

Health Development Fund

Application Guidelines



Derbyshire Dales CVS

What is the Health Development fund?

In 2011 – 2012, Derbyshire Dales CVS has a fund of approximately £9,000 which it administers on behalf of both Derbyshire County Primary Care Trust and the Derbyshire Dales and High Peak Local Strategic Partnership's Choosing Health fund. The fund is used to make grants to voluntary and community groups in the Derbyshire Dales for health and well-being activities related activities.

How much is the grant?

Grants awarded are to £500. Larger grants can be considered in *exceptional* circumstances.

Who can apply?

To apply for this fund you must:

- Be a non-profit making voluntary sector organisation or community group that is based in and / or works in the Derbyshire Dales;
- Have an annual turnover of less than £20,000 in your last financial year;
- Have a management committee;
- Have a bank account in the name of the organisation;
- Have a constitution or other form of governing document;
- (In the case of a newly established group, you must be able to show that you have plans to put the things mentioned above in place.)

What kind of work will the fund support?

We will support organisations or specific projects that aim to improve people's health and well being. Listed below are some examples of the kind of issues that we want to address through this fund, but we will consider any application where the applicant is able to demonstrate that their work will have a positive impact on people's health and well-being.

We would be interested in funding projects that

- promote healthy exercise and physical activity;
- promote better mental health through social interaction and activity;
- reduce levels of smoking and promote sensible drinking;
- reduce harm caused by illegal drugs;
- promote sexual health;
- improve diet and nutrition;
- reduce levels of obesity;
- reduce stress by alleviating the causes of stress;
- help support people with long-term illnesses, conditions and disabilities.

We are particularly interested in funding new projects and organisations, new and innovative pieces of work, and existing pieces of work that have demonstrably improved peoples health and well being. We are also interested in supporting less popular causes and work that supports disadvantaged and marginalised sections of the community.

What kind of costs will we support?

The fund will support any costs that are directly related to the delivery of the work described on your application form. However, the grants panel will look less favourably on applications where:

- The organisation has a high level of reserves relative to its annual turnover and running costs;
- The grant would be a very small contribution to a much larger project;
- There is no evidence that the applicant has made any effort to estimate the costs accurately.

How to apply

Please contact DDCVS for an application form. The forms can be made available in large print or on tape. The form can also be downloaded from our website by going to www.ddcvs.org.uk/grants/health-development/ Please ask if you would like support completing the form or advice about whether your group is eligible for a grant.

The grants panel is made up of staff and trustees from DDCVS and other local agencies. The panel meets on a quarterly basis each year to consider applications. **Applications must be submitted by the last day of the quarter as follows: last day of June, last day of September, last day of December and last day of March.** The panel will meet shortly after the end of each quarter, and we will let you know the outcome of your application as soon as possible after the meeting. If your application has been successful, you will be asked to sign a short funding agreement and complete a monitoring form a few months after the grant has been paid.

Can I apply more than once?

You can send more than one application in to the same funding round, as long as your applications are demonstrably for different projects or pieces of work. You can apply to the fund as often as you like, but priority will be given to new applicants and those that can demonstrate a current and pressing need for the funding. You can reapply if a previous application has been unsuccessful, unless we have advised you not to.

Applications forms should be sent to Neil Moulden, Derbyshire Dales CVS, The Agricultural Business Centre, Agricultural Way, Bakewell DE45 1AH