

Expertise and finance available for Your Community Project













Grants available: up to £1,000

For many children the school holidays are not just a break from the classroom, they are also a break from hot meals.

Opening a Lunch Kitchen helps to ensure children who receive free school meals get at least one cooked meal during the school holidays.

The Social Franchising model ensures safety and consistency whilst offering support to each franchise.

Annual MakeLunch Fee: £150

Tackle male isolation with a Men's Shed project

A Men's Shed is a larger version of a garden shed.

They are places of skill-sharing and informal learning, of individual pursuits and community projects, of purpose, achievement and social interaction.

Whichever activities are pursued the essence of a Shed is not a building but the network of relationships between the members

Grants are available to help establish a Men's Shed project.

To find out more contact info@greatertogethermanchester.org



Digital Exclusion is a growing problem, with more services turning to online forms and communication becoming increasingly "digitised".

Without basic digital skills vulnerable people are at risk of being socially isolated, unable to manage their health or finances and potentially trapped in a cycle of long-term unemployment.

Providing free access to computers and basic IT support can be a lifeline to people who are digitally excluded.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available



Community Money Advice centres provide free, face to face debt advice, helping people to develop an individual debt management plan and supporting them to free themselves of debt.

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This process can take many years to fully manage through and the centres will continue to support people over this time.

CMA can provide you with materials and expertise to help you establish and maintain your centre. This includes a dedicated regional Operational Support Manager, regular updates on legislative changes and debt management software.

Grants available: up to £3,000 for 3 years



Join the Greater Manchester Winter Night Shelter

Offer a safe, warm bed for those people who find themselves homeless and unable to access statutory support in your area.

The scheme is centrally coordinated, with churches opening their buildings, helping recruit volunteers and offering friendship and support to vulnerable people

Grants are available to help cover the Housing Justice accreditation and start up and running costs. For more information contact

info@greatertogethermanchester.org

Interested in developing a project or service for young people? We have partners who would love to support you in creating a bespoke service that supports young people.

There are grants of up to £5,000 for 3 years available.



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Places of Welcome is a network of small community organisations, including faith communities, who offer an unconditional welcome to local people for at least a few hours a week

The network is based on trust, respect and generosity. They have developed a set of guiding principles, the 5P's - Place, People, Presence, Provision and Participation.

Each Place Of Welcome needs a coordinator who can manage it on a week by week basis; acting as the point of contact, supporting volunteers, connecting with the wider Places Of Welcome network, and manage signposting information.

Grants available: up to £3,000 per year for 3 years

Interested in supporting children and families?
There are plenty of ways you can add value to the work

done by schools and children's centres.

Get in touch to find out more about the funding and support available



A Welcome Box helps newly arrived families and individuals feel valued and accepted and extends a hand of welcome and friendship in the neighbourhood. They provide information about local groups and services and can help for example, with finding an English class or a local doctor.

The concept of a 'welcome box' for displaced people has been developed all over the world and they are a real and practical way of welcoming vulnerable people into their new community.

Groups can receive help and support on how to set up a Welcome Boxes project as well as resources to train volunteers and build partnerships.

Grants available: up to £1,500 per

year for 3 years



Interested in providing a service that gives people an alternative to Food Banks? Want to ensure that people have access to quality, healthy and affordable food?

There are loads of new and innovative ways communities can make good food accessible to all.

Contact us to find out more about creating a 'Beyond the Food Bank' project BEYOND THE FOOD BANK

Form a partnership with other churches and interested groups in your area and help keep late night revellers safe and reduce crime in your local area.

Some Street Angel teams simply have a visibility on the streets, handing out water and flip flops and ensuring that anyone who is vulnerable stays safe. Other projects choose to have a drop in where they can provide additional support and assistance.

Grants available: up to £10,000 per year for 3 years



A CAP Job Club is a friendly place where you will get practical help as you seek employment. It's a relaxed environment where job seekers get support and gain the tools needed to find work.

In order to launch a CAP Job Club you will need the following:

- A CAP Job Club Manager to work 8 hours across the week and run the club at least 26 weeks per year.
- Regular use of a room and computer with access to the internet and a printer.
- Volunteers to help run the club.
- Refreshments.
- To pay the CAP Partnership Contribution: £720 per year.



Grants available: up to £5,000 start-up funding in the first year and subsequent £2,500 revenue funding per year for the following 2 years



How to apply for funding and support

There is a wide range of support available to groups interested in tackling poverty.

By applying to the Council for Social Aid for funding, you will also get the opportunity to receive advice and guidance from the members of the Anti Poverty Task Group, as well as support in establishing your own project from Greater Together Manchester.

Please note that even if you application for funding is not successful, you may still qualify for help and support from Greater Together Manchester and the Anti Poverty Task Group.

The main criteria for applying for support are:

- The project must be focused on tackling poverty (causes and/or effects).
- The project must be based upon working in partnership with other service providers, groups or organisations.
- The project must be community based and address problems facing people in your locality.
- The beneficiaries of your project must reside primarily within the Diocese of Manchester.

If you are interested in setting up one of the projects listed in this booklet or would like more information about support and funding available please contact Lily Axworthy or Colin Barson via the Department of Mission and Ministry at the Diocese of Manchester on 0161 828 1400 or email lily@greatertogethermanchester.org or colinbarson@manchester.anglican.org

The Council for Social Aid is a Registered Charity which gives grants to projects in connection to the Church of England that alleviate poverty.

Greater Together Manchester is a joint venture between Church Urban Fund and the Diocese of Manchester, which looks to work with and support projects that tackle poverty.

The Anti Poverty Task Group is a Diocesan based multisector partnership between groups and organisations that work to combat both the causes and effects of poverty across the Diocese and beyond.