who experience barriers to provision.

A social enterprise, City and Hackney Urgent Healthcare Social Enterprise, which was closing, chose Hackney Giving to receive its balance.

It transferred more than £100,000 to us this year, which we have begun to invest as the start of a lasting endowment. This will give an ongoing source of income into the future.

We were excited to be the charity of choice for two iconic Hackney businesses: both Burberry and London Fields Lido supported Hackney Giving this year. We are grateful and extend a heartfelt thanks to the teams at both places.

Our own team has grown, thanks to further funding from City Bridge Foundation. The Foundation has been a key supporter of local giving schemes across London.

Its grant meant we could increase the staffing capacity on Hackney Giving, which has allowed us to promote our work more extensively and work towards widening our partnerships.

Going forward, we are continuing to work with London Borough of Hackney to distribute funding supporting people with the cost of living.

We are also using funds raised by the community, for the community, to fund events that bring people together.

We're looking forward to these street parties and events as a way to reduce isolation and increase wellbeing as well as having fun.



Sarah Watson
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## Our year in numbers



£262k distributed



**52** organisations funded



3 grant rounds



£105,600 invested in our endowment fund

### The work we funded

"Taking away some worry about not having enough money to buy food as well as fuel relieves so much anxiety and stress.
We've made the lives of over 100 households much better."

**Staff at Hoxton Trust** 

"This project came at just the right time! My good friend had just passed away, and I spent most of my days at home, wallowing in solitude and mourning the loss."

**Participant at Hotline Meals** 

"More painful than the breast cancer and radiation and chemo and all surgeries, was not having enough to feed the children. It is a huge relief that my two girls get their dinner at Butterfly Club."

Service user at Lev Echod
Cancer Care

"Having an understanding and trusting relationship with Hackney Giving meant that we were able to concentrate on service delivery to communities rather than the administrative and management aspect of provision."

Day-Mer, Turkish and Kurdish Community Centre

"I have only just bought a laptop and can now send emails ... this is brilliant. When it was explained it made sense all in front of us."

Participant at Skillspool Training

## Support from businesses

We are fortunate to have the support of local businesses in City and Hackney. Two of the local businesses that have given generously to Hackney Giving are profiled below.

#### **Burberry**

Staff at Burberry's shop in Homerton raised funds by eating together and sharing experiences.

On several days in December, members of the team brought in food from their own country or culture and offered it to their colleagues in exchange for a donation.

Burberry kindly matched every pound raised by its staff.



#### **London Fields Lido**

London Fields Lido is an ongoing supporter of Hackney Giving.

The first donations came from artists who were displaying their artwork in the corridors at the lido.

More recently, the lido has sold lost property and encouraged the people buying items to donate to Hackney Giving.

Thanks to all businesses who donate!



# Organisations we have funded in City and Hackney

In 2023-24 we funded the following organisations:

- ACE
- Acheinu Cancer Support
- Activiteens
- African Arts And Advice Centre
- AGROFOREP
- Apex Community Hub CIC
- Beersheba-Living Well
- Carers First
- Cheer Up Squad Ltd
- Chesed Hospital Transport
- Clapton Support and Advice
- Claudia Jones Organisation
- Community Hub
- Crohn's and Colitis Relief
- Day-Mer, Turkish and Kurdish Community Centre
- East End Citizens Advice Bureaux
- Gascoyne 1 Community Centre
- Hackney Congolese Women Support Group
- Hackney Doorways
- Hackney Quest
- Hackney Young People's University
- Happy Kids
- Hawa Trust
- Hot Line Meals Service
- Hoxton Trust
- Idia's Community Kitchen

- Just Kidding
- Lehachzikom UK
- Lev Echod Cancer Care
- Made In Hackney
- MDO Gives Back CIC
- Mind in the City, Hackney and Waltham Forest
- Mishon
- MRS Independent Living
- Parent Club
- Refreshing Minds
- SAIL Summer Adventures for Inner Londoners
- Shepherdfold Ministry
- Shining Stars London
- Skillspool Training CIC
- SkyWay Charity
- Sonshine Club
- St John's Soup Kitchen And Food Bank
- Step by Step London
- Sunrise after Cancer
- Teens Trailblazers
- Turkish Cypriot Cultural Association
- WHEAT Mentor Support Trust
- Yad Simcha
- Yad Voezer Day Centre Ltd
- Youth on the Move
- Youth Space

## Thank you

We are grateful to all who have supported Hackney Giving in 2023-24. This includes the staff and company at Burberry, London Fields Lido, individuals from Hackney and further afield, North East London NHS, London Borough of Hackney and City Bridge Foundation.

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