

Scotch Whisky Action Fund Awardees 2018

Grant Applicant Name	Amount Awarded	Project Description - Detailed
Youth Categories		
Alcohol Education Trust	£18,033	<p>Talk About Alcohol (Education Programme)</p> <p>The grant will help cover the costs of employing a part time co-ordinator to work in Scotland to deliver "Talk about Alcohol" programme. Currently Scottish teachers have to adapt the programme to make it relevant to Scotland. The new part time coordinator post will deliver training to teachers. The initial 2 year remit of the satellite office is to make the 'Talk About Alcohol' available to the 364 secondary schools (290,000 children) and 14 additional needs schools (7000) in Scotland. The aim is to ensure that Scottish children have access to the same level of evidenced, enjoyable and interactive alcohol education as children in England.</p>
CrossReach	£16,070	<p>The Sunflower Garden Project</p> <p>The award will enable Crossreach to continue to provide a Children's Worker, Senior Project Worker, admin support, volunteer training, taxi costs, bus journeys, premises costs and art and activity materials for children affected by parental alcohol use. The project will deliver age appropriate group work programmes after school in 12 week blocks and will cover themes such as understanding addiction; expressing emotions and developing coping strategies using art as a tool. Children are transported to and from the sessions in taxis by volunteer journey buddies. They anticipate that 18 children and young people will benefit from the project over the next 12 months.</p>

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Health Opportunities Team	£23,205	<p>Substance Use (South East)</p> <p>The grant will contribute towards the Substance Use project within South and East Edinburgh, which is experiencing increasing demand. Funding will help them engage with more children and (12-25) who have been identified being at risk from either their own drug and alcohol use or a family member. The project will provide counselling to those currently abusing drugs/alcohol, and support to those at risk of following parents behaviours. 15 young people will benefit from the programme with sessions including peer and group led learning, one-to-one support with more intensive support offered. Outcomes for the young people will be increased emotional resilience and wellbeing, increased awareness of risk, and increased safety.</p>
Edinburgh Young Carers Project (EYCP)	£15,669	<p>Activity Support Project</p> <p>The funding will help cover costs of providing residential activities, core skills, family events and safety sessions to young carers who look after family members that misuse alcohol. The five day residential trip provides opportunities for young people to remain free of their caring responsibilities. The outcomes for the young people are that they are better able to cope at home and are at lower risk of developing alcohol abuse issues. This programme will complement the organisation's other work that aims to reduce alcohol-related harm by providing specialist support to young carers who care for a family member(s) with alcohol addiction. 60 Young Carers between the ages of 5 and 20 years old and their families will benefit.</p>

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Eildon West Youth Hub	£17,348	<p>TD1 – Off Street</p> <p>Eildon West Youth Hub will provide two-weekly sessions to work targeting groups and individuals who have been identified as at-risk of alcohol misuse.. Immediate diversionary activities will be offered, including access to sports and creative sessions. Through a community outreach approach two youth workers will meet young people hanging-out on the streets, and encourage the young people to come into the hub.</p>
O.A.S.I.S - Oban Addiction Support and Information Service	£10,000	<p>Animal Assisted Intervention</p> <p>Working in partnership with a local animal rehoming project – Argyll Animal Aid, young people will be involved in the rehabilitation, training and readying of rescue dogs to be placed in new homes. They will work with young people aged 11-19, who either have a history of alcohol misuse or be considered at risk of doing so, owing to either issues of poor mental health and/or parental alcohol and drug misuse.. Many of the beneficiaries have been excluded from mainstream education, are care-experienced, and/or have spent time in prison or secure accommodation. During the project young people will be engaged in a structured environment, building attachment and understanding of responsibility to the animals.</p>

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<p>Kyle of Sutherland Hub</p>	<p>£12,620</p>	<p>Youth Café</p> <p>The Kyle of Sutherland will deliver a fortnightly Saturday evening youth café. They will have the opportunity to participate in an hour of activity (e.g. fitness class, life skills sessions, mocktail making etc) followed by a healthy meal. There will a younger atmosphere in the café with music, videos and live entertainment. They hope to use the sessions to increase awareness amongst young people of the dangers of misusing alcohol, increase their participation in social and physical activities and educate young people on the benefits of healthy eating and drinking. As a result, they hope to see a reduction in illegal drinking among young people in the community. This in turn will encourage young people to become more active in their local community taking up added responsibilities such as volunteering and establishing youth committees.</p>
<p>Stoneyburn and Bents Future Vision Group</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>Gorilla Landscapes</p> <p>Stoneyburn and Bents Future Vision Group will deliver project offering employability training to vulnerable unemployed young people who live in Stoneyburn and are misusing alcohol or have difficulties due to the alcohol misuse by another family member. The project will run three days per week, two days will involve learning practical skills in areas such as gardening, fencing, brickwork and soft landscaping. The third day will involve educational input from services such as West Lothian's Drug and Alcohol Service, West Lothian Youth Action Team and other support services. Stoneyburn will reach out to 50 young people and benefits will include young people being better informed with regards to the risks of alcohol misuse, have increased decision making skills, and overall be supported towards a more positive future.</p>

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<p>Visual Statement</p>	<p>£9,000</p>	<p>Pink to Black</p> <p>Visual Statement will deliver a musical drama project called Pink to Black, designed to reach out to young girls in the Easterhouse community of North West Glasgow, who have been found to be drinking alcohol and causing nuisance behaviour. Visual Statement, will write develop and perform the production, based on the music of Pink, the artist. 'Pink to Black' portrays the decline of a young person through alcohol misuse and the impact on relationships, health and wellbeing. The young people will be involved in the production taking starring roles and performing the production to their family, friends and local community. Visual Statement hope to sustain and grow the programme by sharing the production with local schools, community centres and youth groups, so they too can hold performances as an educational tool.</p>
<p>Yipworld</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>Stomping Ground</p> <p>Yipworld is based in East Ayrshire and will run a street-outreach service targeting vulnerable young girls under 18, living in the communities of Cumnock and Auchinleck, who are involved in anti-social behaviour, drinking and gang culture. Working with Police Scotland they hope to engage young people to take part in the 'Stomping Ground' programme, which includes a host of diversionary activities such as sports, cooking, crafts and pamper sessions. There will also be regular focus group, information and advice sessions held each week which focus on alcohol awareness, peer pressure, gang culture and personal safety. As trusting relationships develop between the young people, staff and police, it is hoped that the young people will engage in other opportunities at Yipworld including employability training, independent living skills, and personal development classes and volunteering</p>



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<p>Fast Forward</p>	<p>£18,268</p>	<p>Wasted</p> <p>The funding will allow Fast Forward to partner with Strange Town Theatre Company to deliver 'peer-theatre' performance called 'Wasted' to young people which will address risk taking behaviours. Fast Forward and Strange Theatre Company have previously worked together to deliver the theatre production and they will now be expanding their reach, by engaging with and performing to school children in S2 and S3, living in the Lothians.</p> <p>The 40-minute play covers anti-social behaviour, peer pressure, injury, conflict and alcohol-associated violence. Following the performance, actors then stay in character to facilitate a workshop alongside a youth worker. Pupils are asked to reflect upon the choices made within the play, identify associated risks and discuss alternatives. Fast Forward will reach out to 1,865 young people.</p>
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Families Category		
Addictions Counselling Inverness	£9,150	<p>Family Member Counselling.</p> <p>Addictions Counselling Inverness will expand their one to one counselling sessions to family members, or significant others, of people who misuse alcohol, within Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey. The new service, will provide counselling to 12 people, who due to being unable to travel, could not access counselling services in Inverness. The outcome of family counselling will be: reduction in domestic abuse, social isolation, anxiety and depression</p>
Communities Category		



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West Dunbartonshire Council for Voluntary Service (CVS)	£9,294	Men's Befriending Group <p>West Dunbartonshire Council for Voluntary Service (CVS) will run a pilot befriending project to men aged between 50 and 80 years to help reduce isolation and alcohol misuse, whilst also building resilience. Over the last three years the organisation has seen an increase in male referrals for their over 60s one to one befriending service. These referrals come from GPs, health professionals, social work services and dentists. By providing a group befriending service, more men will benefit from the service, reducing waiting list times. The benefit to the men are increased resilience and involvement in community activities and reduction in isolation and loneliness.</p>
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