

Applicant criteria

1. Applicants must be a registered charity, a not-for-profit social enterprise or a community interest company working within the UK, with a UK office.
2. If an applicant is a social enterprise and/or a community interest company, they must have a governing document which shows their name, aim/purpose, objects of the group, including a dissolution clause - what happens if your group ceases to function.

This clause should show that you are a not-for-profit group by confirming that any assets remaining after all debts are paid will be given to another voluntary group with similar aims.

This document should also include details of your Trustees/Directors or management committee.

3. Applicants must be either a women and girls led organisation working **only** with women and girls **or**
4. Organisations must work primarily or exclusively in the areas listed below for us to consider the organisation to be 'Expert':
 - a. County lines
 - b. Gangs
 - c. Young people who are care-experienced
 - d. Young people at risk of exclusion from education
 - e. Young people who have been excluded from education
5. All projects must be **solely** for young women and girls.
6. Applicants must demonstrate that their organisation:
 - a. Has experience of working with young women and girls in the criminal justice system,
 - b. Is gender and trauma informed,
 - c. Puts lived experience at the core of its projects.
7. The age group for the April funding round is 11-18 years old.
8. The age group for the September funding round is 17-30 years old.
9. The **maximum annual income** threshold for this funding is **£5M per annum**.
10. Applicants must have their annual accounts independently examined or audited.
11. Applicants already in receipt of a grant can only apply for further funding if they are in the final year of their grant, even if they are applying for a different project.

12. Previous applicants must wait 12 months or more from the submission date to reapply.
13. Previous applicants cannot apply for exactly the same project, unless agreed with a member of the Grants Team.