

The City Bridge Trust

Investing In Londoners: Application for a grant



About your organisation

Name of your organisation: Finsbury and Clerkenwell Volunteers	
If your organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name?	
In which London Borough is your organisation based? Islington	
Contact person: Mr Andrew Thompson	Position: Chair
Website: http://www.finsburyvolunteers.org.uk	
Legal status of organisation: First Contact	Charity, Charitable Incorporated Company or company number: 268511
When was your organisation established? 01/08/1971	

Grant Request

Under which of City Bridge Trust's programmes are you applying? Older Londoners
Which of the programme outcome(s) does your application aim to achieve? Older Londoners aged 75 years and over living more active and healthier lives Fewer older Londoners aged over 75 years with depression and more reporting improved well-being
Please describe the purpose of your funding request in one sentence. Funding will contribute to the running and maintenance of two wheelchair accessible minibuses, without which some clients would not be able to access our services.
When will the funding be required? 01/09/2014
How much funding are you requesting? Year 1: £10,000 Year 2: £10,000 Year 3: £10,000 Total: £30,000

Aims of your organisation:**Aims**

1. Reduce social isolation among older people
2. Support clients to continue to live independently
3. Support clients in maintaining a level of well being

Outcomes

1. Clients feel less isolated
2. Clients level of social activity is enhanced
3. Clients are able to continue living independently
4. Clients level of well being is enhanced / maintained

Main activities of your organisation:

Lunch Club: Meets twice a week. Clients receive a freshly cooked two course meal.
 Shopping trips: Clients are driven and escorted to one of a number of local shopping centres once a week.

Steeple Bay caravan: This is available for one day visits and extended visits.

Telephone Club: Clients receive a phone call at least once a week.

One to One Befriending: Clients are linked with a befriender who visits them at home on a regular basis.

Our two accessible mini buses are used to transport clients who are disabled or have difficulty with mobility. Without them these clients would not be able to attend the Lunch Club, take part in shopping trips or visit the caravan. Nor would we be able to allow other organisations the use of the ambulances for one-off events.

Number of staff

Full-time:	Part-time:	Management committee members:	Active volunteers:
0	1	8	62

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?
Leased	3 years

Summary of grant request

Our clients are mainly drawn from the Bunhill, Clerkenwell and Canonbury wards in the London Borough of Islington. The majority live alone. They are elderly and sometimes disabled. Many live in accommodation which is unsuited to their needs

Islington is a borough of extremes. In 2008 The Cripplegate Foundation commissioned a report called "Invisible Islington -- Living in Poverty in Inner London" in order to highlight the poverty that exists along side the bars, restaurants and Georgian terraces. This was followed in 2013 by "Distant Neighbours -- Poverty and Inequality in Islington" which found that Islington's lower income residents are "under more pressure than ever" and the "gap between the wealthiest and the rest is growing

"Invisible Islington" drew attention to the varying levels of happiness reported by the interviewees. These levels were dependent on the degree of social interaction or isolation they experienced. Participants who had friends and participated in activities had a more positive outlook. The report recognised the importance of community organisations in providing information, advice and support. "Social contact and connections be it with family, friends or community are critical to happiness and well being".

The Indices of Deprivation published in 2010 ranked Islington as the 14th most deprived local authority in England and the 5th most deprived in London. The authority is ranked 4th most deprived nationally on the measure of income deprivation affecting older people.

Our specific aims are driven by the context set out above. They are:

- to reduce social isolation
- to support clients to live independently
- to support clients in maintaining a positive level of well being

We seek to meet these aims by providing the following services

1. A Lunch and Social Club.
2. Telephone Club
3. Assisted Shopping Trips
4. One to One Befriending.
5. Accessible transport

We operate 2 wheelchair accessible minibuses which provide a door to door service for disabled clients and clients with limited mobility. We believe we are the only organisation offering such a bespoke service in our area. These vehicles ensure that clients are not denied access to our services because of their disabilities.

6. Management and day to day running.

The services are staffed by volunteers and one part time salaried organiser. A management committee made of up volunteers and service users oversees the day to day running of the organisation. This is supported by smaller steering and finance committees.

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

N/A

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

What Quality Marks does your organisation currently hold?

Mentoring & Befriending Foundation Certificate 2012 - 2013

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.

Lunch and Social Club.

Lunch Club meets twice a week. Clients receive a two course freshly cooked meal. Disabled clients are collected from and returned to their homes by our wheelchair accessible minibuses. There are after lunch activities such as bingo and occasional entertainment. Currently membership stands at 49.

Assisted Shopping Trips

Shopping trips to local shopping centres take place once a week. Using our minibuses we are able to provide a door to door service that accommodates disabled clients, their wheel chairs and shopping trolleys. Volunteers accompany the group. Currently 28 clients have signed up for this service.

Accessible transport

We operate 2 wheelchair accessible minibuses which provide door to door services for disabled clients and clients with limited mobility. We are the only organisation offering such a bespoke service in our area. This ensures that clients are not denied access to our services because of disabilities.

One to One Befriending.

Sixteen clients are linked to a befriender. These clients tend to be more housebound. Clients receive a regular visit in their own home in addition to contact by telephone. As well as the social contact the befriender provides support and assistance on the basis of need.

Telephone Club

Members, many of whom are housebound, at risk of isolation, receive a telephone call at least once a week from a volunteer. Clients may also call the office if they need assistance. The service offers valuable support and reassurance to clients and families. There are 96 members

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.

Clients are less isolated and more socially connected to their community. Our services provide opportunities for our elderly and sometimes disabled clients to attend events and outings outside their homes,

The mental and physical wellbeing of clients is enhanced through regular social contact and social interaction. Our Lunch Club provides a healthy freshly cooked meal

Clients are able to continue to live independently. Regular shopping trips, social activities, telephone calls, befriender visits, and occasional support with odd jobs provide support for clients to live in their own homes

Our services provide support and reassurance to family members of clients particularly those family members who live outside of London

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?

Our services will be ongoing so we will be looking for replacement funding at the end of the period.

Who will benefit?

About your beneficiaries

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

161

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

Islington (95%)

Camden (5%)

What age group(s) will benefit?

45-64

65-74

75 and over

What gender will beneficiaries be?

All

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

A range of ethnic groups

White (including English/ Welsh/ Scottish/ Northern Irish/ British; Irish; Gypsy, Traveller or Irish Traveller; Any other White background)

Mixed/ Multiple ethnic groups (including White and Black Caribbean; White and Black African; White and Asian; Any other Mixed/ Multiple ethnic background)

Asian/ Asian British (including Indian; Pakistani; Bangladeshi; Chinese; Any other Asian background)

If Other ethnic group, please give details:

What proportion of the beneficiaries will be disabled people?

31-40%

Funding required for the project

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

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
insurance for 2 ambulances	4,600	4,600	4,600	13,800
Petrol for 2 ambulances	1,800	1,800	1,800	5,400
Repairs for 2 ambulances	3,300	3,300	3,300	9,900
MOT/AA for 2 ambulances	350	350	350	1,050

TOTAL:	10,050	10,050	10,050	30,150
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What income has already been raised?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
N/A	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	0	0	0	0
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What other funders are currently considering the proposal?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
N/A	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	0	0	0	0
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How much is requested from the Trust?

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Running and maintenance of 2 ambulances	10,000	10,000	10,000	30,000
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	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
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TOTAL:	10,000	10,000	10,000	30,000
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Finance details

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

Financial year ended:	Month: 31st MARCH	Year: 2014
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Income received from:	£
Voluntary income	8,166
Activities for generating funds	1,289
Investment income	167
Income from charitable activities	3,022
Other sources	10,167
Total Income:	22,811

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	45,616
Governance costs	1,720
Cost of generating funds	216
Other	0
Total Expenditure:	47,552
Net (deficit)/surplus:	-24,741
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses):	0
Net Movement in Funds:	

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	5,118
Investments	0
Net current assets	33,040
Long-term liabilities	0
*Total Assets (A):	38,158

Reserves at year end	£
Restricted funds	16,495
Endowment Funds	0
Unrestricted funds	21,663
*Total Reserves (B):	38,158

*** 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:

Previous funding received

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

	2012 £	2013 £	2014 £
City of London (except City Bridge Trust)		0	
London Local Authorities	12,804	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		2012 £	2013 £	2014 £
Lloyds TSB Foundation	0	10,000	6,667	
Ward Partnership/LIF Fund	0	7,500	3,000	
Cripplegate Foundation	20,834	5,000	0	
Community Chest	5,000	5,000	0	
St Sepulchre	4,600	4,600	4,600	

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: **Andrew Thompson**

Role within
Organisation: