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About Trust for London

We are the largest independent charitable trust funding work which tackles poverty and inequality in the capital. We are particularly interested in work that develops new and imaginative ways of addressing the root causes of London's social problems, especially work which has the potential to influence and change policy, practice and public attitudes. We are willing to take risks by supporting unpopular causes and activities that government is unlikely to fund. Annually we provide around £7 million in grants to approximately 120 organisations.




Our funding priorities

- 1 Employment
- 2 Advice
- 3 Social Justice
- 4 Violence
- 5 Small Groups

Aim 1 – Employment

- Projects developing new models of supporting people into work and improving job retention, which have significant potential for influencing policy and practice.
- Work providing progression routes out of low-paid work.
- Research on employment-related issues.
- Improving the capacity and skills of voluntary and community organisations working on employment-related issues.
- Policy change and campaigning work.

Aim 2 – Advice

- Employment legal advice (casework & representation).
 - Immigration legal advice (casework & representation).
 - Policy and campaigning work.
 - Research to improve the evidence base on the value of advice.
 - Developing new models of funding advice work.
 - Improving the capacity and skills of voluntary and community organisations working in the advice sector.
 - Co-ordinating the delivery of advice services at a local and regional level.
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Aim 3 – Social Justice

- Policy change and campaigning work on the following issues:
 - Reducing poverty
 - Reducing income inequality
 - Improving housing
 - Promoting environmental justice
 - Promoting equality and civil rights.
- Improving the capacity and skills of voluntary and community organisations who are undertaking campaigning work.
- Pilot projects to build the capacity of service delivery organisations to use their evidence to campaign for policy change.
- Research which provides greater insights into poverty and inequality issues.

Aim 4 – Violence

- New models of conflict resolution work with young people.
- Disability hate crime – prevention work and projects supporting victims/survivors of disability hate crime.
- Harmful practices - prevention work and support to victims of harmful practices such as forced marriage, female genital mutilation and ‘honour’ based violence.
- Policy and campaigning work to improve the quality, accessibility and provision of support to victims/survivors of gender-based violence and victims of hate crime, including homophobia and racism.

Aim 5 – Small Groups

To apply under this area of work your organisation must have an annual income of under £75,000.

- Speaking out and campaigning activities.
- Advice and information work.
- Practical activities to improve local neighbourhoods – small-scale activities which bring different groups of people together to enhance their environment.

How to apply

Please read our full funding guidelines carefully to check whether your proposed work fits our priorities. If, after reading these guidelines, you are in doubt as to whether your work fits then please telephone us so we can discuss and answer any specific queries you may have. If you are confident your work meets our funding priorities you need to complete our application form. Please read the accompanying guidance notes carefully. They explain what information we are seeking under each question and should help you to complete the application form. All documents can be downloaded from www.trustforlondon.org.uk

Closing dates

- 4 February for our June Grants Committee
- 28 May for our October Grants Committee
- 8 October for our February Grants Committee

Applications must be delivered to our office by 5pm on the closing date. Please note that we do not accept applications sent by e-mail or fax.

Our office address is 6 Middle Street, London EC1A 7PH

More information

Available on our website including:

- Funding Priorities 2012-2017
- Frequently asked questions
- Lists of recent grants we have made

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