



THIRD SECTOR SMALL GRANT SCHEME 2021-2022 (DEMENTIA CARE)

Supported by the Welsh Government Integrated Care Fund

Application Guidelines

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The Scheme underpins the implementation plan for the Social Services & Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014 across the Cwm Taf area and is to support innovative and creative projects which are likely to have a significant impact in communities. It further seeks to respond to the recently launched Welsh Government document – “*Rehabilitation – a framework for continuity and recovery 2020-2021*” <https://gov.wales/health-and-social-care-services-rehabilitation-framework-2020-2021>

These Grants are for voluntary and community organisations based and working in the Rhondda Cynon Taff and Merthyr Tydfil areas, and are supported by the Welsh Government Integrated Care Fund – see detailed Guidance Attached.

FUNDING CRITERIA:

Successful projects will achieve one or more of the following criteria:

- combat the impact of loneliness and isolation
- prevent unnecessary access (admission or referral) to statutory services
- support hospital discharge
- support beneficiary groups to maintain their health, wellbeing and independence
- encourage innovation or new models of delivering sustainable integrated services
- reduce the impact of Covid-19

NB: Beneficiary groups are as follows:

- People living with dementia
- Carers / Family of people living with dementia
- Both of the above

The Scheme will be managed by Voluntary Action Merthyr Tydfil in collaboration with Interlink, on behalf of their partners (Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board; Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council and Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council).

WHO CAN APPLY?

Applications are invited from Voluntary and community based organisations which are able to demonstrate that their goals will benefit individuals and/communities in Merthyr Tydfil and/or Rhondda Cynon Taf. Applicants must:

- a) Be a not for profit group
- b) Have a constitution or set of rules that have been signed or “adopted”
- c) Have a Bank or Building Society account with at least two joint signatories
- d) Have recent Annual Accounts or Statement of Income and Expenditure (audited or signed as approved by a senior person from the group)

NB: You will be required to submit copies of b) to c) detailed above.

If you are a new group, then you will be required to submit an estimate of expenditure.

FUNDING AVAILABLE:

- Grants of up to £10,000 are available and are for Revenue costs only
- Your project must start by 1st October 2021
- You must be able to spend the grant before 31st March 2022

If awarded, you will be required to sign up to Terms and Conditions which include provision of monitoring information as required.

HOW ARE APPLICATIONS TO THE GRANT SCHEME ASSESSED?

Applications will be assessed by an independent panel including representatives from the Regional Commissioning Unit, Trustees of VAMT and Interlink.

WHAT HELP IS AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN PUTTING TOGETHER AN APPLICATION?

Staff at VAMT and Interlink may be available to offer advice in terms of discussing project ideas and completing the application form. However, these Officers will not complete the application for you.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Gathering evidence from the very start of your project is essential as progress reports must be submitted every quarter and successful applicants will be expected to maintain records in relation to qualitative and quantitative information, based on agreed performance indicators and using an outcomes framework.

The Regional Commissioning Unit may undertake monitoring visits during the lifespan of the project.

Expenditure in relation to the project must be documented and all copies of invoices and receipts must be submitted for auditing purposes.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Submit your application via email to: carol.hindley@vamt.net. You will receive an email acknowledgement.

If you wish to send your application by post, send to:
Carol Hindley, Admin & Finance Manager, Voluntary Action Centre, 89-90 High Street, Merthyr Tydfil, CF47 8UH.

All applications must be received by **5pm on Friday 17th September 2021**
Please note it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that completed applications are received by this date.

CHECKLIST

Ensure that the following is also submitted alongside your completed application form:

SMALL GRANTS
Annual accounts and current bank statement

For further information please contact:
Anne Morris – 07736 587912 or
Claire Williams – 07946 495306