

The Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives



FUNDING APPLICATION

Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission is “Committed to putting victims first and making Northamptonshire the safest place in England.”

This Commission has set an ambitious Police and Crime Plan containing six outcomes as follows:

- There will be a reduction of at least 40% in violent crime
- There will be a focus on eradicating drugs and reducing acquisitive crime
- Anti-social behaviour will be robustly and intelligently tackled
- Northamptonshire will have a more visible police force
- Northamptonshire will be a secure place
- Northamptonshire will have the safest roads

We must build a model of crime prevention and policing that meets the needs of the county and uses resources to deliver real value and outcomes. In this respect I have created the Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives that will enhance the capacity of faith-based and community organisations and groups to design and implement successful initiatives and programmes of work to increase community safety.

I am committed to achieving sustainable improvements to crime prevention and community safety and I believe that by investing in faith-based and community initiatives we will see an increase in local community participation, an increase in creative and innovative activities on the ground and I believe that faith-based and community initiatives can and will make a significant contribution to the aforementioned outcomes and wider agenda.



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FUNDING APPLICATION FORM

The information on this form will help us to properly appraise your application so please do refer to the eligibility criteria and feel free to contact me (Helen Boardman) if there is anything that you don't understand - my mobile number is 07557 775998.

Q1. Contact Details

Name of organisation: Northamptonshire Development Society

Organisation address: 15 ST Giles Street, Northampton

Postcode: NN1 3LB.

The first contact person should be someone from your organisation who can discuss the application. The second person is somebody who is in support of your application and can vouch for your ability to deliver what you have proposed. This could be an existing or previous funder, a trustee or someone else in a professional office.

About your organisation

Q2. What type of organisation are you?

Constituted community group

Other (please state):

Unregistered community group/club/society

Registered charity

Registered charity number:

Q3. How long has your organisation been operating?

Please give date: since
11/11/2013

ABOUT YOUR PROPOSED INITIATIVE

The initiative's name is: **PREVENTING BAD HABITES**

Q4. What police and crime plan outcome(s) will your initiative contribute towards?

Northamptonshire will be a more secure place

There will be a reduction in violent crime

There will be less drugs and less acquisitive crime

There will be less anti-social behaviour

Roads will be safer

Q5. How will your initiative help to achieve the above outcome(s) and will it be innovative in any way?

The project will target 3 specific needs identified through discussions by parents, youth and the organization's management which are shortage or lack of (a) education and employability support (b) crime, anti-social behaviour and drugs awareness and (c) sports and healthy activities for positive. These issues have been identified to be affecting the youth most. Most of the young people are not restricted to but live at Springborough, Semilong and Kings Heath. Through the discussions, parents and elders stated that their children are deviating from education and following wrong crowds consistently and they lack the money and organizational capacity to tackle it. Ideas generated from the meetings stated that if there was positive activities taking place, which included parents and youth this could be avoided. For this, we intent to provide activities such as football, social events and educational sessions to support future life aspirations. All the people who will make use of this project are of the low socio-economic class, majority being from the BMEs in Springborough, Semilong and Kings Heath. Most of the families are of low income that is not able to pay for extracurricular activities for their youth. A good number of our service users are youth of single mothers and people on government support. We believe this project will make a much needed difference and increase positive development within the community and reduce violent crime, anti-social behaviour. drugs and crime as well as make Northamptonshire a securer place. .

Q6. Who will this initiative support and how many? (Beneficiaries)

The initiative aims to engage and commit at least 30 people to take part of the workshops. All the people who will make use of this project are of the low socio-economic class, majority being from the BMEs in Northampton. Specific problems these people face include families of low income that are not able to pay for extracurricular activities for their youth. A good number of our service users are youth of single mothers and through the discussions we held there seems to be a lack of positive educational socials for this group of people. This initiative will provide a platform to engage and provide a positive alternative to the status quo.

Q7. For what duration and how frequently will the initiative be operational?

The project will be for 6 months. We will arrange a 1 workshop each week and 1 activity session. These two events will be designed to complement each other as an incentive and as a positive flow. The content of the education workshops will include raising awareness of the importance of continuing education, importance of getting a good start in life through GCSE stage, improve youth/parents understanding by breaking cultural differences and how antisocial behaviour diverts people to the wrong path. Will also discuss about crime, drugs and peer pressure. These issues have been identified to be affecting the youth most

Q8. Where will the initiative's beneficiaries reside?

Town/city/village: Northampton

District/Borough: Northamptonshire

Q9. What crime(s) do you foresee the initiative will help to prevent?

The initiative will help to prevent religious crime, cultural crime and sexual crime. Similarly the project will help to prevent and reduce the rate of drug use, violent crime and anti-social behaviour. The educational sessions will raise awareness of these issues and as a result will minimize the risk factors that contribute to criminal activity and maximize the positive factors that help reduce crime and make our communities safer.

Q10. How will your initiative help to increase community safety?

This initiative, through the sessions and activities will increase community safety by raising awareness and educating young people about things that lead to crime such as using drugs or being friends with drug users, will give them prior knowledge and reduce if not prevent it all together their chances of getting involved. Drugs dealers often coerce young people to sell drugs for them, which later make them users. Part of the project will specifically aim to address these types of problems. These sessions will inspire young people to understand that they do matter to the community as whole.

This initiative will increase community safety by raising awareness of a number of issues including discrimination within the following religious, sexual orientation, and gender, cultural and hate crime. The initiative aims to make Northampton a safe place for everybody not just the majority. Moreover, this will be done by organizing workshops whereby speakers will be invited to speak about topics relevant to each specific issue.

Q11. How many people will be involved in your initiative in delivering your initiative?

Management Committee members: 3

Full-time staff:

Part-time staff: 1

Volunteers (not including Management Committee): 6

Q12. How will you actively involve beneficiaries in design, delivery and evaluation of your initiative?

To start with, the beneficiaries will be involved in designing and implementing to be more inclusive and so that people will have ownership. The beneficiaries will be encouraged to participate in its activities and give feedback on evaluation By informing people to make feedback and by taking part in the local initiatives and self-help, involving people as much as possible actively in the decision-making process which regards their development we make organizing group action to give to previously excluded disadvantaged people.

Q13. Will your initiative be inclusive of (and/or) collaborate with other faith groups and non-faith groups?

We will collaborate with all faith groups and non-faith groups, both in reducing acquisitive crime and violent crime. It is also suggested that interventions Accompanied by widespread publicity are even more effective by deterring potential offenders because this project is talking about how to social will be integrated each other and become one nation and every community Islam and non-Islam will become independent but work and opposite with a crime and unit-social behaviour and work to gather how the Northamptonshire will be safe place

Q14. Will your initiative add any social, economic and environmental value to your community?

The initiative will make a Northampton a safe place and improve people's social life as they will be more integrated with each other and other community members. With the education, employability and positive activities will help to gain people confidence and jobs. We believe this project will directly and indirectly benefit many people both in the short term and the long term in more ways than on: Providing extracurricular activities that people cannot afford do not have access to will help them to make use of the existing opportunities by acquiring the essential skills and instil the belief to complete higher education and find a professional job. Therefore if this project is funded it will support people to have better chances in life by:

- (a) We will be providing free education that people are not able to afford currently. The educational sessions aim to hold are not just teaching but more importantly to make people understand they can succeed professionally and that they have the opportunity.
- (b) (b) We will help people to be healthier, more active people and communities by organizing social discussions, events, weekly sports and as people are coming together they will build more friends that benefit them in their social life.

Q15. How will your initiative be sustained beyond the OFBCI funding award?

If funded, this project will continue as it's mainly run by volunteers of the community such as parents, youth members and enthusiastic students that all were involved from the beginning and want to make a difference. As we identified the problems, we understand doing a one off project is not a solution therefore we aim to stay committed and develop gradually in order to bring about a lasting change. Some of the things we are asking for include equipment that will enable us to continue through voluntary means even when we run out of funding.

Q16. Will this project be part of a wider partnership? (Please describe the nature/level of partnership and who are your partners?)

The project is in line with all communities and both government and public expectations on Reducing crime, drugs use, increasing road safety and violent crimes. Moreover, there is the Somali community that we currently work with and more relevantly we are expected to work with the community police. We will be working with the University of Northampton's community engagement department to achieve our goals.

Q17. How will you monitor and evaluate your performance and what evidence could you use to demonstrate that the project has been successful?

At the beginning, with the help of the university volunteers we will develop a survey on the awareness and knowhow of the project aims, we will record this initial information. Then, half way through the project we will distribute the same survey, this will tell us important information like if we are going in the right direction, how much progress we are making and so forth. We will also design a specific survey for each element of the project e.g. one for educational skills and employability, one for drugs and crime awareness and one for health and fitness.

Q18. How could your local policing partners support you to ensure your initiative is a success?

Previously, we have had police support our projects to intervene on violent events. But this time we think it's more relevant that police are invited to some of the events and activities to explain or contribute how Northamptonshire will be a safer place when we all work together. The role of police in the local Community' is important as youth and police need to have positive relations. Areas where Policing Teams have successfully collaborated with the local communities have been found to have less crime, anti-social behaviour and securer. A joint approach in addressing anti-social behaviour and within our organization will deliver positive outcomes.

Q19. When will your initiative take place?

Dates to-from

Q20. Which of our Office of Police and Crime Commissioner overarching ambitions does your initiative most closely relate to?

- Support for victims
- Taking a generation out of crime
- Turning offender's lives around
- Becoming a restorative practice county

Money

Q21. How much money do you wish to apply for?

£3,000

Q22. What aspects are you asking us to fund?

Item	Total Cost	Amount Requested
Sessional Hrs.	£1000	£920
Volunteer expenses	£720	£480
Equipment costs	£600	£600
Venue hire	£1180	£460
Public liability insurance	£320	£320
Educational materials, publicity and refreshments	£300	£220
Grant totals:	£4,120	£3,000

Matched investment and/or in-kind contributions

Q23. Will you match fund with actual funding or in-kind contributions?

£1,120

Q24. How would you describe the people who will primarily benefit from this project?

Victims	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disabled	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specific faith	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youths	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Prisoners	<input type="checkbox"/>
Men	<input type="checkbox"/>	Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ex-offenders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
On licence	<input type="checkbox"/>	BME groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Refugees	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q25. Please indicate the main ethnic background of the people who will benefit from your project.

Race relations (Amendment) Act 2000

* I would describe their ethnic origin as:		
<p>Asian or Asian British</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Indian</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian background</p> <p>Black or Black British</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> African</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caribbean</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any other Black background</p>	<p>Mixed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White & Asian</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White & Black African</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> White & Black Caribbean</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any other mixed background</p> <p>White</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> British</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Irish</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Any other White background</p>	<p>Other Ethnic Group</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chinese</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Any other ethnic group</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to disclose this</p>

Equality Act 2006

* Please indicate the religion or belief of your initiative?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Atheism	<input type="checkbox"/> Jainism	<input type="checkbox"/> Hinduism
<input type="checkbox"/> Buddhism	<input type="checkbox"/> Sikhism	<input type="checkbox"/> Judaism
<input type="checkbox"/> Christianity	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to disclose this
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Islam		

Disability Discrimination Act 2005

* Will any of your beneficiaries have a disability?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to disclose this information
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	