

The City Bridge Trust

Investing In Londoners: Application for a grant



About your organisation

Name of your organisation: International Social Service of the United Kingdom (ISS UK)	
If your organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name?	
In which London Borough is your organisation based? Lambeth	
Contact person: Mr. Stephen Campbell	Position: Fundraising and Supporter Relations
Website: http://www.cfab.org.uk	
Legal status of organisation: Registered Charity	Charity, Charitable Incorporated Company or company number: 1085541
When was your organisation established? 04/04/1955	

Grant Request

Under which of City Bridge Trust's programmes are you applying? Making London Safer
Which of the programme outcome(s) does your application aim to achieve? More survivors of trafficking accessing quality specialist support to improve their safety, health and well-being and to beginning to reintegrate into society Children and young people living in refuges accessing specialist support that helps reduce trauma, increases resilience and gives them a voice
Please describe the purpose of your funding request in one sentence. To continue implementing and improving a programme of work across Greater London, identifying and protecting vulnerable children who are victims of child 'abuse' and trafficking.
When will the funding be required? 01/02/2016
How much funding are you requesting? Year 1: £48,649 Year 2: £49,622 Year 3: £50,614 Total: £148,887

Aims of your organisation:

Children and Families Across Borders (CFAB) is a unique charity: we are the only organisation in the UK working to resolve child protection cases involving the UK and one or more other countries. Our work is guided by the belief that every child has the right to care, protection and a family life, no matter where they come from. Our vision is a world where the complexity of international separation does not deny already vulnerable children the right to care, protection and a family life and our mission is to use our expertise and experience to ensure that children are cared for and protected no matter where they come from. Wherever possible, we work to reunite the children we support with their families.

Main activities of your organisation:

We offer guidance, counselling and practical support on a wide range of complex child protection issues, including trafficking, children at risk of abuse, private fostering and children in care. In the UK we offer a national Advice Line, dealing with over 1,800 enquiries per year.

We undertake complex casework to offer as many children as possible the opportunity of a safe, loving, family life. We train and raise awareness amongst professionals, in order to reach more vulnerable children. We work with other charities, police, the courts, individuals and central and local government. Uniquely, because we are the only UK member of the International Social Service network, we can access professional assistance in over 120 countries to deliver this work. In 2014, 19% of our casework was carried out for the benefit of children in London.

Number of staff

Full-time:	Part-time:	Management committee members:	Active volunteers:
12	2	12	30

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?
Rented	Ends in January 2016

Summary of grant request

The need for CFAB's input has never been greater. As borders open and poverty deepens, thousands of children are facing the prospect of being separated from their families. Trafficking and child 'abuse' (where children are at risk of or in situations of potential risk) are becoming more and more prevalent.

A grant from the City Bridge Trust will enable us to continue to implement and improve upon our programme of work across Greater London, to ensure that greater numbers of children at risk are identified and that they are placed in a loving, family environment whenever safe and appropriate.

We will continue our work, acting as a specialist advice, information and advocacy service, assisting with cases relating to children who have been trafficked, children who have been abducted, victims of private fostering arrangements, exploitative labour, female genital mutilation and other violence. By continuing this work, we will meet the following City Bridge Trust programme outcomes:-

- More survivors of trafficking have access to quality specialist support to improve their safety, health and well-being and to being to reintegrate into society.
- Children and young people living in refuges access specialist support that helps reduce trauma, increases resilience and gives them a voice.

We will work throughout Greater London with other charities and agencies to ensure the protection of these children, not their legal status, is put first. We will assist with the navigation of legal, immigration, social care and visa systems. It is complex, time consuming work but we always ensure that the children and families affected understand what is happening and have a say in any decisions affecting their lives.

We are the right organisation to deliver this work as we are the only organisation which can do it. We are unique in providing child protection services across international borders and are part of a network of professionals in over 120 countries, giving us unrivalled access to expert on the ground support. Our work is informed by our access to experts and professionals in charities, the courts, the police, government, the diplomatic community and local authorities in London and across the UK. Our cooperation with such a wide range of agencies means that we are a trusted and valued partner with a strong reputation for our specialist skills and knowledge.

In terms of the Trust's principles of good practice:-

- Our staff, volunteers and beneficiaries come from hugely varied backgrounds and ethnicities. Our Spring Fair fundraising event involves people from 80 different diplomatic missions.
- We involve, support and motivate large numbers of volunteers in organising fundraising events and for specific office based roles.
- We take steps to reduce carbon footprint by recycling, making some activity 'paperless' and exploring moving to a smaller office.
- We ensure children have a voice and are consulted about key decisions.

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?

We do not hold any official quality marks but the quality of our services is independently audited by expert social workers. We have three Trustees who are senior Social Workers with vast experience of running children's social work services. They provide input into quality assurance processes, including regular supervision. CFAB's Social Workers are all registered with the HCPC.

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.

CFAB will provide a specialist information service (helpline and email) - helping children and people who have concerns about a child get the right support and advice. and helping us identify where our specialist international network can assist in individual cases.

CFAB will work with its international network to resolve complex cases involving children living in or seeking to come to London who have been abused or who are at risk of being abused - including through trafficking and unregulated care arrangements. Principally through investigations and assessments.

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 who have been abused or neglected or were at risk -- including those who have been trafficked or who were in unregulated care arrangements with strangers, are protected and the most appropriate (and safe) solution is identified for them -- including being given the chance to live with family.

Due to being removed from situations of harm and risk (including unaccompanied children and those who have been victims of trafficking), trauma is reduced and children are consequently likely to have significantly improved health outcomes.

Risks to children's cognitive and behavioural development are reduced with lifelong positive impacts in terms of their education, mental health and employment prospects.

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 plan to continue this activity due to clear evidence of increasing need for our specialist skills and expertise. Wherever possible we charge for assistance to create a more sustainable source of income and we are investing in diversifying our fundraising income: we are confident we will be able to increase income from trusts, businesses and individuals.

Who will benefit?

About your beneficiaries

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

465

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?

1-10%

Funding required for the project

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

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Social Work Team salaries and ancillary costs	28,997	29,576	30,168	88,741
Direct programme support costs	14,140	14,423	14,711	43,274
Overheads	5,512	5,622	5,734	16,868
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TOTAL:	48,649	49,621	50,613	148,883
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What income has already been raised?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
None so far towards these specific costs	0	0	0	0
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	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
None - although applications are outstanding to fund this work nationally - of which our work in London is a part.	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0

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How much is requested from the Trust?

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Finance details

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

Financial year ended:	Month: March	Year: 2015
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Income received from:	£
Voluntary income	242,069
Activities for generating funds	212,187
Investment income	89
Income from charitable activities	495,525
Other sources	0
Total Income:	949,870

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	688,235
Governance costs	27,481
Cost of generating funds	178,603
Other	0
Total Expenditure:	894,319
Net (deficit)/surplus:	55,551
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses):	0
Net Movement in Funds:	55,551

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	142
Investments	0
Net current assets	175,586
Long-term liabilities	0
*Total Assets (A):	175,728

Reserves at year end	£
Restricted funds	44,257
Endowment Funds	0
Unrestricted funds	131,471
*Total Reserves (B):	175,728

*** 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?
41-50%

Organisational changes

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

No significant difference to structure, financial position or core activities. Operational-level improvements to finance and HR policies and procedures.

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	0	0
London Local Authorities	26,441	60,279	45,390
London Councils	0	0	0
Health Authorities	0	0	0
Central Government departments	116,320	137,715	141,413
Other statutory bodies	132,245	186,255	259,974

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 £
Comic Relief	104,010	15,250	48,770
McGrath Foundation	0	0	65,000
Hobson Charity	50,000	0	37,000
John Lyons Charity	30,000	30,000	30,000
Rank Foundation	22,000	20,000	8,210

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: **Laura Parker**

Role within **Chief Executive**
Organisation: