

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - 23 August 2004
REPORT ON: GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS 2004/2005
REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK
REPORT NO: 571-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report details the recommendations of the Director of Social Work on the grant awards to voluntary organisations for 2004/2005.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Social Work Committee: -
agrees payments of grants to the voluntary organisations listed in Appendix 1 at the levels outlined.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of implementing the recommendations within this report is £54,000. This cost can be met from the total 2004/2005 revenue budget provision for grant award payments to voluntary organisations.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 These grants are made to promote social welfare and are targeted at voluntary organisations which provide assistance and promote social inclusion amongst the most vulnerable members of the community.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 A range of voluntary organisations receive funding from the Social Work Department, as payment for specific services provided. The provision of these services is governed by a service level agreement with the organisation concerned.

6.2 However, the Social Work Department also frequently receives requests from voluntary organisations for grant funding to support activities which contribute in general to social welfare.

6.3 Limited budget provision has been made to meet this need, and applications for grant aid were invited in late 2003. Applications received have now been assessed and recommendations for funding are outlined in Appendix 1. All applications were assessed against specific criteria. Priority has been given to those organisations, groups or individuals, whose applications are demonstrably:

- consistent with the Council's Core Values as outlined in the Council Plan;
- consistent with the Social Work Department's strategic aims, service plan and priorities as detailed in the Social Work Service Plan, the Joint Community Care Plan and the Children's Service Plan;
- of potential benefit to priority groups;
- democratic, publicly accountable and based on equal opportunities principles;
- cost effective, and capable of contributing to partnership working.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Depute Chief Executive (Finance) have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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Date: 12 August 2004

**APPENDIX 1
SECTION 10 APPLICATIONS 2004/2005**

Organisation	Amount Recommended (£)	Purpose
Attic Youth & Children's Project	1,000	Assistance towards operation of a project for Children and Young People aged 6 - 15 who are disadvantaged by poverty. Also a contribution to a one off family event.
Bharatiya Ashram	1,000	Contribution towards the costs of training and transport in relation to the operation of a Lunch Club
Childline	1,700	Contribution to maintain a free, confidential telephone helpline.
	2,500	Contribution towards the cost of providing a circle of support service for Adults with Learning Disabilities
Circles Around Dundee	10,000	Running costs towards maintaining a confidential counselling service.
Couple Counselling	500	Contribution to meet telephone costs
Cruse Bereavement Care	2,500	Contribution to the activity holiday costs for Children and Young People who may otherwise have no access to a holiday.
Discovery Camps Trust	2,000	Contribution towards running costs of "Open Door Project" which aims to support frail older people in the Hilltown Area.
Grey Lodge	1,000	Work with clients who have learning disabilities / challenging behaviour. Contribution towards St Aidan's Project running costs.
Helm Employment/Training Group	2,000	Contribution towards the costs of providing start up packs for homeless people taking up new tenancies
Homeless Starter Packs	500	Work with families/children/young people. Contribution towards costs of running projects.
Inclusion Group		

Organisation	Amount Recommended (£)	Purpose
Management Committee of Kirkton Community Centre	1,500	To provide social, educational, recreation and leisure opportunities to all ages in the Kirkton community
Cool Kids Club	1,500	To provide social, educational, recreation and leisure opportunities during holidays to children and young people in the Kirkton community
Link Club	600	Work with adults with learning disabilities. Contribution towards club running costs.
Little Wing	2,000	To run an anti-stigma event in Dundee in September 2004
M-Line (Male Survivors)	600	Contribution towards costs of volunteers' travel and telephones.
National Autistic Society (Tay Branch)	500	Contribution towards the cost of an outreach programme for children with autistic spectrum disorders
The Profound And Multiple Impairment Service	11,000	Work with people with profound and multiple learning disabilities. Contribution towards running costs.
Pathways To Recovery In Mental Health	2,000	Contribution to rent & utilities costs in the provision of complementary therapies and the provision of an information point.
Samaritans (Dundee)	800	Contribution to running costs of provision of confidential support service to those in distress.
Scottish Motor Neurone Association	500	Contribution to running costs of an equipment lending service
Scottish Spina Bifida Association	500	Contribution towards printing & training costs
Shelter	600	Contribution to Dundee Housing Aid Centre running costs
Scottish Institute for Residential Child Care	2,000	To partly cover costs of conference in September 2004
Tayside Adoptees Group	1,200	Work with adults who have been adopted and their families. Contribution towards meetings, travel expenses, running costs.

Organisation	Amount Recommended (£)	Purpose
Tayside Friends of ARMS (Action for Research on Multiple Sclerosis)	2,000	Contribution towards cost of services for MS Sufferers
	2,000	Contribution towards provision of day service for Older People and people with disabilities
Whitfield Church Day Centre	<hr/>	
	<u>£54,000</u>	