

GUIDANCE FOR APPLICANTS

OUR AREA OF BENEFIT & ELIGIBILITY:

- Grant-making is **restricted to Greater London** (within the M25 orbital motorway)
- Applications are accepted from charities, voluntary and community organisations.

PRIORITY IS GIVEN TO PROJECTS:

- Tackling an unmet health need; developing activities that will '**make a difference**'
- Targeted in areas of greatest need; evidenced by indices of poverty and social deprivation.
- Encouraging partnership with specialist agencies
- Run by organisations with an income of less than £1 million*; £500,000 for Small Grants.
- *(*An organisation with an income over £1 million may very occasionally be considered when its resources, expertise and role put it in a unique position to tackle an unmet health need in which London Catalyst has a significant interest. The restriction does not apply to the Samaritan Grant programme.)*

FREQUENCY & SIZE OF GRANTS

- Only one application in any 12-month period.
- Grants are normally for one year; very occasionally two, rarely longer.
- **Samaritan Grants:** according to demand and effectiveness; range £100 - £2,000.
- **Small Grants Programme:** range up to £3,000
- **Special Interest Grants:** range from £3,000 and determined by the purpose, evidence of need and likely impact of the project in tackling unmet health needs.

GRANTS FOR:

- All relevant project costs including salaries and staffing
- Capital costs where it can be demonstrated these match our stated priorities
- Hospices and Hospitals in the National Health Service (**Samaritan Grants only**)

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS:

If you are proposing to set up or develop a health project, including activities to access services and improve your users health and well being, we expect you to demonstrate:

- **Expertise:** a close working knowledge of the client group and relevant expertise or a willingness to work with expert partners from an external agency
- **Activity:** to take place in an accessible venue with purposeful user-centred activity.
- **Local knowledge:** work with local groups and agencies including the Primary Care Trust (PCT) or equivalent
- **Learning:** participants have an opportunity to develop interests, skills and knowledge, e.g. signposting to further learning or following a structured programme that includes an accredited training element (e.g. Royal Society for Public Health: Level 1 Health Awareness)

Counselling and Therapy: applications for counselling and psychotherapeutic services must meet all relevant professional standards.

GRANT PROGRAMMES

SPECIAL INTEREST GRANTS

This is our main grant programme through which we want to support thoughtful projects responding to unmet health needs and the limiting effects of poverty.

Applications are judged on how they might make a difference. We want to target our grant making in areas of greatest need, those London boroughs or wards with the highest indices of deprivation.

Successful applicants will have evidence to support their proposal and be clear about what they want to achieve.

Our Trustees are always interested in receiving thoughtful proposals from organisations tackling unmet health needs.

SAMARITAN GRANTS

These are grants available to social work teams, hospital teams, voluntary and community organisations and faith groups working directly with and able to distribute one-off grants to people in need.

SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

We make a limited number of smaller grants to help set up, or develop, health and social welfare projects in areas of high need. We are interested in specialist **volunteering and advocacy projects** that support people, and their carers, to access health and community services and other **activities to promote good practice and share specialised knowledge in health and social care.**

APPLY USING OUR APPLICATION FORM

Forms can be downloaded from our website

www.londoncatalyst.org.uk

or on request from the London Catalyst office.

The forms are not complicated and provide a format to help you to outline your request.

You may post or email the application form and attachments.

London.catalyst@peabody.org.uk

If you use email you must **post us a signed copy of the form** to complete the application.

Our Trustees usually meet in every third calendar month to consider grants.
As a general rule submit applications at least six weeks before the next meeting.

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