

## Small Grants Programme

East End Community Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality of life and opportunities for people living in London's East End. By funding grass roots organisations and directly delivering projects we aim to raise educational achievement, enhance employability and increase social cohesion. Our deep understanding of the needs of local communities and unique partnership with residents, frontline services and businesses enables us to provide targeted support and create lasting change.

Through its Small Grants programme, East End Community Foundation funds one-off items of expenditure or events.

### 1. How much money is available?

Organisations may apply for up to £800.

### 2. What are the grants for?

Grants generally cover one-off items of expenditure such as equipment, social outings, events or training.

To ensure funding is distributed fairly, EECF has limits for certain types of grants.

- A maximum of £250 is available per day trip and a maximum of two applications per organisation for this purpose are permitted each year.
- EECF offers a maximum of £200 per party and again a maximum of two applications per organisation will be considered each year.
- For exercise classes for adults, EECF will fund a maximum of £30 per hour and a maximum of 12 sessions per application for new classes. EECF expects participants to make some contribution towards the cost of exercise classes.

Applications for elders' day trips will not be considered from organisations in LAP 8 (Isle of Dogs/ South Poplar) as EECF already contributes towards the cost of coach hire through a central fund managed by Docklands 50+ Forum.

Projects which also have funding from other sources (i.e. EECF is not asked for 100% of the cost of the project) are welcomed.

**Please note if you are applying for equipment costs EECF will require a quote to verify the items and the retailer.**

### 3. Who can apply for the funding?

To be eligible to apply, organisations must:

- be a new or existing social or community organisation, i.e. not-for-profit
- be connected with and meeting the needs of the local community in Tower Hamlets

- be formally constituted
- have a bank account requiring two signatories

Applications from organisations that have a financial deficit will not be considered.

### 4. What types of activities cannot be funded?

East End Community Foundation will not fund:

- Expenditure or activities that have already taken place
- 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
- Foreign travel
- Mother tongue classes

East End Community Foundation does not make grants to individuals.

### 5. How do I apply for funding?

East End Community Foundation's small grants application form is available from our website, [www.eastendcf.org](http://www.eastendcf.org). Alternatively, if you need a paper copy, please contact the EECF Grants Team on **020 7345 4444** or [grants@eastendcf.org](mailto:grants@eastendcf.org)

### 6. Timetable

In 2017 there will be application rounds in February, June and October. Please check our website for more details on the forthcoming deadline.

We notify organisations of the outcome of their application 8-10 weeks after the application deadline.