

The City Bridge Trust

Investing In Londoners: Application for a grant



About your organisation

Name of your organisation: Children's Trust	
If your organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name? The Children's Trust	
In which London Borough is your organisation based? Outside London	
Contact person: Mrs Jessica Jones	Position: Senior Corporate and Trust Manager
Website: http://www.thechildrenstrust.org.uk	
Legal status of organisation: Registered Charity	Charity, Charitable Incorporated Company or company number: 288018
When was your organisation established? 18/10/1983	

Grant Request

Under which of City Bridge Trust's programmes are you applying? Making London More Inclusive
Which of the programme outcome(s) does your application aim to achieve? Work supporting young disabled people (aged 16-25) in the transition to adulthood and/or independent living Services helping people with a newly acquired or diagnosed disability to maintain choice and control in their lives
Please describe the purpose of your funding request in one sentence. Funding a Brain Injury Specialist in London to support children and young people with an acquired brain injury as they return to home and school.
When will the funding be required? 01/04/2018
How much funding are you requesting? Year 1: £67,240 Year 2: £0 Year 3: £0 Total: £67,240

Aims of your organisation:

Our vision is that all children with brain injury have the opportunity to live the best life possible.

For children with brain injury and their families we aim to:

- be an internationally-recognised centre of excellence for care, rehabilitation, education and research
- reach out to children and families in their own community
- provide expert advice, training and information
- make our voice heard.

Main activities of your organisation:

We support thousands of children with brain injury and their families across the UK each year.

We provide rehabilitation to children with acquired brain injury at our national specialist centre in Surrey, helping them to make the best recovery after a serious accident or illness. The centre is also home to our special school and nursing services for children with complex medical needs.

We also provide community services and online support for families across the UK.

Number of staff

Full-time:	Part-time:	Management committee members:	Active volunteers:
313	337	11	534

Property occupied by your organisation

Is the main property owned, leased or rented by your organisation?	If leased/rented, how long is the outstanding agreement?
Owned	

Summary of grant request

Each year, more than 40,000 children are left with an acquired brain injury after an accident or illness.

While severe brain injuries are immediately obvious, milder brain injuries are all too often overlooked as a child appears to make a good recovery. However, a hidden brain injury may cause children to struggle with physical, cognitive and behavioural difficulties, including fatigue, communication difficulties and emotional problems, e.g. aggression or depression. As a result of these difficulties, it is not uncommon for children with brain injury to dissociate from their family and home life and be excluded from school.

Research has also shown that children and young people with an unidentified brain injury are more likely to experience mental health difficulties, spend time in custody or live on the streets. The impact of these difficulties can significantly reduce a child's ability to access the same opportunities as their peers. It is therefore essential to ensure these children are identified at the earliest possible stage so they can receive appropriate support, stay engaged in education and divert them from a path which could lead to negative outcomes.

Through our Brain Injury Community Service at St George's Hospital, London, we have supported 331 children in the last year who would otherwise have been left with unmet needs due to a brain injury. The Brain Injury Specialist has helped identify their needs and set individual rehabilitation goals, developing strategies with their family to enable them to achieve these goals. This support has helped children maintain their independence, improved their ability to access a wide variety of opportunities and helped them through key transition periods.

During the last year we have undertaken an in depth review and evaluation of the Brain Injury Community Service as a whole, UK wide. This has reinforced the need for support for individual children and families, showing that this is much-valued, but also identified some areas for improvement. These include implementing a more consistent approach to the initial screening and advice offered; being clearer with families about the boundaries of the service and defining the pathway from referral to discharge; simplifying our feedback tools; redesigning our data collection, and developing a more robust programme of awareness raising.

We are uniquely positioned to provide a Brain Injury Community Service in London thanks to our 30 years of experience in providing clinical expertise to children with brain injury. During that time, we have developed more and more specialist approaches towards brain injury and helping children make the best possible recovery and maintain control and choice in their lives.

Our experience in providing the Brain Injury Community Service at St George's Hospital over the past two years, combined with our experiences in Leeds, Nottingham and Sheffield, places us in a great position to continue to provide this service.

We welcome all families living with brain injury, regardless of their backgrounds. Research has shown the brain injury disproportionately affects children from disadvantaged backgrounds, so in practice the Brain Injury Community Service is likely to support more families from lower socio-economic areas.

The Children's Trust has over 500 volunteers who help us in all areas of our work. They are extremely important to our organisation. Our team of volunteer coordinators ensure all our volunteers are valued and supported.

The Children's Trust is constantly reviewing our environmental impact, and has set a number of objectives:

- Reduce energy wastage
- Use wherever possible recycled products
- Recycle as many materials and equipment as possible across site and in our shops
- Ensure development projects and refurbishments take all reasonable measures to ensure its buildings are energy efficient.

If you need any planning or other statutory consents for the project to proceed, what stage have the applications reached?

Do you have a Vulnerable Adults policy? **Yes**

What Quality Marks does your organisation currently hold?

Member of the Fundraising Regulator, The Information Standard certified member (for Brain Injury Hub). Outcome pending for CHKS accreditation.

Outputs and outcomes

What are the main activities or outputs you want to deliver? Please include no more than 5. By activities or outputs we mean the services, products or facilities you plan to deliver. If you plan to deliver work over more than one year you should include activities over the full grant period requested. Try to be specific.

Children are referred to the Brain Injury Community Service at St George's Hospital from staff based in A&E, the neurological wards, acquired brain injury clinics, community health professionals, teachers, and parents.

Provision of support through phone contact directly with families returned home after injury and through contact with schools, multi-disciplinary teams, community teams and GPs.

Brain injury education is provided to families, teachers and multi-disciplinary teams and the awareness raising programme is developed.

Referrals are made as appropriate to other professionals for further support.

Evaluation of the service is carried out and learning dissemination completed.

What main differences or outcomes do you hope the activities you have described above will achieve? Please include no more than 5. By differences or outcomes we mean the changes, benefits, learning or other effects that result from the work your project would deliver. These might be for individuals, families, communities or the environment.

Children's hidden needs are identified in order to establish further support.

Children and young people have a greater understanding of brain injury and its impact.

Parents are better equipped to support their child.

Education professionals have a greater understanding of brain injury and its impact.

Professionals are more aware of our services.

Do you plan to continue the activity beyond the period for which you are requesting funding? If so, how do you intend to sustain it? If not, what is your exit strategy?

We intend to continue the Brain Injury Community Service at St George's Hospital beyond the next year. We will source further funding through applications to trusts and foundations and will also be benefiting from a multi-year corporate partnership supporting the national Brain Injury Community Service.

Who will benefit?

About your beneficiaries

How many people will benefit directly from the grant per year?

350

In which Greater London borough(s) or areas of London will your beneficiaries live?

London-wide (100%)

What age group(s) will benefit?

0-15

16-24

What gender will beneficiaries be?

All

What will the ethnic grouping(s) of the beneficiaries be?

A range of ethnic groups

If Other ethnic group, please give details:

What proportion of the beneficiaries will be disabled people?

91-100%

Funding required for the project

What is the total cost of the proposed activity/project?

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Brain Injury Specialist (incl. NI and Pension)	£52,879			£52,879
Brain Injury Specialist Assistant, 0.8 FTE (Incl. NI & Pen)	£21,341			£21,341
Brain Injury Specialist Administrator, 0.2 FTE (incl. NI & Pen)	£4,659			£4,659
Staff Training	£400			£400
Management time of Head of Brain Injury Community Service, 0.18 FTE (Incl NI & Pen)	£10,640			£10,640
Professional Materials and Equipment	£550			£550
Office Expenses	£740			£740
Travel	£1,250			£1,250
Central Costs Allocation	£9,512			£9,512
TOTAL:	£101,971			£101,971

What income has already been raised?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
TOTAL:				

What other funders are currently considering the proposal?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Tom and Shella Springer Charity	£10,000			£10,000
The Metropolitan Masonic Charity	£5,000			£5,000
Goodman Foundation	£10,000			£10,000
Ladbroke's Coral Trust	£2,000			£2,000
The Ironmongers' Company (application planned for July deadline)	£10,000			£10,000
TOTAL:	£37,000			£37,000

How much is requested from the Trust?

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Brain Injury Specialist (incl. NI and Pension)	£52,879			£52,879
Staff Training	£400			£400
Professional Materials and Equipment	£1,290			£1,290
Travel	£1,250			£1,250
Central Costs Allocation	£9,512			£9,512
TOTAL:	£65,331			£65,331

Finance details

Please complete using your most recent audited or independently examined accounts.

Financial year ended:	Month: March	Year: 2017
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Income received from:	£
Voluntary Income	3,931,000
Activities for generating funds	2,930,000
Investment Income	195,000
Income from charitable activities	15,881,000
Other sources	282,000
Total Income:	23,219,000

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	20,972,000
Governance costs	193,000
Cost of generating funds	4,436,000 4,417,000
Other	0
Total Expenditure:	25,582,000
Net (deficit)/surplus:	-2,363,000
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses):	1,630,000
Net Movement in Funds:	-733,000

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	15,415,000
Investments	3,065,000
Net current assets	13,505,000
Long-term liabilities	2,584,000
*Total Assets (A):	29,401,000

Reserves at year end	£
Restricted funds	2,750,000
Endowment Funds	807,000
Unrestricted funds	25,844,000
*Total Reserves (B):	29,401,000

* Please note that total Assets (A) and Total Reserves (B) should be the same.

Statutory funding

For your most recent financial year, what % of your income was from statutory sources?
61-70%

Organisational changes

Describe any significant changes to your structure, financial position or core activities since the date of your most recent accounts:

None

Previous funding received

Please list the funding received by your organisation from the following statutory sources during the last THREE years.

	Year 3 £	Year 2 £	Most recent £
City of London (except City Bridge Trust)	0	0	0
London Local Authorities	5,727,000	5,742,000	5,612,000
London Councils	0	0	0
Health Authorities	9,361,000	9,140,000	8,206,000
Central Government departments	229,000	320,000	116,000
Other statutory bodies	164,000	152,000	152,000

Previous grants received

Please list the grants received by your organisation from charitable trusts and foundations (other than City Bridge Trust) during the last THREE years. List source, years and annual amounts. Please include the 5 largest only.

Name of Funder	Year 3 £	Year 2 £	Most recent £
Anonymous	50,000	60,000	25,000
The Revere Charitable Trust	50,000	50,000	50,000
Garfield Weston Foundation	75,000	0	50,000
BBC Children in Need	31,980	42,750	27,217
The Lockwood Charitable Foundation	0	0	100,000

Declaration

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information I have provided in this application form is correct. I fully understand that City Bridge Trust has zero tolerance towards fraud and will seek to prosecute and recover funds in every instance.

Please confirm: Yes Full Name: **Jessica Jones**

Role within
Organisation: **Senior Corporate and Trust Manager**