Customer and Community Investment Fund Schemes: 2022 – 2023

Geographic spread of 2022/23 schemes



Mental Health

Charity	CCIF Scheme	Details of specific issues	Regions
Samaritans Kirkcaldy &	Community Outreach	Our outreach projects target specific communities known to be at highest risk of suicide, isolation and poor mental health. We provide support which gives individuals a unique	Kirkcaldy & District
District The Wave Project	Surf Therapy in Tynemouth & Dunbar	 opportunity to be heard and explore their feelings, often at a point of personal crisis. The Wave Project offers surf therapy to young people aged 8-18 who are at risk of poor mental health. All participants have been referred by social workers, GPs and schools. We facilitate 6 weekly surf therapy sessions, where young people are supported 1-1 by our trained volunteer surf mentors. As a result, participants have increased confidence, resilience and an improved outlook on life. 	Tynemouth & Dunbar
Bonnyrigg Rose Football Club	Supporting Positive Mental Health in the Community	The Bonnyrigg Rose Football club started a Positive Mental Health Project to address Mental Health with a view to breaking the stigma. This training is a huge step towards this along with 121 support, which is used by people in crisis and in need of immediate help. The grant would be used to continue to deliver this level of support across the community.	Bonnyrigg / Edinburgh
MHA	Let`s Get Living	This project will help older people, many of whom have physical and mental health challenges which has led to their isolation and loneliness. It will help them to overcome these challenges by creating opportunities to socialise through the day trips throughout the North East.	Teesside, Hull, Yorkshire, Bassetlaw, Tyneside, Gateshead, Leeds, Wakefield & Huddersfield

Education and Employability Skills

	CCIF Scheme	Details of specific issues	Regions
Friends of Rowntree Park	Nature Connection - improving wellbeing through nature	This project will focus on marginalised groups, where participants will develop skills to manage their wellbeing and build resilience. This will be achieved through Forest School for new parents - providing postnatal and early years support for parents of children under 5. Girl Rangers – aimed at building confidence, resilience and employability. Woods for Wellbeing – a young adult programme offering conservation and green woodworking activities for those experiencing social isolation or mental health challenges.	York
Clapton Common Boys Club	Yes - Youth Educational Services	YES, a holistic mentoring programme will help 90 disadvantaged young people 14-16 into employment, and/ or avoiding becoming NEET and 90 mentees aged 7-11. YES, will provide: Formalised teaching guidance, workshop training, support and Individual placement work experience with a peer mentee. The aim is to provide 19-25 years, with life skills so they can transition into employment and the wider world.	Calpton / London
Depaul UK	Steps to Success Employability Programme for Young People who have Experienced Homelessness	Help us to ignite aspiration in 100 of our youngest children, each school year, by enabling us to transform our Early Years outdoor area. Our project will provide the youngest children in our school with the skills, enthusiasm and knowledge to progress confidently and successfully through the Early Years curriculum and beyond whilst learnt about key roles they could play in their community.	South Tyneside
St Giles Trust	Building Futures	Building futures will support 40 x 18- 30 years olds from Leeds who have been in the criminal justice system or are at risk of entering the criminal justice system. Building Futures is not simply an employment service. Through personalised one-to-one support our caseworker will tackle both practical and emotional foundational issues that prevent employment access e.g. housing, substance misuse, mental health & wellbeing. What is unique about St Giles is that we believe change is best achieved when those with lived experience are at the heart of the solution. Over 40% of our staff have lived experience of the criminal justice system. They can say "I've been there" and it is this authenticity, combined with professional expertise that inspires resilience and accelerates the pace of progress to turn pasts into positive futures.	Leeds

MyBigCareer	Connect. Inspire.	Will bring together schools, businesses and volunteer Career Coaches to offer young people in	Newcastle,
	Make Change.	the North East the opportunity to have career support, stimulate social mobility and break	Durham and
		down barriers related to gender, ethnicity and social disadvantage.	Darlington
		We will support young people aged 12-18, provide 1:1 career advice session, employer Insight days, workshops and personalised mentoring for job and university applications.	
St Vincent de Paul	Expanding Horizons	The St Vincent De Paul Society provides direct poverty-relief projects in local communities. This grant will support adults on our employability training programmes at three community centres. This includes Job clubs, classes and workshops in CV / cover letter writing and interview skills, which will support people who are currently unemployed giving them the practical skills and confidence to gain and retain paid work.	Leeds, Bradford, and Newcastle
The EY Foundation	Our Future Glasgow	This project will provide 120 11-17-year olds with access to employability workshops, and 40 16-19 years old with access to an intensive 6-month paid employability programme. Utilise existing connections with schools, colleges, employers, and other grass-roots charities to provide young people with meaningful employer encounters, paid work experience and pathways into employment.	Glasgow
The Millin Charity	Local Women Local Enterprise (LWLE)	The Project will support 80 unemployed women facing multiple barriers, who want to go into employment or have an enterprise idea in becoming self-employed. It will improve their skills, capacity and confidence with an end goal of gaining financial independence. It will deliver educational support packages, including bespoke accredited enterprise training, specialist workshops, networking, including peer support, that will improve Women's	Newcastle and Gateshead
WorkingRite CIC	Leith Pioneers	 employability and business skills enabling them to improve their economic prospects. This project aims to help young people (aged 15-18), who have stopped attending school regularly, to participate in our mentored work placement programme. Pioneers provides vulnerable young people with life and job skills training and a mentored work placement in a small, local business of their choice. Which provides an alternative route into a more productive adult-hood – a route that will impart them with essential job/life skills and a way out of poverty. 	Leith / Edinburgh

The Junction	YEI Step into	The grant would be used to purchase interview clothes, transport, equipment or training. The	Redcar and
Foundation	Education,	young people we work with do not have the right clothing to help them to set a good example	Cleveland
	Training or	or feel confident once they have secured an interview. Likewise, a training course may help a	
	Employment	young person by providing the necessary qualification/experience for them to be able to take	
		the next step into education or employment.	

Diversity & Inclusion

	CCIF Scheme	Details of specific issues	Regions
Jubilee Church	Open door cafe	The Open-Door Cafe will create a safe, accessible place and a sense of belonging for adults with mental health problems, which is open to anyone who feels lonely, depressed and isolated. Proposed activities include Café, to chat/socialise, befriending training, Food Hygiene with a view to volunteering/ return to work, Basic IT, and monthly activities i.e. bread making, music.	Grantham
Leeds Early Years Association	SEND Sanctuary	The project pledges to support families who have children aged 0-5 with complex additional needs and disabilities. It will act as a pillar of support, advice and information for parents who have had a child diagnosed with SEND via a SEND Sanctuary cafe. Our specially trained staff will work intensively with children to improve their physical and mental development through a series of tailored activities.	Leeds
Livability	Green spaces for people with disabilities	The people we support have spent much of the past year shielding. This horticultural and sensory project will support people with disabilities at three of Livability's care homes. The people we support will be able to take ownership and responsibility for the garden - growing their own plants and encourage wildlife into the space – creating an oasis of greenery.	Leeds and London
Next Door But One	Sustaining Creativity for All the Community	During COVID restrictions, arts programmes were moved online for 3 different communities in York who experience barriers to theatre workshops and training. This project would continue these strands of delivery, and engage adults with mental health problems, LGBTQ+ young people and Young Carers, by providing accessible theatre workshops, facilitated in a way that is bespoke to their needs. The aim of this project is to continue the learning of each group and keep them connected.	York

Environment & Sustainability

	CCIF Scheme	Details of specific issues	Regions
Peterborough Environment City Trust	On year bike!	The project will provide people with the tools, confidence and motivation to switch short car journeys for more sustainable forms of transport and increase the number of people who cycle for leisure. The project will contribute to a reduction in carbon emissions and air pollution.	Peterborough
		A range of activities will be used to promote cycling within the city, such as guided cycle rides, family activities to encourage people to explore the local environment, heritage explorer trails, and a digital map will be created with points of interest highlighted for all ages to enjoy.	
Canals and Rivers Trust	Greening the Regent's Canal	The Canal & River Trust protects and restores nature along our waterways. We increase biodiversity, enhance wildlife and tackle pollution. One of the ways we do this is by installing floating ecosystems along our waterways.	London
		Will install a floating eco habitat on the Regents Canal. This will offer a unique solution to the degradation of the canal allowing vibrant and biodiverse ecosystems to be established and flourish. This project will improve water quality, enhance biodiversity, and help to address air pollution	