

## Community Independence Grant Guidance

The Community Independence grant can be used to kickstart projects, activities and events to benefit your community.

Up to £500 available to support your project. We occasionally award more to deliver project ideas of special benefit to Yorkshire Housing customers.

Previous awards have included:

- Bangladeshi Playscheme
- Aspire Social Isolation Project
- Art Therapy
- Boxing Programme
- Sir Laugh a Lot Community Project

You must have a community or club/society bank account if you want a grant to be transferred to an account and we may ask for proof of your bank details along with your grant application.

If your group doesn't have a bank account we can arrange to buy goods/services directly on your behalf. We don't pay grants into individual accounts.

Please have a chat with a member of our team if you need more information.

We are interested in projects accessible to Yorkshire Housing customers. It also needs to meet one or more of the following priorities:

- Health & Wellbeing
- Digital Skills
- Young peoples
- Social Inclusion

If you are unsure if your project is near Yorkshire Housing homes or meets a priority, please email communityenquiries@yorkshirehousing.co.uk

## **Community Grant Process**

Fill out an application on our website or let us know if you need a paper version You receive an acknowledgement of your application from the Community Independence Team

You receive an email or letter to let you know if you have been successful or we might ask for more information to help make a decision.

We'll help
promote your
project via social
media / customer
newsletters
where agreed

Your grant payment is processed to the bank details provided or goods/services bought on your behalf (as agreed)

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Use the grant to help towards your activities or event!

We'll send you an evaluation sheet to update as your project progresses

Complete
evaluation form
received and return
to Community
Independence Team

## The grant can pay for...

- Equipment
- Venue cost
- Volunteer expenses
- Transport

## The grant can't pay for...

- Alcohol
- Political campaigning
- Profit-making activities
- Salaries for paid workers