

#### Appendix 3

# **Education and Employment**

The Education and Employment theme has been developed in order to support people to achieve their potential through the education process; to ensure that the City Corporation's outstanding cultural and historical resources enrich the creative experience of learners, and develop excellent employment opportunities and pathways.

GRANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA TO BE INSERTED HERE FOLLOWING MEMBER CONSULTATION.

#### 1. Overview

Minimum and maximum grant allowed	Opening date for applications 2016-2017	Closing date for applications 2016-2017	Decision timeframe
TBD	TBD	TBD	12 weeks from closing date

### 1. How do you apply for a grant?

To apply for a City of London Corporation grant you will need to complete an online application form by the corresponding deadline and submit this electronically with your supporting documents to the City of London Corporation Central Grants Unit.

You should send your application to us well before the stated deadline to allow us to process your application in time. We will only consider one application from your organisation at any one time.

All application forms should be completed through the online City of London Corporation grants web portal. Application forms in large print, Braille or audio tape would be offered to applicants by special request.

#### 2. How are applications assessed?

Once the City of London Corporation has received your online application and all supporting documents it will be passed to one of the City Corporation's Grant Officers for assessment. As part of this process a Grants Officer may contact you for more information.

We will acknowledge receipt of your application within 10 working days of it being received. If your application is not complete it will be returned to you and you will have a further 10 working days to send us the missing information.

A Grants Officer may also arrange to visit your organisation as part of the assessment process. Once a full assessment has been completed your request will be referred to an appropriate Committee or Senior Manager (depending on the level of grant requested).



The timescale to process your application will vary; however, we will endeavour to ensure your application is assessed within 12 weeks of the closing date. You should take account of this when planning your project.

# 3. How do we monitor and evaluate grant recipients once an award has been made?

If we fund your project we will need you to complete an end of grant monitoring report to confirm how the grant has been spent and what you achieved. Please make sure that you keep receipts for all the items or services you buy with the grant and that you keep them somewhere safe as we may ask you to provide them.

We may also visit you to check how the grant has been spent.

Please keep us up to date if your project or any of your contact details change at any stage during the period of your grant.

### 4. If your grant application is successful

If your application is successful, an initial offer letter detailing the level of grant awarded will be issued. This may contain special conditions relating to the grant award or pre-agreement grant conditions.

Grant acceptance terms and conditions will be subsequently issued which should be signed and returned within 20 working days.

Once all documentation has been received and approved you would be asked to formally request payment of your grant award.

Note: You cannot start your project until we have received, checked and approved all information that we have requested.

#### 5. If your grant application is unsuccessful

Due to the limited budget available and the number of applications for funding we receive, the City of London Corporation unfortunately cannot provide funding to every applicant that applies for a grant. Grants are therefore issued on a discretionary basis, there is no appeal process and the decision of the City of London Corporation is final.

#### 6. Support with your application

We urge all applicants that are unsure about whether to submit an application to read all available eligibility criteria on our website and attend one of our Grant Officer led workshops; dates for which will be publicised on our website throughout the year.

If you have an enquiry that is not covered within the online guidance, please contact the City of London Grants Unit directly, who will be able provide answers to general queries regarding the application process.



## 7. Can you reapply for funding?

You may reapply for funding to deliver a continuation of the same project however; organisations cannot hold more than one of our grants at any one time

If you are a current grant holder, you will need to have satisfactorily met all our grant monitoring requirements before applying again.

#### **Further information**

If you have questions about how to apply or about the status of an application, you can contact us on 020 7332 3710, email us at <a href="mailto:grants@cityoflondon.gov.uk">grants@cityoflondon.gov.uk</a>.