

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE - 16 JUNE 2003

REPORT ON: GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS 2003/2004

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

REPORT NO: 403 - 2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report details the recommendations of the Director of Social Work on the grant awards to voluntary organisations for 2003/2004.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Social Work Committee:-

2.1 agrees payments of grants to the voluntary organisations listed in Appendix 1 at the levels outlined.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of implementing the recommendations within this report is £46,125. This cost can be met from the total 2003/2004 revenue budget provision for grant award payments to voluntary organisations.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 These grants are made to promote social welfare and are targeted at voluntary organisations which provide assistance and promote social inclusion amongst the most vulnerable members of the community.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 A range of voluntary organisations receive funding from the Social Work Department, as payment for specific services provided. The provision of these services is governed by a service level agreement with the organisation concerned.

6.2 However, the Social Work Department also frequently receives requests from voluntary organisations for grant funding to support activities which contribute in general to social welfare.

6.3 Limited budget provision has been made to meet this need, and applications for grant aid were invited in late 2002. Applications received have now been assessed and recommendations for funding are outlined in Appendix 1. All applications were assessed against specific criteria. Priority has been given to those organisations, groups or individuals, whose applications are demonstrably:

- consistent with the Council's Core Values as outlined in the Council Plan;
- consistent with the Social Work Department's strategic aims, service plan and priorities as detailed in the Social Work Service Plan, the Joint Community Care Plan and the Children's Service Plan;
- of potential benefit to priority groups;
- democratic, publicly accountable and based on equal opportunities principles;
- cost effective, and
- capable of contributing to partnership working.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 The Director of Support Services and Director of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

9.0 DATE

Alan Baird
Director of Social Work

Date: 9 June 2003

APPENDIX 1
SECTION 10 APPLICATIONS 2003/2004

<u>ORGANISATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
Age Concern, Dundee.	£1,500	Assistance towards funding one-year pilot programme to improve service provision for members with dementia.
Childline Scotland.	£1,730	To maintain a free confidential telephone helpline for any child or young person.
Couple Counselling (Tayside).	£8,555	Running costs towards maintaining a confidential counselling service.
Cruse Bereavement Care.	£400	Contribution to meet telephone costs.
Deafblind Scotland.	£2,000	Costs to enable deafblind people in Dundee to access services and to identify other people eligible for membership.
Dundee Tape Newspaper.	£500	Contribution towards the provision of audio taped newspaper and magazine to visually impaired people in Dundee and Tayside.
Dundee Community Care Planning Forum.	£620	Costs towards a series of open meetings which will benefit service providers, service users and carers.
Dundee Women and Children Project.	£1,600	Funding for outings/activities for young people aged 8-16. Assistance with purchase of furniture.
Grey Lodge Settlement.	£2,250	Contribution towards "Open Door Project" running costs which aims to support frail elderly people in the Hilltown Area.
Headway Tayside.	£2,100	Support people with brain injury. Contribution towards support group and carers group meetings.
HELM Employment/Trainin g Group.	£1,000	Work with clients who have learning disabilities/challenging behaviour. Contribution towards St Aidans Project running costs.
Hearing Voices Network Dundee.	£3,200	Work with people who have mental illness. Contribution towards conference costs.

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PAMIS.	£3,970	Work with people with profound and multiple learning disabilities. Contribution towards running costs.
Partners in Advocacy.	£2,000	Provide citizen advocacy for children and adults with learning disability. Assistance with publicity/recruitment costs for advocates. Purchase of training materials.
Samaritans of Dundee.	£2,000	Contribution towards the purchase of items of new equipment for offices/training facilities.
Shelter Scotland.	£750	Work with anyone in Dundee who is homeless or has a housing problem. Assistance with rent for Dundee premises.
Scottish Spina Bifida Association.	£800.	Contribution towards SSBA Family Support Service costs which benefit all service users, including those in Dundee.
Starter Packs Dundee.	£2,000.	Provide basic household goods/bedding to homeless, individuals and families. Contribution towards maintaining this service.
The Furniture Project.	£6,000	Contribution towards running costs for this Project, will fund deliveries to SWD clients.
The Link Club.	£650	Work with adults with learning disabilities. Contribution towards club running costs.
Tayside Adoptees Group (TAG).	£1,000	Work with adults who have been adopted and their families. Contribution towards meetings, travel expenses, running costs.
Youth-Link (Dundee).	£1,000	Work with young people aged 5-18 who live in Dundee. Contribution towards running costs of the One-to-One Befriending Project Referrals via SWD and Home School Support Service.
The Inclusion Group	£500	Work with families/children/young people Contribution towards costs of running projects.
Total Grants Paid	£46,125	