

Police Property Act Fund Application Guidance Notes

About the Fund

The Police Property Act Fund is created from the proceeds of sale of goods recovered by the police that cannot be returned to their original owner. In accordance with the Police Property Act Regulations (1997) all awards from the fund must be for charitable purposes. Applications will be considered jointly by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and the Chief Constable.

Applications are invited from local voluntary and community groups which are working to improve the lives of people in the Thames Valley Police (TVP) area.

Applicants must demonstrate that their project or activity contributes towards meeting one of the below key aims from the PCCs Police and Crime Plan.

| Priority | Key aims | Code for application |
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| Vulnerability Managing demand on services through working together | Improved recognition across the criminal justice system of mental health distress experienced by both victims and offenders, leading to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Referral pathways into appropriate support agencies, and - Improved access to mental health care for those in contact with the criminal justice system | Mental Health |
| | Better understanding by police and partners of the extent and nature of elder abuse, followed by positive action taken to address the issues uncovered. | Elder Abuse |
| | Improved police awareness and robust prosecution of those practising 'more hidden' forms of abuse, including coercive control, stalking, harassment, honour based abuse (HBA) and forced marriage. | Hidden Harm |
| | Improvements in criminal justice experience and outcomes for victims of domestic and sexual abuse. | Criminal Justice Experience |
| Prevention and Early Intervention | Coordinated efforts by police and partner agencies to improve public awareness of measures to protect themselves from cybercrime, particularly targeting those most at | Cybercrime |

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| Improving safeguarding in physical and virtual space | risk (such as those at either end of the age spectrum). | |
| | Increased focus by all agencies on preventing and tackling 'peer on peer' abuse. | Peer on Peer Abuse |
| | A coordinated strategy between police, health and local authorities to tackle Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in Thames Valley, leading to improved reporting of FGM and evidenced approaches on prevention. | Female Genital Mutilation |
| | Improved reporting and understanding of the prevalence and nature of hate crime across Thames Valley. | Hate Crime |
| | Police and partners to address road safety concerns, especially amongst younger people, cyclists and pedestrians. | Road Safety |
| | Improved use of technology by police, in order to prevent crime and support earlier intervention with known offenders. | Technological Surveillance |

Criteria for Funding

Who can apply?

Please check that you meet the following criteria before making an application.

Your organisation should be:

- Working in the Thames Valley Police Force area;
- Able to demonstrate that the application supports one or more of the PCCs key aims and
- A policing and/or community safety related charity or community group

What we won't fund:

- Political activities.
- National medical research and equipment.

How to Apply

Please complete the on-line application form on the PCC's website, which can be found at the below link:

<https://www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/police-property-act-fund/>

If you require any assistance in completing this form, please contact Ian Thompson on 01865 541959.

Closing date: 12pm on Friday 22nd November 2019

GUIDANCE ON COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FORM

About the Applicant and Your Organisation

Please provide details of your organisations name and address, including email address and website if applicable.

The main contact person for this organisation

We need to know the contact details of the person in your organisation who will be able to answer questions about your application.

How would you best describe your organisation?

You do not need to be a registered charity to apply. We do however need to know your registration number if you are registered. If you belong to an umbrella organisation please include the main registration number.

What are the stated aims and objectives of your organisation?

Please give a short description, in under 300 words, about what your group/organisation does.

About Your Proposal (Activity / Project / Service

Which of the PCCs key aims will your organisation / project / activity contribute towards achieving?

Please select the key aims (up to three) that best fit your activity or project

Bids that don't contribute towards any of the key aims will not be considered for funding

How will your organisation / project / activity help the PCC meet the Police and Crime Plan key aim you have indicated above?

Please explain, in less than 300 words, how you will help the PCC and/or TVP achieve the key aim(s) you have selected.

Please note that we require you to provide clear evidence of how your project has already contributed to this area of work.

Geographical Area

Please tell us which area of Thames Valley your project/activity or service relates to.

Working relationship with the Office of the PCC or Thames Valley Police

We recognise that the PCC and/or TVP cannot solve all policing and community safety problems by ourselves. We need help from charities and/or community groups that have embedded links with local communities to solve local issues and local problems, using local people.

Please explain what working links and relationships you have developed with the Office of the PCC and/or Local Police Area, including relevant contact details.

Financial Information

How much funding are you requesting from the Police Property Act Fund?

We are not providing a guideline maximum limit other than to say that we have approximately £170,000 available for this funding round and want to support as many organisations as possible.

Earlier this year we £106,733 to 27 different organisations. Details of all past grant awards can be found on the PCC's website at: www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/police-property-act-fund/

Costs

Please tell us the overall cost of your time limited activity, or annual turnover, whichever is most appropriate

Other Information

Please tell us how you heard about the Police Property Act Fund.

Declaration

Please ensure that the individual who completes the application form signs the document and agrees with the terms and conditions set out.

Your Information

The information you have provided in this application form will be used to contact you regarding the outcome of your grant bid. If you are successful we will use this information to monitor the use of the grant, to publicise the grant allocations and to contact you regarding publicity and events related to this grant. If you have agreed we will also contact you regarding future funding opportunities.

Next steps

You will receive an automated email to confirm that you have submitted your application. Once an evaluation of all applications has been completed applicants will be notified by email whether they have been successful, or not as the case may be.

If successful

Bank details will be sought from those organisations that have been awarded funding so that payment can be made by bank transfer.

Those who have successfully received funding will be invited to a presentation event in the New Year. Invitations will be sent to successful award recipients following the assessment process.

You will be required to submit a report to the Office of the PCC approximately six months after receiving the funding. This report should outline what the funding was spent on and the key achievements and outcomes being delivered.