

Grants Matrix November 2021 – Awarded

	Organisation	Reasoning	Amount Applied For	Amount Awarded
1	Huntingdon Community Centre	<p>The project has been part of the community for over 50 years helping people with learning disabilities. The community garden project works with local group e.g., Huntingdon in bloom. We sell our own vegetables and plats from our shop area and planning to sell hand made products next year. We teach our service user garden kills and employment skills. We are planning with local community to get some of our gardeners into employment or volunteering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our aims are to support adults with learning disabilities learn horticultural skills in a working garden environment. • Our service learns employment skill and work with staff to look for employment skills. • Work with local community for our service user to develop gardening skills. <p>Using therapeutic horticulture to help our service user heal and grow.</p> <p>The grant will be used for a new tool shed for our gardeners to store our garden tools. Our garden will put the shed up and with staff. Old shed has holes in the roof, this will replace it.</p>	<p>£475.00 (Total cost of project £475.00)</p>	<p>£500.00 worth of goods</p>
2	Huntingdon Community Radio (Media) LTD	<p>Since lockdown, we have had to update our software quite significantly and as a result have had the expense of setting up 29 studios in our homes so that we can all work from home. The two studios in Huntingdon have had to be upgraded so that we can all login and control the studios remotely. One of the expenses is for new screens in the two main studios</p>	<p>£500.00 (Total cost of project £599.94)</p>	<p>£500.00</p>

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		as these are needed to run the new software. The grant will be used for two new computer monitors.		
3	Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre	<p>Our charity organisation aims to reach out to the residents of Huntingdonshire managed by different offices in Huntingdon & Godmanchester, Ramsey, St. Neots and St. Ives mobility and improve the feeling of wellbeing, give volunteering opportunities along with giving extra support to those who are vulnerable. We provide support to vulnerable adults through our Car Scheme services, give volunteering opportunities to whoever wishes to help along with information on opportunities in local business, arranging IT support for govt. projects such as Census, working for the well-being of the community through different projects such as Breakfast morning, NATTER afternoon tea, arranging food surplus to anyone who needs and providing the cheapest goods at our charity shop.</p> <p>Pandemic has changed the way of working and support. We request the grant to support the cost of smartphones for digital inclusion. Our area managers struggled to support to provide help to our vulnerable community members at the time of lockdown as they were working from home. With the smartphones they could connect volunteers in groups, provide IT support to vulnerable elderly community members and volunteer drivers with filling forms or checking documents for legal compliance quickly. We would like to continue with the digital inclusion projects, safeguarding and helping community members by helping them through video conferences on WhatsApp video or Facebook and helping volunteers by providing them training on Zoom. The phones are a one-off expenditure, the running cost of internet and IT support will be borne by the organisation.</p>	£500.00 (Total cost of project £2,000)	£500.00

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4	Huntingdonshire History Festival	<p>Huntingdonshire History Festival’s aims are to promote the understanding of our local history and our local natural history and provide free access to this knowledge in an informative and entertaining manner. The idea is to encourage local people of all ages to take more interest in their local history and find out more about our rich local history. We want to be more interactive and present history in an interesting manner that will appeal to all types of people.</p> <p>The grant will be used to provide for 2 full day children’s art and craft activities with a local historical flavour, during the Huntingdonshire history festival in July 2022.</p> <p>We will run 2 different days with 2 different activities. We will employ 2 local artists to run the event and display the children’s work locally.</p> <p>The event will be open to the public and can drop in and partake in the activities for as long as they wish. It will be either at All Saints Church or the George Hotel.</p> <p>The children will be expected to do a range of activities from historic mask making e.g., Oliver Cromwell’s death mask, to pictures of famous local people on mini-easels, pictures of local views and buildings, making simple toys and sound recordings, creating social media materials etc. Basically, a variety of different activities to suit different age groups of children. They will be displayed initially and then they can take their work home.</p> <p>The money will pay for the artists time and expertise. On top of this the artists will supply all the raw materials e.g., paint, paper, inks, board, mini easels, pens, colouring crayons, sound equipment, cameras etc.</p>	<p>£500.00 (Total cost of project £700.00)</p>	<p>£500.00</p>
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		Per activity Artist fee - £150 Raw materials and equipment costs - £200		
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