Bold Collective Sustainability Micro-Grant 2023-2024
Guidance Document

Overview

The Bold Collective would like to invite young members to submit proposals to be awarded micro-grants of up to £500 for a Sustainable Project or Development which will be taking place between October 2023 – February 2024. The Sustainability Grant can be for an individual or group. The Bold Collective is looking to support a maximum of six projects between October 2023 and February 2024 through this first year of the programme.

The Sustainability Grant scheme will help The Bold Collective achieve the Aims and Objectives outlined below;

1. Young individuals and groups will increase sustainable practice and further knowledge of best sustainable practices.
2. Young individuals and groups accessing creative activity across the city will be diverse and inclusive.

Members should refer to how their proposed project will achieve the above aims. All projects or spending must take place by the 1st March 2024.

The submission window for this grant ends at 5pm on Friday 15th September. Proposals received after the closing date will not be considered. Unfortunately, Glasgow CAN foresees receiving more proposals than it will be able to support through this initial round of the programme. Feedback will be offered to unsuccessful members.

Key Priorities

The Bold Collective are a youth-led dynamic cohort who programme activity to serve the young people of Glasgow to improve employability and gain access to artistic practice.

We prioritise Sustainable Practice, Connection and Diverse Representation within communities and the youth arts sector, and will work towards achieving this through the new SUSTAINABILITY Grant. Therefore, if a submitted proposal is not in-line with these priorities it is unlikely to be successful.

ALL ACTIVITY MUST HAVE AN ELEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE EXAMPLES FOR INSPIRATION.

Eligibility

A grant will not be awarded to:

- Anyone outwith our funded age range of 16-24
- Projects that will take place outside of Glasgow
- Cover costs that are not ‘business or trading’ related such as someone’s personal rent or mortgage
- Cover historical costs, such as an item purchased before 15th October 2023
- Someone other than who the grant was intended for (it cannot be passed to someone else or another organisation in need)
- Pay off a debt
- Projects that do not have a sustainability focus to their work or practice
- Proposals submitted after the deadline of 15th September 2023
- Projects or spending which takes place after 1st March 2024
- Proposals seeking more than £500 from The Bold collective

The grant can be used towards;
- Projects which take place in Glasgow
- Projects which take place or seek to reach people living in areas of deprivation in the city
- Pilot projects or new partnerships (partnership between Bold Collective members are encouraged)
- An existing project that will benefit the local community in a green/environmentally friendly way
- To support activities going online/digital with an environmentally friendly aspect
- Cover access and inclusion costs

- To support the commissioning of a freelance artist(s) to carry out a piece of work that benefits the local community or a community of interest in a green/environmentally friendly way
- Materials, equipment and/or digital costs for a practice or workshop (although this must not exceed 30% of the total amount asked for)

Project Proposal Form

Members should attempt to answer all of the questions outlined in the Project Proposal Form. Members may include links to previous work, websites, social media sites, YouTube channels etc. Please note that extra links are not obligatory. Only completed Project Proposal Forms will be accepted as applications to the Sustainability Grant scheme. Other forms of proposals unless otherwise agreed with a Glasgow CAN core team member because of access needs, will not be accepted.

Please do not exceed the word limit for each question and importantly do not feel obligated to write the maximum amount for each question as this is not always necessary to get the information across. The Bold Collective are acutely aware that young members are under an increased amount of pressure to complete forms, seek funding, and adapt their practice, in order to navigate their way through this extremely difficult time. Therefore, we have tried to keep this application process as simple as possible and not overly time consuming.

Please refer to the above Aims and Objectives of the scheme and Glasgow CAN's Key Priorities throughout your proposal.

Financial Information

Please complete section 6 of the Project Proposal Form carefully and use the space provided to demonstrate a break-down of costs and explain where appropriate how you came to these costs. Please follow Scottish Artist Union industry standard rates of pay when planning staff costs and fees (wwwartistsunion.scot/pay_rates_2020). Members may attach a separate budget sheet if they want to.

Please be aware of the responsibility of being awarded a Sustainability Grant. For example, if the funds are not spent within the period guidelines, the funds must be returned for another participant to benefit.

Visuals

Please do not include large images in the main body of your proposal document. Links to websites or social media pages may be used instead but are not obligatory.

Deadline for project Proposal Forms

The submission window for this round of the Create Grant scheme closes at 5pm on Friday 15th September 2023. Any proposals submitted out-with these dates will not be considered.

Monitoring and Evaluation

The Bold Collective will send out an Evaluation form to all awardees to be completed by an agreed deadline (likely end March 2023). Please keep appropriate monitoring records from the outset of the project. For example; details of the number of participants applicants reached through the project, equalities information, what changes were made to the lives of those involved, any skills developed, project legacy and any changes to how the grant was spent (which must be authorised by Glasgow
CAN). Please be aware that The Bold Collective must report back to the National Lottery on its spending and activity, therefore adhering to the deadline above would be appreciated so that we are able to collate all of the information in its own reports.

Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion

Members must demonstrate a commitment to Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI). This should be an integral part of proposed project. Please outline throughout the proposal how the proposed project will be accessible, inclusive and representative of Glasgow’s diverse communities.

Any other information

The Bold Collective are aware of how challenging it can be to apply for funding. Please get in touch if you want to apply but require further support, clarification or guidance as to how to complete the Project Proposal Form.

Deadline for project Proposal Forms

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For enquiries about access or requests for further information please email cat@glasgowcan.org.

Thank you.

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