



**Community
Foundation**



Sunderland Participatory
Grant Making Fund





What is Mackem Money?

- ▶ A £130,000 small grants fund
- ▶ Money from The Community Foundation
- ▶ For community organisations in Sunderland in 2023/24
- ▶ Run by a Panel of residents from across the City with lived experience of the challenges faced by local communities
- ▶ Supported by VCAS and SVSA





KEEP IT LOCAL



The Local Panel:

- ▶ Decides how the Fund works & what it should focus on
- ▶ Ensures all decision making is locally accountable & fair
- ▶ Prioritises important local issues & sets funding themes
- ▶ Wants to award grants to small, local groups whose work addresses these issues
- ▶ Will decide which applications are supported

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Funding Themes



The Panel has decided it wants to support activities that focus on:



Supporting Inclusive Communities

Bringing people together, building social networks & connections in & across communities



Creating Opportunities for Healthier & Happier People

Play, physical activity, healthy food, improving mental health



Raising Aspirations

Building confidence & ambition, developing skills, encouraging achievement



When to Apply?

The local Panel will make grants in late 2023 and early 2024. **Deadlines to apply are:**



➔ **12th November 2023 for a pre-Christmas project**

The Panel will meet mid October and mid November to decide which applications receive funding, so please apply early!

➔ **22nd December 2023 for a 2024 project**

The Panel will meet mid January 2024 to decide which applications receive funding, so don't leave it too late.

November

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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How Much Can My Group Apply For?



The Panel wants to make small grants to support projects in the lead-up to the 2023 festive season, and medium grants to support projects over a longer period in 2024.

Grant sizes are as follows:

£1,000 – £2,000 for short, seasonal 2023 projects

£2,000 – £5,000 for potentially longer 2024 projects

What costs can 'Mackem Money!' pay for?



- Staff costs (e.g. paid sessional workers or volunteer expenses)
- Materials and small items (e.g. crafts materials, office equipment)
- Core running costs (e.g. rent, utilities and other overheads)
- Food parcels or activity packs
- Trips or events
- Continuing current activities, improving them, working in new areas
- New activities or one-off initiatives



- Activities that have already taken place
- Gifts in kind (except items necessary for services, like food parcels or activity packs)
- Privately owned, profit-distributing companies or limited partnerships



Is My Group Eligible?

The Panel wants to support small groups based & working in Sunderland with income under £250k. Priority will be given to those with income under £100k. To receive a grant directly, your group should have:



- ✔ A constitution, set of rules or articles of association
- ✔ A Management Committee or Board of Trustees (with at least 3 unrelated individuals)
- ✔ A bank account in your group's name (with at least 2 unrelated signatories)
- ✔ Adequate safeguarding arrangements
- ✘ If your Group doesn't have these and doesn't intend to, you cannot apply

- ✔ **If your Group doesn't have all or any of the above yet but intends to do so, you can:**
 - ✔ Get help from VCAS or SVSA so you can apply (see contacts at end)
 - ✔ Tell the Community Foundation you're working towards these
 - ✔ Apply indirectly by asking VCAS, SVSA or your local 'host' organisation to apply on your behalf.



How Do I Apply for a 'Mackem Money!' Grant?



Register your Group on the Community Foundation portal at <https://cftwn.my.site.com/s/> and submit copies of your latest accounts, constitution, recent bank statement and Safeguarding Policy. Or apply via VCAS, SVSA or a host organisation which has these

Allow 2 days to receive an email from the Community Foundation

Think carefully about what you want to apply for and how much you need

Complete a grant application via the Community Foundation grant application portal at <https://www.communityfoundation.org.uk/apply/>

or send us a video with the same information via <https://wetransfer.com/> to ns@communityfoundation.org.uk


No more than 5 minutes long


CAN I GET HELP TO APPLY?




If you have any queries
or would like help you
can speak to:

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