

The City Bridge Trust

Investing In Londoners: Application for a grant



About your organisation

Name of your organisation: Parochial Church Council of St Mary, Stoke Newington	
If your organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name? Church of England	
In which London Borough is your organisation based? Hackney	
Contact person: reverend Dilly Baker	Position: Rector
Website: http://www.stmaryn16.org	
Legal status of organisation: Excepted - Church	Charity, Charitable Incorporated Company or company number: 1133877
When was your organisation established? 01/01/2011	

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? Community buildings that are more accessible and as a result
Please describe the purpose of your funding request in one sentence. We are rebuilding our community centre, and would like financial support for improvements to accessibility in the redesigned building.
When will the funding be required? 30/08/2018
How much funding are you requesting? Year 1: £100,000 Year 2: £0 Year 3: £0 Total: £100,000

Aims of your organisation:

We are a Christian Church that aims to support the most marginalised members of our local community. In response to our mission statement, the challenge for St Mary's is how we can create inclusive, flourishing communities within the local context of an increasing disparity in wealth, social distress caused by austerity and a reduction in community activities due to lack of suitable local facilities. The complexity of this task is, we believe, beyond the power of any one institution, faith or ideology and we therefore work hard at creating partnerships between different institutions and agencies - both faith based and secular - that share our vision. Our diverse and committed congregations have an excellent track record in forging partnerships and networks over the past twenty-five years. This has resulted in the creation of sustainable projects for the good of our community.

Main activities of your organisation:

The subject of this application is our project to completely rebuild our community hub, adjacent to the church. Please note that although the church and community hub operate under the same charity number, they are effectively run as separate organisations, and all answers in this application refer to the community centre, not the church.

The Centre is used extensively by members of the local community and partner organisations working with marginalised people. These organisations include: The Hackney Winter Night Shelter, The Hackney Migrants Centre, the Elderly, the Food Bank, the Kehillah Jewish Community, local interfaith groups, and less formal groups such as our community 'open table'.

The Centre provides a space where any organisation that serves the community can provide hot food, shelter and support to the people they work with. Although it is very heavily used, we try to accommodate as many requests as possible for its use by local community groups.

Number of staff

Full-time:	Part-time:	Management committee members:	Active volunteers:
1	3	15	110

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

We will rebuild our church hall to create a hospitable, Inclusive community hub which people will enjoy using. The hall was designed in the 1990's exclusively for church use, but is now being used solely by third party organisations which work with marginalised members of the community. It is poorly designed, not accessible for people with disabilities, inflexible, and lacks private space for sensitive consultations.

We will rebuild and extend the hall adjacent to create a well designed, flexible and accessible community hub. This will mean that we can meet the needs of both our present user groups and those we are looking to work alongside in the future.

The existing hall is no longer fit for purpose and poses a threat to the continuation of current activities. A redesigned, purpose-built, outward facing community centre is crucial in enabling St Mary's to fulfil its mission of working with partners in providing hospitality and service to the most marginalised in the community - including asylum seekers, the homeless, the isolated and those in food poverty ? and to open our doors to community groups and local groups seeking a space for a social gathering or a meeting.

The new St Mary's Centre will be able to offer a better service to partners who presently use the site enabling them to meet their own qualitative and quantitative objectives such as exiting homelessness, reducing isolation, building self-esteem, increasing the numbers of people who can use services and engaging more volunteers.

Some volunteers who work at the centre are from the church congregation but the vast majority are from the wider community and from all walks of life work alongside - all committed to serving their neighbours. More than 110 volunteers support the various activities which take place in the hall.

However the hall is struggling to accommodate the growing need, and is no longer adequate: twenty-five people share one shower, there are no private spaces for meetings with key workers, and supper tables have to be removed before beds can be made up.

The groups currently using the existing church rooms include:

The Hackney Winter Night Shelter
The Hackney Migrant Shelter
The Food Bank
Kehillah, a Jewish Group
Community groups such as yoga, fitness.
Community Choir
children's ballet

In the new centre we intend to offer the following additional services in partnership with other organisations:

A Soup Kitchen (already requested)
A Community Lunch and Supper Programme
Community Money Advice Centre (already requested)
A Credit Union
Support Services for people with mental health issues (already requested)
Support services for people with dementia (already requested)
pre and after school groups
Homework clubs

We have been asked by the Turkish community if we would like to partner in running a women's yoga and meditation group, aimed at encouraging isolated Turkish women who speak limited English, to be alongside others in an atmosphere of friendship and relaxation. The current hall cannot accommodate this, but the new hall will be able to.

We are determined that the new building will be fully accessible for people with disabilities, and that people with additional needs (both volunteers and guests) will feel safe within the space and more able to see themselves as valued participants in society. They will be able to access the Centre more easily and there will be better facilities for them.

Although we are applying for funding for assistance with ensuring the new building is fully accessible, we feel that there were a number of programmes that might have been appropriate, and hope that you will take this into consideration.

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?

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.

Hackney Migrant Centre, offering support to recent migrants to the UK. St Mary's works in partnership with this charity, providing the venue, volunteer advice and cooks and hospitality to the many who attend each week.

Hackney Winter Night Shelter. The charity employs advocate workers who help guests exit rough sleeping and move into permanent accommodation. Volunteers run the shelter, providing a hot supper, a bed for the night and a sustaining breakfast in the morning.

Food Bank. Working in partnership with the Trussell Trust, the church rooms have become the location for a weekly Food Bank. The number of people using this has grown significantly over 2016 as delays in people's benefits and rising rental costs have left people with less money for food

Kehillah, a diverse Jewish group. St Mary's hosts the Jewish Community on a Saturday and this faith group would be keen to use the facilities more if they were to be developed a way that enabled more flexibility and were more suitable for elderly members.

Soup Kitchen. This has the potential to serve one hundred people weekly and involve community volunteers in similar numbers.

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.

We will no longer have to turn people away from the Migrant Centre, or have them wait outside to be seen, because there will be more space and better designed facilities.

The Night Shelter will have separate facilities for men and women, increasing the security and comfort of the increasing number of women who use the shelter.

The foodbank will have improved and increased storage, meaning that we can feed all of the people who need it, rather than turning people away or referring them to another foodbank, as sometimes happens now.

Kehillah, the Jewish group will make more use of the centre.

The soup kitchen will feed 100 people each week, with 100 volunteer posts being created.

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?

N/A - the new building will be cheaper to run than the building it is replacing.

Who will benefit?

About your beneficiaries

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

300

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

Hackney (80%)

Islington (10%)

Haringey (10%)

What age group(s) will benefit?

All ages

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?

21-30%

Funding required for the project

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

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Improvements to accessibility	164,000	0	0	0
other construction work	1,112,000	0	0	0
fees	215,000	0	0	0
surveys	20,000	0	0	0
non-recoverable VAT	20,000	0	0	0
contingency	77,000	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
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	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	1,608,00	0	0	0
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What income has already been raised?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Sale of property	1,100,000	0	0	0
grants from trusts and foundations	100,000	0	0	0
own fundraising	50,000	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	1,250,00	0	0	0
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What other funders are currently considering the proposal?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Headley Trust	30,000	0	0	0
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	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	30,000	0	0	0
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How much is requested from the Trust?

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
accessible toilets	30,000	0	0	0
accessible entranceways	20,000	0	0	0
improvements to signage	5,000	0	0	0
improvements to kitchen	10,000	0	0	0
Improvements to accessibility throughout	35,000	0	0	0
TOTAL:	100,000	0	0	0

Finance details

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

Financial year ended:	Month: December	Year: 2016
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Income received from:	£
Voluntary Income	195,193
Activities for generating funds	49,100
Investment income	1,922
Income from charitable activities	7,385
Other sources	1,563
Total Income:	255,163

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	213,214
Governance costs	0
Cost of generating funds	4,679
Other	0
Total Expenditure:	217,893
Net (deficit)/surplus:	37,270
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses):	5,367
Net Movement In Funds:	37,270

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	59,195
Investments	
Net current assets	1,227,942
Long-term liabilities	
*Total Assets (A):	1,287,137

Reserves at year end	£
Restricted funds	73,100
Endowment Funds	0
Unrestricted funds	1,214,037
*Total Reserves (B):	1,287,137

*** 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?
0%

Organisational changes

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

N/A

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	0	0	0
London Councils	0	0	0
Health Authorities	0	0	0
Central Government departments	0	0	0
Other statutory bodies	0	0	0

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 £
Garfield Weston Foundation	0	0	30,000
Bernard Sunley Foundation	0	0	20,000
Allchurches Trust	0	0	18,500
LPWS VAT Scheme	98,000	0	0
	0	0	0

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: **Dilly Baker**

Role within **Rector**
Organisation: