

Harrow Tuberculous (TB) Awareness Grants Scheme

Information

Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative are administering the Harrow Tuberculous (TB) Awareness Grants Scheme on behalf of Harrow Council's Public Health Department.

Aims of grant programme

Tuberculosis (TB) has been increasing in England for over 20 years, with more than 9,000 new cases in 2009. Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) communities (predominantly South Asian or Black African communities), the drug mis-users and homeless population and people with weakened immune systems are disproportionately affected.

Harrow has one of the highest TB rates in London. It is crucial that people with TB are diagnosed and treated quickly to minimise transmission to others. However, many people do not know what the symptoms are, and are unaware that TB is curable and treatment is free.

This grants programme aims to unfold fears, dispel myths and change stigma about the illness by enabling applicants to strike up a conversation with the residents of Harrow about TB, raising awareness and sharing good practise.

The Harrow Tuberculous Grants programme objectives are:

- Raise awareness about TB.
- Share good practice about TB.
- Getting more people with TB symptoms, to go and see a doctor and ask to be tested for TB.

We invite applicants to bid for an amount between £250 and £1,500. The total grant pot is £7,000 and we reserve the right to divide the grant amongst several organisations.

Please be aware the average grant given will be £500. If you are applying for more your project must clearly show why, and is expected to reach a large number of people who are likely to be disproportionately affected.

Eligibility requirements:

- Application is seeking grant funding of a maximum of £1,500.
- All of the proposed activity is confined to the London Borough of Harrow and predominantly targets Harrow residents.
- All of the proposed activity would be delivered by 29th January 2016.
- The organisation has a bank account (registered in the name of the applicant organisation) into which a grant can be paid.

Applicants can apply for funding for:

- Direct project costs
- Capital costs
- Overheads
- Revenue costs

Types of activities that might be funded, but not exclusive too:

- Project providing access to training/advice
- Committee, volunteer and/or staff training
- Promotional/Awareness Raising Events

To apply for a grant - submit your proposal using the application form which can be accessed by visiting:

[Harrow TB Grant Application Form \[PDF\]](#) // [\[Word Document\]](#)

Copies of this form are available in large print on request.

Grant conditions:

1. Successful grant applicants are expected to complete their expenditure by the 29th January 2016 and provide monitoring information on the outcomes of the project as well as receipts of expenditure within two weeks of when requested.
2. Applicants must spend allocated funds on activities for which they were approved. Any under spend of £50 or more must either be returned for reallocation or spent on appropriate alternatives which have been approved in writing by Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative.
3. If an organisation makes any unapproved deviation of expenditure the grant will have to be repaid to Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative.
4. Grants are not offered for activities that happen or start before Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative confirm outcome of grant application.
5. Applications will only be considered if they have been received by the deadline.

Sending your application:

By Email (preferred): contact@voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk

By Post:

Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative
The Lodge, 64 Pinner Road
Harrow
Middlesex
HA1 4HZ

On receipt of your application an acknowledgement will be sent. If you do not receive an acknowledgement within five working days, you should contact Voluntary Action Harrow Co-operative.

Once the application has been received, we will not contact you for any clarification on the information provided. You must ensure that all the information needed is provided in your application to be considered.

If you have any further queries regarding the above, please contact:

- 020 8861 5894
- contact@voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk
- The Lodge, 64 Pinner Road, Harrow, HA1 4HZ

Deadline for applications is 5pm, Monday 28th September 2015.

No late applications will be considered.

You will be notified of the decision no later than three weeks after the closing date.