

Key Facts for Members

Our Manchester Voluntary & Community Sector Grant Programme

- Population Health Targeted Fund -

- [Manchester Health & Care Commissioning \(MHCC\)](#) are investing £2.165m into the Our Manchester Voluntary & Community Sector (OMVCS) grant programme for 2019 to 2021, for the delivery of the 'Population Health Targeted Fund'. The fund will focus on delivery of two of the Manchester Health and Care Commissioning (MHCC) priorities and objectives as set out in the Manchester Population Health Plan 2018-2027
 - Creating an age friendly city that promotes good health and well-being for people in mid and later life
 - Improving outcomes in the first 1,000 days of a child's life
- **Priority - Older People** - Funds are to be targeted specifically to support work with older people and through specific techniques of volunteering and peer support. The focus is on enhancing individuals' capabilities to provide advice, information and support and to organise activities around health and wellbeing in their own and other communities. Individuals are to be drawn from the community they work in and receive some training and support to undertake health promotion, early intervention and sometimes care in the community. Peer support involves providing positive social support and helping buffer against stressors

Grant funding available £1,061,332

- **Priority - First 1,000 days of a child's life**
 1. Reducing the rate of infant deaths
 2. Reducing the rate of mothers smoking in pregnancy
 3. Reducing the proportion of low birth weight term babies
 4. Increase rates of breastfeeding
 5. Reducing the number of children (0-4) admitted to hospital with dental decay
 6. Increasing the proportion of children who are ready for school

Grant funding available c£1.1m

The details around 'Improving outcomes in the first 1,000 days of a child's life' will be co-designed with the sector and key stakeholders. The co-design and focus of the Age Friendly priority has already been delivered and will be communicated in more detail in the near future, including the breakdown and allocation of the funds across the city. The aim is to have this new funding round up and running from October 2019.

Whilst much of the details will be co-designed, there are some 'givens' that we already know.

The Givens:

- Only organisations that are already funded (and have been through the due diligence) in the following funds can apply:
 - OMVCS (General Fund)
 - Young Manchester (Youth & Play Fund)
 - Cultural partnership (Grant Agreements).
- There will be a strong emphasis in the fund on working with VCS organisations not already funded by the current programmes - I.e. working in partnership with a funded group
- A focus of the funding will be to increase the level of funding for voluntary sector organisations working in North Manchester
- A focus of the funding will be to increase the amount of funding that goes to services for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities and to BAME organisations. This is being included as a result of previous Equality Impact Assessments.
- All organisations that receive any funding must be VCS organisations already delivering services to people that live in Manchester.
- Due Diligence will be carried out on Partnerships.

An Information event is to be held on **Monday 15 April, 2019, 10am to 12.00pm in the Lecture Room, Manchester Art Gallery, Mosley Street, Manchester, M3 3JL** where groups interested in applying for funding will be able to find out more details and ask questions.