INNOVATION FUND GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS

Activities are listed in the order in which they were scored against the published criteria, starting with the top score

ORGANISATION	SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY PROPOSED	AWARD REQUESTED	AWARD RECOMMENDED
Community Enterprise East London	Year 2 funding for a project in wards with highest proportions of ill health & highest number of older residents (Mayesbrook & Heath) working with volunteers to maintain the gardens of vulnerable adults and bring them back into use, thereby producing food and reducing eyesore gardens. Project will increase scope to one further ward, based on statistical need.	£9,999	£9,999
Barking & Dagenham Youth Dance	Mums can dance: young people being trained to teach and then deliver dance classes for Mums across communities	£5,176	£5,176
Barking & Dagenham Turkish Women's Association	'Elderly & disability independent living project': recruiting and training 10 volunteers to work with 60 elderly people from all communities around: Supported independent living Advice and info around personalised care Assist clients to attend social activities and specialist provision	£9,960	£9,960
PC Repairs community enterprise (Reach Africa)	Working with 15 individuals with little or no formal qualifications from all sections of the community, drawn primarily from the Dagenham area, to gain an IT industry recognised NVQ, building computers from scratch in a supportive environment, linking to mainstream learning providers.	£9,960	£9,960
Samaritans of Redbridge (serving East London)	Offering increased support to residents of the borough by increasing the number of volunteers locally and running targeted outreach programmes for people at risk e.g men aged 30-60 years.	£10,000	£5,000

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St Thomas Becontree	Money coaching: a new project teaching budgeting skills to people struggling with debt, training volunteers to deliver the programme and setting up appropriate referrals.	£9,407	£9,407
Green Shoes Arts	Working with Chestnut Court Care Home and William Bellamy school to develop a 3-month reminiscence project focusing on Heath ward. The project will create a public exhibition, bringing in local residents and increasing intergenerational understanding and working.	£2,705.62	£2,705.62
Thames Tenants & Residents Association	The Community Garden project will develop a garden on the site of the old health centre on Bastable Avenue: o engaging the whole community, o providing a community space o building trust and friendship	£9,999	£7,500
Rwandese Abagimigambi	Rwandese Abagimigambi Sustainable Community Development Project would seek to work with the Tutsi and Hutu (or Twas) communities in the borough breaking down barriers through social activities, dance classes and supplementary schooling.	£8,980	NIL
Health Psychology Management Organisation Services	Recruit 5 volunteers to be trained as coordinators and promote informal adult education. Recruit 5 volunteers to be involved in various projects – mental and physical health projects	£9,040	NIL
Grains Of Knowledge	'Football manic' and 'flavours of Barking and Dagenham': a ten week project based on the Gascoigne estate providing: o Football sessions with volunteers for 8-14 years o Healthy eating sessions for the whole community & a "taste of Barking" event	£9,999	NIL

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Ethnic Minorities Partnership Agency	BAME Employment Training Providers Consortium, (ETPC): working with 10 BAME employment trainers to: O Develop their capacity Provide funding support Facilitate 2 partnership bids Provide 2 training and 2	£9,990	NIL
Advice & Learning Bureau (ALB)	networking opportunities Learning and Employment Advice service: working with French speaking Africans to provide training, legal advice, debt advice etc and encourage the accessing of mainstream services	£9,999	NIL
Disablement Information Advice Line (DIAL)	Home visits for welfare benefits: home visiting support service for elderly and house bound – 4 clients per week.	£6,850	NIL
Yu Hua Chinese Association (Barking & Dagenham)	 Will support Chinese residents to: Provide classes and activities Encourage the community to access mainstream services and events Help parents to understand the UK education system, Work with other communities on community events 	£9,350	NIL
Barking & Dagenham Somali Women's Association	Bridging and community engagement project: Working with the Somali and wider community to: O Providing Information, support and advice O Act as a resource for other community groups and council departments and individuals O To sign post members to specialist advisors for learning English, housing, health and welfare benefits O Provide social functions and events for the community	£9,982	NIL

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Arabic Speaking Women's Group	Understanding and enjoying Barking and Dagenham: work with Arabic speakers to: Hold weekly 3 hour sessions on citizenship and community organising in partnership with other voluntary groups Provide advice and advocacy on housing benefits, access to hospitals and schools Provide weekly 2 hourly ESOL classes for their client group Provide a written Arabic Guide to public services	£6,000	NIL
The Diaspora Community Project	This will focus on the long term unemployed by: • Assist the unemployed back to work through Level 1 EDI accredited Training Programme • Provide psychological and mental support • Provide employability training • Provide work placement and volunteer opportunities	£9,990	NIL
Truth and Love Project	Youth Mentoring scheme: Work with 43 young people in a mentoring project to improve social skills and discuss issues.	£9,999	NIL

Applications not considered

ORGANISATION	REASON NOT CONSIDERED
B & D Forum for the Elderly	Initial documentation not complete
Becontree Heath Allotments & Garden Assoc.	Initial documentation not complete
Community Active Support	Initial documentation not complete
Global Action Research & Development Initiative Ltd	Not constituted for one year
Street Pastors B & D	Not constituted for one year
The Small Business Consultancy	Income too high
The Streetwyze Community Youth Music Project	Initial documentation not complete
Volunteer Reading Help - London North & East	Income too high