

COVENANT FUND LOCAL GRANTS AWARDS 2016/17

Organisation	Project Name	Award	Description
NORTHERN IRELAND			
AA Veterans Support	Counselling and Holistic Support Service	£20,000	AA Veterans Support will provide counselling support to Veterans and their dependants throughout Northern Ireland. The project will offer a safe environment for those suffering from poor mental health to receive appropriate support. As part of the project they aim to establish a number holistic support groups throughout Northern Ireland where Veterans and their dependants can come together to take part in photography, Arts & Crafts, Complementary Therapy classes and more. These classes will offer a safe environment for participants to come together to support one another and build new or existing friendships.
Department of Community Mental Health	Green Care at Thiepval Barracks	£20,000	This project builds on an existing pilot scheme to create two or more secluded gardening venues where serving soldiers and veterans can securely engage in horticultural therapy with others, including clinicians and therapists from DCMH alongside a dedicated horticultural therapist. The grant will enable fencing, pathways for improved disabled access, the creation of raised beds, potting sheds, polytunnels and green-houses; along with other tools and items that are needed.
Families Acting for Innocent Relatives	Remembrance	£10,000	FAIR's London Remembrance event will support veterans and their families to travel to the UK capital to share in commemorations and attend a rehearsal event at the Royal Albert Hall. It will help to connect the veterans with other members of the Armed Forces from across the UK and will have a positive impact on wellbeing, confidence and esteem.
Rathfriland Royal British Legion Branch	Hilltop to Over the Top	£19,478	The project will explore the history of young men from the Rathfriland district who went to battle during the 1914 to 1918 Great War and never returned home; and will produce a booklet to be distributed locally. The project will work in partnership with Drumlough Historical Society to research and collate the required information. The completed book will be free and it will document all the service personal who lost their lives from both sides of the community; and enable reflection on the shared history.
Reserve Forces & Cadets Association for Northern Ireland (RFCA NI)	Horse-assisted coaching for confidence, leadership, anxiety reduction and communication.	£20,000	The project will provide equine therapy workshops for veterans who are having difficulties settling into or maintaining everyday life. The course is structured around a series of exercises involving interaction with a team of horses. It aims to build confidence and reduce anxiety for members of the Armed Forces and their families.
SCOTLAND			

5th Midlothian (Glencorse) Scout Group	Scouting for ALL	£9,550	This project will expand the Scout Group, at the Army Community Centre, which caters for the age range 6yrs - 14yrs. The Scout group was set up to provide activities for children and young people from the local Armed Forces Community. The project will support the development of the group; enabling it to expand to include children and young people from the local community, promoting inclusion and encouraging integration.
Children's University (C U) Scotland Trust Ltd	Children's University Argyll & Bute	£15,550	The project will offer every child from a service family in Argyll and Bute the opportunity to participate in and graduate from Children's University. It will also offer approximately 600 children from civilian families the opportunity to participate in Children's University alongside friends and neighbours who may be from the Armed Forces community. The project will support community integration in the local area and will involve family learning and participation from the University of Highlands and Islands.
Community Action for Raigmore Estate	Raigmore Skatepark	£20,000	Community Action for Raigmore Estate received a grant to create a new concrete skatepark to service the young people in the Raigmore and Wimberly Way areas.. Around half of the children who will use the facility are from service families; and there was strong demand for a skatepark from local children
Erskine Hospital Limited	Erskine Playlist for Life	£3,416	The project will carry out a 6-month pilot about the impact of personalised music playlists as an intervention for veterans with dementia. They will work with Playlist for Life (PfL) to deliver specialist training for staff on using playlists as a therapeutic intervention in order to alleviate symptoms of dementia such as anxiety and agitation, thus reducing the need for medication. The intervention will also allow either family members or care staff to connect with individuals, sharing music and special memories together. The grant will enable the purchase of MP3 players to collect music of importance to the veteran, and the project will work with families and friends of the veteran to identify music that holds an importance.
Fun First	Fun First	£20,000	This project works with navy and civilian families; providing a safe and relaxed atmosphere to encourage the strengthening of relationships through one to one interaction, socialisation, and play whilst having fun. Adults are encouraged to develop confidence and parenting skills. All their trained activity leaders are parents; and have the knowledge and experience as well as their training to help families that use their service with issues or problems that might be troubling them if they don't have close family nearby or a close network of friends.

Helensburgh and Lomond Carers SCIO	A FACT (Armed Forces and Communities Together)	£20,000	This project will provide a service for young people with a caring responsibility; support naval families and civilian families. They are working with the RNRMW to offer activities for children from Armed Forces Families, and sessions on dealing with the challenges of caring while a parent is deployed. They take a 'whole family' approach to assessing a carer's needs, rather than solely focusing on whoever is fulfilling that role. It is important to take account of the needs of the person being cared for and others whose lives are affected by the circumstances involved, as well as the impact on their home environment. Their aim is to improve community integration for young carers who need support and feel isolated from the wider community due to their responsibilities at home.
Midlothian Council	Midlothian Council Veteran Placement Programme	£20,000	This project is designed to complement other work with veterans in Midlothian. It will target veterans leaving service that are now looking for employment by offering placements. All successful veterans completing a placement will be considered for a guaranteed interview for internal and external employment opportunities within the council. Veterans have expressed a wish to move back to the Lothians where many have family connections. This project would enable them to try a paid placement with a local employer and ensure that they have made the right type of work choice. It will change the perception of employers and provide clear case studies that can be shared amongst the business sector in the Lothians through Bright Green Business.
Playbusters Ltd	Parkhead Veterans Garden	£20,000	The Project will develop a brand new therapeutic community garden on a derelict site in Parkhead, integrate and involve local veterans housed with Parkhead Housing Association and across the city, enable veterans to develop construction skills and reduce isolation. The Veterans Garden will be a focal point for the community and provide a training garden that will facilitate a programme of community learning as well as the potential for employability training through volunteer placements when developing the site. The project will provide local growing spaces for a variety of produce that can support local families, food bank, nurseries, Grow Your Own Cookery workshops and training activities that can facilitate community engagement and involvement.
Royal Voluntary Service	Cranhill Connections	£19,856	The project will provide volunteering opportunities and social activities for older people and veterans, through a high quality café at the on-site facility of Scottish Veterans Housing Association's Bellrock Close accommodation in Glasgow. The Service Manager will manage the café whilst recruiting, training and supporting volunteers and developing the social activities. The aim is to create a true community resource and social hub which is attended by and supported by veterans, their partners and family members, and civilians alike. This project will develop the current pilot Senior Group and will develop a range of activities and groups for the older people in the community, which may include exercise, cookery, arts and crafts, digital inclusion, lunch clubs, reminiscence groups or tea dances. Veterans will be encouraged to volunteer to develop new skills.

Sacro	The Veteran's Mentoring Service	£20,000	Sacro's Veterans Mentoring Service (VMS) promotes the reintegration of veterans into society and reduces the instance of offending. The project also aims to reduce reoffending among former service personnel who have been, or who are currently, serving custodial sentences, supervision, or community payback orders. Veterans will work with a mentor to develop and complete an agreed action plan; with follow up mentoring support.
Salvation Army	The Shed - Gardening Heroes	£19,225	The Shed Project aims to maximise a veteran's physical, psychological and social strength, and enhance general health and well-being through gardening therapy and community integration. The project will engage Veterans, their families and local school children and encourage the development of the garden spaces. The community garden will offer a unique opportunity to teach youth about the importance of community and stewardship, issues of environmental sustainability and job and life skills.
Scotland & Northern Ireland Region, Air Cadet Organisation	Air Cadet-assisted Flying for the Disabled & Disadvantaged	£20,000	In this project, Air Cadets will work with underprivileged or socially challenged young people, or young people on the margins of crime, deprivation or exclusion from school, and disabled young people, in a common activity from which those participating share positive experiences in understanding one another, developing a mutual respect, and learning how to support each other.
The Institute for Statecraft	Shared-Outcomes with 51 Infantry Brigade	£11,970	The Encounter programme will create strong links between the Armed Forces and the civilian community, by assembling youngsters from minorities alongside Army cadets or young soldiers, and providing a week of sharing physical and social challenge, learning new skills, breaking down barriers and developing mutual trust, understanding and affinity.
Women's Enterprise Scotland	Business Creation for Forces Wives and Partners	£19,980	WES will deliver a programme to inspire the partners of serving personnel to start up and sustain their own business. Full support will be provided to start up and trade, including skills matching and ideas generation. Creche facilities will be provided to enable those with no access to childcare to participate and benefit.
YMCA Broughty Ferry	Men's Shed	£12,235	Men's Shed will bring Rosendale Veteran's Association residents together with members of the community and support from YMCA Broughty Ferry and Broughty Ferry Timebank to develop a workshop in an existing space for participants to get creative for individual, group or community projects. The project provides an opportunity for veterans to develop new and existing skills or to be creative and productive, with a positive impact on wellbeing.
WALES			
Aberystwyth University	Veterans Legal Link	£19,999	Veterans Legal Link was founded on a belief that lawyers and law students could use their skills to bring equal justice to veterans and their families in need who are living in Wales. This project offers free legal advice and specialist signposting service for veterans in Wales. As well as helping veterans, this project also provides valuable work experience and shows students how law operates in real-life and how it can help people in need.

Alabaré Christian Care and Support	Homes for Veterans Wales	£20,000	Alabaré Homes for Veterans provides supported accommodation to ex-Service personnel with aim to transform lives and enable their transition from Military to civilian life. The project positively integrates Veterans into the communities, securing long term stability across housing, financial, employment and health and well-being. This project will increase the reach of the support that is offered to ensure that through the housing and structured support Veterans are better able to overcome the main crisis they face and take increased responsibility into secured long term independent living. The service offers an advice, support, and mentoring programme.
ARMYfest	ARMYfest	£12,027	The funding will provide an environment for all serving soldiers Regular, Reserve and their respective families based in Wales including the Army Cadet Force (ACF) to meet and integrate over a weekend of music and multi-activities. The event, the first of its kind will be predominantly for the children of serving soldiers and consist of sporting activities, games and other entertainment.. All families will be offered the option of camping or bringing their children in on a daily basis. There will also be a multi-agency footprint from a plethora of 3rd sector military charities supported by local authorities focusing as part of the delivery of the Armed Forces Community Covenant on immediate welfare needs, mental illness and other issues such as health, education, debt and housing.
Bread & Goose	RETURN: Community Engagement Through Theatre	£14,300	The organisation will develop a piece of outdoor community theatre with military spouses from St Athan and Beachley Barracks. Through shared experience, the group will work with local artists, local community members, and the heritage coast to create a large scale theatre production that responds to the landscape of Dunraven Bay and the lived experiences of participants. The aim is to broaden understanding between military and civilian communities, provide new skills, and develop new opportunities for shared creative activity in the local area.
Bulldogs Boxing & Community Activities	Bulldogs Outdoor Gym	£20,000	Working on a multi-agency approach to support Veterans and those who currently serve the Armed Forces. The partnership consists of SSAFA, British Legion, Veterans NHS Wales, Combat Stress the organisation holds a weekly Veterans Drop In along with free access to the 5 Pillar Programme on a daily basis. The Bulldogs has an indoor boxing focused gym and the funding will enable them to create an outdoor gym where Veterans can feel the freedom of the outdoors. The Veterans will be central in the design, construction and maintenance of the outdoor gym. This will be of particular help for veterans with mental health needs, as the outdoor activities will enable them to release anxiety and aggression. Funding will also install a children's play bundle including slides, swings and climbing frame for the families of veterans to enjoy relaxing with the option of working out on the outdoor gym.

Cruse Bereavement Care, Morgannwg	Connect with the Forces	£6,220	This project will hold 6 three hour workshops on Death in the Military. The workshops will be delivered in each of the communities of Swansea, Neath, Port Talbot and Bridgend. These workshops will be aimed at everyone in the community who may come into contact with anyone either in the military or has been in the military. The training will be delivered by group work, question and answer sessions but also by using a DVD which was produced in 2009 by Jenny Green, OBE, who was the Armed Forces Project Manager. The DVD was produced to help and improve the understanding of anyone supporting someone who has been bereaved by a death in service. It touches on some of the processes that take place within the military and the range of people affected. Each participant will go away with signposting information on all agencies that can support anyone who has been in the armed forces.
Erlas Victorian Walled Garden	Re-building gardens and veterans' lives	£17,729	The project will rebuild an old garden roundhouse in a partially restored walled garden. The work will be carried out by volunteers, involving armed forces veterans. Raised brick beds will also be constructed, increasing skills of all participants. The roundhouse will provide shelter in inclement weather. Veterans will be working alongside work alongside a team of apprentices from the local college who will also be learning brick-laying skills, so everyone is 'learning' together. The rebuilt round-house will be a focal point for people to meet in, plan activities and work from.
Jon Egging Trust	JET 'Yes we can' / 'ie allwn' project	£19,973	Working with RAF Valley and JSMTTC, JET will deliver a project to young people with special needs and those in economically and culturally disadvantaged areas in Anglesey. Through a series of interactive sessions focusing on confidence-building, communication and teamwork skills they aim to inspire young people and raise their aspirations.
Powys County Council	Covenant Engagement with Powys Communities	£11,000	This project will share the Armed Forces Covenant in Powys. Powys is a vast County, being 1/4 of the landmass of Wales. They will hold two 'Community Days' with representation from the Emergency Services, Armed Forces (Tri Force representation), the Local Authority and the Covenant Partnerships and other Armed Forces Charities. Events will be held in the north and south in the county of Powys, during spring and summer of 2017. Powys is home to Headquarters of 160th Infantry Brigade and the Battle Infantry School in Brecon. They will initiate social media and other methods to promote the Covenant and these activities will continue after the project has been completed.
Re-Live	Coming Home Choir: Together We are Stronger	£20,000	Coming Home aims to reconnect veterans and families with their local communities. This project is demonstrating how the arts can create a community, deepen understanding and reduce loneliness. The unique strength of this project is that it is rooted in the community. 'Together we can come home'. The Coming Home Choir meets weekly and is open to veterans, family members and members of the local community who would like to sing and support. No previous experience of singing is required.

The City of Cardiff Council - Council Advice Team	Cardiff Veteran Advice Service	£20,000	The aim of the project is to provide a wide range of specialist face to face help for Veterans and their family; including housing queries, benefit advice, Council Tax reduction advice, bus passes, school admissions, free school meals, budgeting, completing welfare benefit forms, grants and discounts, applying for universal credit, personal budgeting, debt advice, opening bank a bank account plus employability help.
Time Banking Wales	The Adventures of Mrs RFA Victoria and Friends	£11,130	This project in Wales will deliver community integration activities, bringing people together through a health and wellbeing project. The project will include producing three audio plays written by an ex-serviceman and through working on these production aim to integrate members of the forces who have suffered post-traumatic stress back into the community.
EAST			
Airplay Scampton Youth Club	Airplay Youth Hub	£20,000	This project in the East of England will provide opportunities for young people to come together, promoting community integration. The project will include renovation of a building at RAF Scampton into a new youth Hub, open to all young people within the community. A variety of activities and clubs can use the space and the young people will have a bespoke building to serve as a Youth Hub
Chetwynd Little Troopers Nursery and Pre-School	Information Technology Upgrade	£2,385	The project will enable an IT upgrade for this nursery and pre school that is used by serving families. The project will have benefits for staff; but particular for the children attending the pre school; helping them to develop early IT skills. This will develop their IT confidence and understanding, help facilitate communication between children and families when parents are deployed / posted away and help facilitate communication between children and friends they may have left behind due to the frequent moves service families undergo.
Derby County Community Trust	Sporting Memories	£20,000	This project will use the power of sport and the name of Derby County FC to engage with older, socially isolated members of the ex-service community in Derbyshire and bring them together to share memories, re-connect and improve their physical and mental health. This is a partnership project with the Sporting Memories Network who have an expertise with developing tools and resources that utilise reminiscence and sporting memories as a way to bring people together.
Dial Peterborough	Supporting Disabled Ex Forces Peterborough	£20,000	This project has been set up to offer ex forces personnel in Peterborough living with a disability or long term/ mental condition the opportunity to reduce social isolation by establishing a befriender/ buddy scheme to provide home visits and accompaniment to activities; and provide accessible and affordable transport to enable them to get out of the house. It will also offer accessible healthy living and sport activities; and encourage veterans to explore volunteering, education or training

Headquarters Colchester Garrison	Shrub End and Colchester Garrison Community Firebreak	£20,000	This project will be delivered to school children in years 6/7, made up of 50% civilian children, 50% children of serving personnel. The key objectives are integration of service person's children into the community and creation of a student support network for the year 6 children when they move to secondary school, and year 7. Colchester Garrison will collaborate with Essex County Fire & Rescue Service and local Colchester schools to deliver five Firebreak programmes at Colchester Fire Station. Each course will consist of 6 children from a civilian background and 6 children with a parent that is currently serving with the local armed forces.
Heritage Trust of Lincolnshire	Layers of History	£20,000	This is a community archaeology project across Lincolnshire which will create opportunities between the armed forces community and civilian volunteers. They will train and work together to 'peel back' the layers to reveal the stories behind deserted medieval villages, parks and gardens and the 20th century military sites. There will be positive health and wellbeing benefits from engaging in archaeology; and the project has been designed to promote community integration
Karimia Association Ltd working as karimia institute	Shared outcomes with Karimia Institute	£20,000	This project will deliver youth club sessions that engage with various military units within Brigades; and regular programmes on Radio Dawn. They will organise a weekend residential for the young people with the Armed Forces, and reach out to local Muslim businesses to encourage them to sign the Armed Forces Covenant
Nottinghamshire County Council	Mental health First Aid Nottinghamshire	£19,250	Nottinghamshire County Council will work in partnership with 170 Engineers Group, and Veterans Information Network Nottinghamshire to deliver Armed Forces Mental Health First Aid across Nottinghamshire. Those taking part in the courses will be from a variety of councils, the armed forces community and organisations that employ staff at the front line of service delivery. The project aims to increase mental health resilience among veterans, families and serving personnel throughout Nottinghamshire. It will share good practice with armed forces charities, local councils, housing providers, and by working together; breakdown barriers to engagement.
Royal Air Force - MT	RAF Honington 2016/2017 Road Safety Campaign	£12,139	The RAF Honington Trade Training and Licensing Team will drive home the message to all ages both on unit and in the local community that small changes really do save lives. Road Safety is a priority within the RAF, but also throughout the local community surrounding RAF Honington. With financial support the ability to deliver Road Safety to the schools, dependants and communities with exciting initiatives and campaigns will be greatly enhanced. This project enables skills from serving personnel who have received training on road safety to share these skills with the local community by providing the resources to do this

Royal Voluntary Service	Veterans in the Community	£19,960	The Veterans in the Community project will provide companionship, support and enable older veterans; widows/widowers and partners of veterans, to engage in their local community ensuring that they avoid social isolation and loneliness and are encouraged to engage in activities and groups and access any additional services as required, with the support of a volunteer. They will employ a Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator on a 12 month contract to recruit and train sufficient suitable volunteers for the 12 month period and beyond. Volunteers will be civilians from the local community, ex and currently serving military personnel and partners.
St Philip's Centre	Faithful Covenant	£17,965	This project contains several interconnected elements. There is a 6-day young adults' leadership programme delivered jointly between faith and community leaders and instructors from the Armed Forces, which will include a visit to the National Arboretum (Staffordshire) and a 'look at life' day on a military base. There will be events involving faith leaders and Armed Forces representatives in Leicester and Nottingham. An additional part of the project will be delivered in Leicestershire where members of the Armed Forces community will be received into the homes of various faith and community leaders. The aim of this part of the project is to embed awareness and understanding, strengthen ties, and normalise the Armed Forces community in the same way that the faith communities perceive other public services such as NHS worker or the Police. This element of the project will also include visits to three different places of worship for the Army in Leicester.
Suffolk Befriending Scheme for People with Learning Disabilities	Better Together	£19,828	This project will bring civilian and military communities together twice a week through a stay and play café with monthly visits from local organisations who offer support and advice to families. They will also invite families to go on a local trip once a quarter to explore the area. A pilot showed a need for this project.
The Institute for Statecraft	Shared Outcomes with the Karimia Institute	£19,982	The broader Shared Outcomes programme attracts Muslim youngsters, via their community groups, to Army-delivered engagements: providing challenging activities in self-development, leadership and team-building. Having drawn youngsters to the programme, it then provides for them a broader syllabus to develop skills, formal qualifications, employability and network. With 7 Brigade and Karimia Institute support, they now seek to start a range of mutually developed and shared delivery activities that include young people from the Karimia Institute working with Cadets and soldiers to engage in expeditions and explore shared history.
The Matthew Project	Getting to Know your Community.	£18,505	This funding will be used to employ an Activities Coordinator for Veterans to work with current clients of their existing 'Outside the Wire' project to organise activities to aid recovery, encourage new hobbies and volunteering. Two community volunteers will also be trained to peer support and assist with activities in the community.

Walking With The Wounded	WWTW Domestic Violence Perpetrator Programme	£20,000	Walking With The Wounded Project Nova provides early intervention and diversion tailored support to veterans caught up in anti-social behaviour and in Police Custody. This grant will fund a Domestic Violence course for veterans in partnership with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk and Ormiston Families charity.
LONDON			
Bounce Theatre Community Interest Company	Creative Spaces	£19,500	'Creative Spaces' is an interdisciplinary and regenerative project that will transform the existing Hounslow Welfare Centre into a creative hub for the community. Families will participate in workshops learning new skills such as sewing, up-cycling and basic DIY to redesign their space for community use. This will Creative Spaces will reform the Welfare centre at the Cavalry Barracks bringing military and civilian families in the area together to strengthen community cohesion. There are two housing estates within minutes of the Welfare Centre. These are known as the Military 'Patch' and the 'Beavers'.
Greenwich Gurkha ex-servicemen association	TOGETHER WE CREATE & LEARN	£20,000	This is a project targeted at Ghurka veterans and the local community, to encourage the development of skills, encourage health and wellbeing and encourage community integration. Activities will include cookery and knitting, as well as English language workshops for veterans' families.
HMS President	HMS President Community Engagement Project	£9,400	This project will support up to 24 students aged 14-18 years old, from the Princes Trust, local schools, colleges or youth organisations to provide them with the opportunity to undertake a 4-5 days period of sailing adventurous training with the Ocean Youth Trust South (OYTS), a charity affiliated to HMS PRESIDENT Royal Naval Reserve Unit. HMS PRESIDENT will also be training up to two members of its ship's company to support the delivery of the sailing training activities. Providing young adults with the training will help them to develop team building, leadership and management skills that will be invaluable to them in terms of helping them to progress with their studies and further education, as well as supporting them with skills that are important to work.
Islington and Stoke Newington Sea Cadets	Secure TS Quail	£20,000	The grant will be used to develop and sustain the centre. This funding will be used to secure and renegotiate their lease enabling it to be used by the organisation and other partner organisations, including Islington Veterans Association and The Scouting movement. This will enable them to be more integrated in the community; as a space to carry out this work is needed. By delivering this project; the centre will have a lasting impact after the end of the grant

Royal Air Force Northolt	RAF Northolt Communities' Day 2017	£20,000	RAF Northolt will hold a Communities' Day on Saturday 22 July 2017, welcoming up to 8,000 members of the local community on to the Station. Priority attendance will be given to local schools and community groups, in addition to many of the 2000 tri-service personnel that will attend. Local people attending the event will also enjoy opportunities to engage with Polish veterans, Cadet Forces, service charities and other military organisations through a range of displays and activities designed to demonstrate the diverse role played by RAF Northolt now and in the past. Admission will be by ticket only, for which there will be a nominal charge to cover costs of the event. The event will not include any flying displays as the focus will be on engagement and ground displays & events (RAF Bands, Queen's Colour Squadron, RAF Regiment, RAF Reserves and Cadet Organisations). Funding will support the physical costs of holding the event.
Royal Borough of Greenwich Heritage Trust	Woolwich History Walk	£20,000	The project will create a 'history walk' to help people, both locals and visitors, understand more about the significant military history surviving on the streets of Woolwich and the surrounding area. Working in partnership with military history experts, and the military community, the Trust will create a history walk using a printed map; smart phone technology and physical markers in the landscape. Local people and visitors will be able to find out more about the significant military history of Woolwich and the wider area by visiting some or all of the stops on the walk.
The Institute for Statecraft	Shared Outcomes with Lotus Life	£19,982	The broader Shared Outcomes programme attracts Muslim youngsters, via their community groups, to Army-delivered engagements: providing challenging activities in self-development, leadership and team-building. Having drawn youngsters to the programme, it then provides for them a broader syllabus to develop skills, formal qualifications, employability and network. This programme includes Lotus Life, a charity that mainly works in North West London with girls and young women of different ethnic backgrounds and heritage. With London District and Lotus Life support, they now seek to broaden and extend the range and frequency of their mutually developed and shared delivery activities for young women; working with serving members of the Armed Forces, and exploring shared history.
The Institute for Statecraft	Shared Outcomes with the Active Change Foundation.	£19,982	The broader Shared Outcomes programme attracts Muslim youngsters, via their community groups, to Army-delivered engagements: providing challenging activities in self-development, leadership and team-building. Having drawn youngsters to the programme, it then provides for them a broader syllabus to develop skills, formal qualifications, employability and network. With London District and Active Change Foundation support, they now seek to broaden and extend the range and frequency of their mutually developed and shared delivery activities as follows: Duke of Edinburgh Award: Enable and resource participation within the year of 8 Active Change Foundation youngsters in Duke of Edinburgh bronze expedition scheme alongside cadets from London District region.

The Institute for Statecraft	Shared-Outcomes with London District	£10,770	<p>Shared Outcomes attracts Muslim youth to Army-delivered engagements: providing challenging activities in self-development, leadership and team-building. With London District and Encounter facilitators, they will expand this model to create a week long engagement programme, providing enhanced mutually developed and beneficial activities for a broader range of local minority groups over a longer period. Under this encounter programme, they will offer sports activities, leadership and confidence building activities and exploring shared heritage. The project will produce changes that last beyond the funding period: it will overcome barriers to better integration, through providing the Armed Forces with access to and engagement with non-traditional parts of the Army's hinterland and giving them a structured opportunity to demonstrate Army values to these youngsters over an extended time period. Steered discussion and collaborative activities provided by fully-trained Encounter facilitators will equip the participants with the tools to overcome barriers to social cohesion and the self-confidence to convey what they have learned to the wider community.</p>
The Sir Oswald Stoll Foundation	The London Veterans' Drop In	£16,490	<p>The London Veterans' Drop In has been running for 5 years providing a professional advice and support service, targeted at Veterans and their families in London. The aim is to provide access to a wide range of specialist services, available to help them make a successful transition to civilian life. Stoll would use this funding to promote the Drop-in to a wider audience and thereby increase the impact of early intervention for vulnerable Veterans and their families. Currently, Veterans usually attend because they have been referred by one of the partner organisations, or because a friend has told them about it. This project will support better promotion, help with the costs of providing the tenancy support and wellbeing services and help to pay for catering costs.</p>
Uxbridge College	Gurkha ESOL Project	£19,000	<p>The project aims to tackle the access and integration issues which underlie low level English skills in the Gurkha Armed Forces community. The emphasis in the classes will be primarily on developing learners' speaking and listening skills to help them in their daily lives and secondly, in the long run, to develop employability prospects.</p> <p>The project will 'advance education, training and re-training' amongst the Gurkha community. Lack of language skills act as a barrier to obtaining employment. The gaining of English language skills will improve confidence in the community and will boost access to local services and in the long term, benefit the wider Hillingdon community from increased community cohesion from the Gurkhas who will be integrated and contributing to their local community.</p>

Westminster City Council	Commemorating the World War One Centenary in 2017	£19,730	This grant will be used to offer opportunities for local schoolchildren to learn about the important role of the armed forces, and in particular the experience of local people who fought in the First World War, including at the Battle of Passchendaele whose centenary falls in 2017, but also the historical and current connections between Westminster and the wider UK, and Europe (with a focus on Belgium). This project will work with local primary schools and military museums in London. It will encourage interaction between school children and serving members of the Armed Forces.
Westminster City Council	Armed Forces Mental Health First Aid Training	£20,000	The funding will support the development of multi-skilled officers on the front-line trained specifically to support the Armed Forces, and the development of improved pathways of referral to ensure that identified mental health needs are adequately supported. The project will train a member of staff as a Mental Health First Aid instructor with a specialty in Armed Forces mental health. The need for this project came from discussions with the local Armed Forces community who identified that an awareness of the specific needs of the Armed Forces community as regards mental health is key to providing person-centred services to this population.
NORTH EAST			
3rd Regiment Royal Horse Artillery	Albemarle Barracks - Move on Up	£19,990	This project will build on the successful work carried out over the previous 12 months by extending the training, learning and employability opportunities available to serving families. This will enable current families to gain the skills, confidence and experience required to be 'work ready' by the time their youngest child is 5.
Army Families Federation	Immigration support to Foreign & Commonwealth spouses who are victims of domestic abuse	£9,000	This project will provide immigration support to Foreign & Commonwealth spouses who are victims of domestic abuse; and offer signposting to appropriate additional services which can offer support.
Army Welfare Service	Hidden Treasures	£20,000	Hidden Treasures will work to bring service families together and raise their aspirations, building their confidence so that they can access local cultural opportunities and explore their surroundings. This will be achieved through a creative programme of activities where technology, creativity, socialising, digital and the great outdoors meet. It will do this by developing content to create a local treasure hunt...but with a twist. Workshops will focus upon participants creating content for geocaches that will build a trail which will be launched as part of local village fairs. It will widen participation across the locality and provide a lasting legacy. It will engage a broad audience, using up-to-the-minute technology and creativity to foster community cohesion. The project involves the Army Welfare Service at Albemarle Barracks. The emphasis is on building bridges between military and civilian families to provide lasting benefit and impact.

Fifth Battalion the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers	Fifth Fusiliers Community Engagement Project	£20,000	The project will develop a pitch located with the Fifth Fusiliers which can then be used by the local community and other military units including the Cadet Force. This gives the opportunity to integrate with the Fifth Fusiliers without having to spend money for the hire of a pitch. It will also allow users of Anzio House including regular units the ability to conduct sports during their rest and recuperation. Allowing the local community and other units access will increase the battalion's effectiveness in community integration activities
Finchale Training College	The True View Project	£19,954	The project will provide support to spouses and partners of serving personnel in the Army, giving insight into employment and self employment whilst helping to removing barriers such as child care, flexible hours for related training and understanding of the industries. This would involve a series of workshops, profiling sessions and career consultancy sessions, for each beneficiary designed to individually guide them through the area of training, work, CVs and employment opportunities into paid work in an area of their choice. The project is aimed at spouses of serving soldiers.
FirstLight Trust	No longer coping alone!	£20,000	The project will build on existing work for veterans in the centre of Redcar. Funding will be used to recruit a support work whose role will be to assess veterans who seek help, provide advice or signposting for veterans and their families to relevant services, and develop and manage activities.
Forward Assist Limited	Active potential	£19,785	Forward Assist will deliver a series of diversionary activities to veterans who struggle to reintegrate into civilian life. Activities will include peer group sessions, horticulture, outdoors activities, community benefit programmes and cultural visits. All activities are designed to be mentally stimulating and provide a diversion from everyday life. The project has a focus on supporting veterans with mental health needs.
Friends of Stamfordham First School	Stamfordham Fit and Fun	£13,522	This project, at a school which has pupils from serving and civilian families, will promote community integration through fun health and wellbeing activities. It is a mixed income community and families can suffer from rural isolation, and this is also the case for armed forces families being relocated into the area. The grant will be used to replace outdoor play equipment and enhance outdoor learning experiences which will help develop social interaction and cohesion.
Parents For Parents - North Yorks	Take Our Words For It	£19,997	"Take Our Words For It!" brings together parents from military and civilian families to write about their experiences of what it's like living through really difficult life experiences when you're expecting and looking after children. They have performed pieces of their writing at three events on 3 October and 3rd November 2017 and 9 February 2018, with a powerful impact on audiences. They have produced a documentary video; available online

The Institute for Statecraft	Shared Outcomes with the Huddersfield Pakistani Community Alliance (HPCA)	£19,982	Shared Outcomes is a charitable programme run by The Institute for Statecraft. They work with young people (aged 14 – 18) from minority communities in areas facing economic and social challenge. Our aim is to increase participants' life opportunities and support them in fulfilling their potential. They offer activities that develop employability skills, provide accredited qualifications and build confidence. This project was delivered in partnership with the Huddersfield Pakistani Community Alliance, and encouraged engagement with serving members of the Armed Forces
The Institute for Statecraft	Shared Outcomes with the Indian Muslim Welfare Society (IMWS)	£19,982	Shared Outcomes is a charitable programme run by The Institute for Statecraft. They work with young people (aged 14 – 18) from minority communities in areas facing economic and social challenge. Our aim is to increase participants' life opportunities and support them in fulfilling their potential. They offer activities that develop employability skills, provide accredited qualifications and build confidence. This project was delivered in partnership with the Indian Muslim Welfare Society, and encouraged engagement with serving members of the Armed Forces
NORTH WEST			
Blackburn Rovers Community Trust	Walking Football 4 All	£20,000	'Walking Football 4 All' will run regular walking football sessions in six different areas across Blackburn Rovers' catchment area, specifically targeting veterans engaging alongside community members from an assortment of walks of life. Each session will include integration opportunities, with competitions, tournaments and social events being regular features.
Bolton Council	Caring for Bolton's Armed Forces	£18,000	Bolton Council will refurbish and equip a former shop in Bolton Town Centre. It will be run by trained volunteers offering a place where veterans and their families can drop in for a chat, access support and guidance to other services and most importantly, be reunited with the Bolton Family, targeting support to them alongside other local partners in health, housing and education. The grant will allow volunteers to offer a structured, well promoted service where veterans and their families can feel welcomed back into the Bolton Family. The volunteers who run the centre will be provided with training. The development of this centre will support Bolton's commitment to our Armed Forces and provides military and civilian partners with a town centre community space where they can also offer drop in advice and support.
Breckfield & North Everton Neighbourhood Council Ltd	Community Integration Through Health	£19,490	This project will deliver health and well being initiatives to bring together veterans and men in the local community who poor health, to design and deliver health and fitness programmes that will integrate both communities in order that they can learn from each other. Activities will include, men's health circuit training & gym sessions, mobile gym & health trailer, walking trips, mental Health & Well Being golf sessions, fishing and health workshops. The programme will enable men to integrate, to learn from each other, to share stories, to build relationships and reduce the social isolation often felt by men who often find it difficult to fit in.

Brick North West	Brick Community Hub	£20,000	The organisation will develop community outreach and engagement through the Veterans Breakfast Club and in partnership with its broader network of supporters. They will deliver signposting services with links to integration, commemoration, education and employment. The project will be a central hub for members of the military and civilian community to work together. It will tackle worklessness and employability, engaging the community, to widen participation, raise confidence and aspirations of disadvantaged and marginalised groups from both civilian and military communities. It will encourage the development of skills through volunteering.
Bury FC Community Trust	A New Goal	£19,500	A New Goal will deliver employability and volunteering opportunities to veterans in Bury/ North Manchester. The aim is to help with employability particularly around literacy, numeracy, CV writing, interview skills and assistance with searching for jobs. Participants will also take part in volunteering experiences including arranging activities around Remembrance Day.
Fix It UK Ltd	ProtoGP Army of Digital Trainers	£20,000	This community integration project will encourage the development of educational and employment skills. The organisation will recruit veterans as digital trainers to support the delivery of their 12 week STEM education programme called ProtoGP School Kart Challenge which used the power and exhilaration of motorsport to enthuse pupils who are at risk of not achieving.
Liverpool FC Foundation	Liverpool FC Foundation Military Veterans Programme	£20,000	The Liverpool FC Foundation Military Veterans programme aims to re-engage ex-military service men and women with physical activity, recapture their spirit of service and comradeship with likeminded personnel and to aid their transition back to civilian life. It will promote training and education
Remount, trading as Future for Heroes Ltd.	Future for Heroes – Moving Forwards	£16,000	Of the 20 000 service men and women who leave the military each year not all make the transition into civilian life with ease. Some will encounter difficulties that build, multiply and escalate. This project will provide courses for people leaving the military; and their partners, to enable them to make plans for the future.
Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council	Strike Up The Band	£19,990	The organisation will raise the profile, recognition and public understanding of the Armed Forces Covenant, through creative community workshops delivered by veterans, culminating in a spectacular and participatory large scale public event focusing on the Covenant and reflecting local heritage. It will be delivered by a series of veteran delivered workshops and awareness raising sessions in schools, community groups and through public engagement workshops. There will be a celebration event incorporating Brass Bands, Choirs, School Children, Scouts, wider community organisations, at least one serving Military Band, with the primary intent of raising the profile of the Covenant aims and objectives and issues faced by Armed Forces personnel.

The Regimental Charity of The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment	Centenary Commemoration; Manchester Hill defence	£20,000	The project will seek to grow the relationships with the local communities, to Strengthen the Future and Support the Present by Honouring the Past. To do this it is intended to hold a series of events in Manchester to commemorate a significant occurrence in our Regimental history, The Defence of Manchester Hill, to play to the public's appetite for military spectacular; using it as a learning opportunity to enable schools and the wider community to engage with us to build up an understanding of the true nature of military service.
URPotential Community Interest Company	Creating Futures	£20,000	This project will provide volunteer and employment opportunities coupled with training to service dependants, bridging the gap between army families and civilian communities; creating a community cohesion and social integration. It will provide skills and qualifications for future employment opportunities.
Walking With The Wounded	WWWTW Veteran Manchester drop-in	£20,000	Through this project Walking With The Wounded Employment Advisors will provide veteran drop in service at new integrated accommodation for homeless veterans, providing housing, employment, training or other appropriate support in Manchester. This project is being delivered in partnership with NACRO (the crime reduction charity) and MOSSCARE
Weeton Primary School	Community Cookery School	£18,000	The organisation will set up and become an Accredited Cookery School, enabling children and families, both Civilian and Service, to learn vital skills together. This will help to raise parental involvement and improve the emotional stability of vulnerable children, enabling them to achieve in the classroom and in life.
SOUTH EAST			
Action for Carers Surrey	Surrey Military Carers Support	£20,000	The project will fund a military carers support co-ordinator to work with Armed Forces Families that have care needs, look at additional support that might be needed, and signpost the families to the best sources to meet their needs.
Age UK Portsmouth	Joining Forces with Friends	£20,000	The organisation will set up a befriending service to address the human-to human support needs of older and younger veterans living in eh city. The main focus is to militate against social isolation and loneliness through encouraging veterans to participate in activities that will enable them to integrate within their community.
Army Training Centre Pirbright Initial Training Group	Family Welfare House Improvement Project	£5,021	This project will support the refurbishment of the Family Welfare House located on the base. This provides a much needed safe space for serving personnel and their families during times of need such as marital breakdown, long distance separation, or times of stress.
Canterbury City Council	Canterbury Covenant Jobs and Information Fayre, Awareness Raising and Networking	£3,766	This grant will support the Canterbury Covenant Jobs and Information Fayre. This event will raise awareness of the Armed Forces Covenant and highlight the skills of veterans to employers. It will also offer engagement with veterans considering career options

Carterton Town Council	Carterton Family Centre	£20,000	The family centre will be putting on services from three venues - including the Town Hall - until a permanent home becomes available in January 2018. The services on offer will include universal services for families with babies and pre-school children, one-to-one support for parents, a summer holiday programme and ante-natal support alongside health professionals
Citizens Advice (Hart District) Ltd	Joining Forces: providing Hart's Nepali community with the help & advice they need	£12,488	'Joining Forces' is a project to provide front line advice services to the Nepalese community. Gurka veterans and their families can face language barriers and find it difficult to navigate health and benefits systems. Joining Forces will offer practical help with free and confidential 'drop-in' advice sessions. These will have Nepali speaking trained advisors on hand and no appointment is necessary. Information leaflets on advice topics such as health, housing, benefits and domestic abuse will be available.
Crofton School	Crofton Services Family Hub	£20,000	The 'Crofton Services Family Hub' will provide a meeting place for local services families. Whether directly linked to Crofton or not 'The Hub' will be a venue created to provide 1.2.1 Support, workshops and forums for families dealing with the unique challenges of being part of a services family.
Deepcut Station	Deepcut Playpark	£20,000	The project will enable the organisation to rebuild the playpark currently on the edge of the military housing area. The housing is outside the security perimeter. There are over 250 military properties and significantly more civilian properties within the immediate area. The current playpark was built in the 1970s and has had very little updating. The aim is to rebuild it to enable families from the whole of the immediate area to use it which will integrate both communities once the barracks closes.
Enham Trust	Enabling integration with the disabled community.	£20,000	The project will enable Enham Trust to put in place necessary additional support for disabled veterans and their families to receive care and support alongside civilian disabled people. The project will provide clinical expertise to enable them to respond safely, clinically and personally to the needs of temporary residents from a military background either so that they may participate in course and activities run at Tedworth House or simply to provide a break for their primary carers or just to have a holiday in beautiful surroundings without having to worry about their clinical needs.
Guildford Borough Council	Freedom to play	£19,933	This project will address common barriers for children accessing play that are identified within the local Play Strategy, including specific barriers for children from military families. It will use children's shared need to play as a platform for overcoming barriers of social integration between children from service and civilian families. This will be achieved through delivering 3 distinct services: weekly Playranger sessions, FISH holiday play scheme and 2 community event at Beech Grove which will provide the opportunity to further integrate service and civilian community members, promoting local opportunities for accessing play.

Hampshire Library Service	Community Champions	£20,000	The project will focus on two areas with high numbers of service families; Gosport and Aldershot. An Armed Forces Champion Coordinator will be recruited in both areas and will aim to train and supervise 20 volunteers to deliver signposting workshops with key messages to improve health and well-being and reduce social isolation.
Home-Start Rushmoor and Hart	School Readiness	£20,000	Trained volunteers led by a Group Worker will help both service and civilian children in a group environment to develop their skills to be able to participate in school in an effective and positive way. They will also help parents understand how to create and maintain a positive learning environment at home. The charity will help integrate service and civilian families as they develop their children's language and cognitive skills; help children behave appropriately; develop children's coping/living skills during periods of change and help parents understand the support a child needs
Maidstone Gurkha Nepalese CIC	Maidstone Gurkha Nepalese CIC - South Park Pavilion Community Hall Project	£20,000	The organisation aims to establish a permanent local community hall in order to: set up a community hall for Gurkha veterans to share and exchange important information ; provide IT training to Gurkha veterans and Nepalese members; establish a base for contact with the wider community in Maidstone; and run activities for family members of all ages.
Oxford Parent Infant Project (OXPIP)	OXPIP at RAF Benson	£14,269	OXPIP will provide a specialist service for parents and babies at RAF Benson, offering 1:1 work with families requiring individual support in addition to groups for parents and babies, facilitated by an OXPIP therapist. They will also offer informal consultation to those on base working with very young families.
PICKET TWENTY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION	The Beating Heart of Picket Twenty Community	£19,500	The project aims to support and build on community integration, which is occurring naturally, between military families and other residents within the community so that strong and lasting bonds can be made between all who live in the local area. It will allow further community integration projects to take place, and encourage lasting partnership between residents and organisations, for example between the Army Families Federations and the Community Association.
Royal Air Force	RAF Benson Community Road Safety Campaign	£19,627	This project will deliver a road safety campaign in the local area around the base, delivered by volunteers from the base. RAF Benson takes its responsibility for engaging with local people seriously. The project will demonstrate the RAF's commitment to ensure a sense of integration and unity towards a safer environment for all.
Royal British Legion Industries	Children's Play Area for The Royal British Legion Village, Aylesford	£20,000	'The Summit', a children's play area will be situated outside RBLI's community hub and café Base Camp, located on the charity's Aylesford village. It will encourage civilians in the local area to come into the village that provides housing for veterans. The play area will be next to the Base Camp community facility.

Royal Marines Heritage Trail (Deal and Walmer)	Royal Marines Heritage Trails	£20,000	The project will research, develop and maintain a heritage trail which celebrates the presence of the Royal Marines and other units of the armed forces in Deal and Walmer for the public benefit by enabling them to better understand the history, impact and legacy of that presence. A new trail will link to Dover and the Zeebrugge Memorial Bell and the Dover Patrol memorial. The First World War links of Deal will be especially emphasised. The points on the trail will be indicated by a discrete durable marker embedded into the pavement or wall at each point of interest. Leaflet Maps, a Website and an Electronic App will be developed to show the routes and history.
Skill Horizons	Wild in Kent	£11,720	Wild In Kent will support young people from military and civilian communities and families to engage in forest school activities. The aim is to create outside areas at schools within mixed service culture children. The overall aim focusses on communication skills and self-esteem. Sessions bring together both the serving and wider community, allowing them to get to know likeminded people in an outdoor setting.
South Central Ambulance Military Co-Responders	Military Co-Responders Kit scheme	£19,600	This grant will provide new kit and equipment for this existing project. Volunteer military responders work with volunteers from the public, fire service and police services to make life saving contributions in their local community. This allows them to play a part in the life of the community. The grant will also support a commemorative dinner to celebrate the involvement of service personnel volunteering to aid the local community.
South Wonston Primary School	Project Arthur	£20,000	About a third of the children at South Wonston School are from Service families, many stationed at Worthy Down. This project will promote engagement between military and civilian families by developing an outdoor space. Here a range of activities can take place, helping children develop relationships, self-esteem and socialise.
SSAFA - The Military Charity	SSAFA Reading Gurkha Ladies Health and Wellbeing Booklet	£1,000	The project will enable the Gurkha Community to access and effectively use health care services and to enable health professionals to use time with Gurkhas more effectively. It has been found that the Gurkha community because of language problems and unfamiliarity with the Health Service find services difficult to access and appointments with health professionals difficult and not always satisfactory. The grant will enable the booklet to be published and distributed locally.
Test Valley Community Services	Further on up the Street	£19,139	TVCS will integrate young people from Army families into "Streets" - a community action and informal education project for young people aged 13-25, consisting of workshops on language, culture and healthy living for young people with problems such as drugs and alcohol abuse, mental health and lack of self-confidence.
Thames Valley Police	The Food Academy	£5,600	The Food Academy will engage young adults from the armed forces and non-forces communities, who've displayed challenging behaviour, or struggled with employment. They will undertake a catering course to learn discipline and teamwork. This project will be supported by local businesses through employment opportunities, and celebrated publicly.

The Institute for Statecraft	Shared-Outcomes with 11 Infantry Brigade	£10,770	The Encounter programme will create strong links between the Armed Forces and the civilian community, by assembling youngsters from minorities alongside Army cadets or young soldiers, and providing a week of sharing physical and social challenge, learning new skills, breaking down barriers and developing mutual trust, understanding and affinity.
The Queen Alexandra Hospital Home	Veterans and the Community: Reaching Out, Looking In	£10,264	Through community engagement, this project will raise awareness of QAHH's vital care and services for disabled veterans, enabling QAHH to reach a wider audience, share the heritage of the 97 year old organisation and offer opportunities for local people to have an active involvement with the charity and QAHH's residents.
The Society of St James	Step Towards Work	£20,000	SSJ will deliver a new employability skills programme for ex-servicemen and women who have previously experienced alcohol and/or drug addiction. A comprehensive range of training, mentoring and practical work experience will increase confidence in beneficiaries to encourage them to take steps towards transitioning into rewarding, sustainable employment.
The University of Winchester	Festival of Friends	£19,931	The Festival of Friends will invite schools to deliver projects promoting the integration of service children and pilot a new model of regional collaboration through a partnership of school based champions. It will culminate in an awards and celebration event spreading best practice in promoting understanding and integration. It will build a 'progression partnership' involving schools across Hampshire
SOUTH WEST			
21st Signal Regiment	Colerne RFC Changing Rooms Project	£20,000	The project seeks to provide a modern purpose built block facility that will last for 75 years without the need of major annual maintenance. It will provide changing rooms, showers and toilets for 2 teams and match officials together with stores and a separate area for the children's section of the club and will include a disabled person's toilet. The current facilities are no longer fit for purpose. The club is used by people from the Armed Forces and civilian communities
Age UK Wiltshire	Fitness for Life and Lifestyle	£20,000	This project will work with older veterans and people from the local community to promote wellbeing and physical activity. The project will train 8 individuals from army families to become qualified fitness instructors and support the setting up of fitness clubs for older people which they will then run.
Alabare Christian Care and Support	Alabare Plymouth Homes for Veterans	£20,000	Alabaré Homes for Veterans offers support for men and women across the UK who have left active service and who are experiencing difficulty adapting to civilian life. The project help those who are homeless or at risk of being homeless, providing accommodation and tailored support to help them rebuild their lives. Veterans may find it hard to deal with the lack of support network and social isolation after discharge, and for some this is combined with issues such as depression, PTSD, ill health, unemployment, family breakdown or similar.

Bath Rugby Foundation	Bath Rugby Foundation Military Academy	£20,000	Tacking Transition is a Bath Rugby Foundation programme which aims to assist military service leavers and veterans who may be interested in a career in the sports industry. Tackling Transition is a free course specifically designed for ex-servicemen and women who may want to transition into coaching. The course features sports specific qualifications and work placements, CV writing, interview skills, a sports industry information day and coaching experience in a range of environments, including schools and clubs. The course also allows participants the opportunity to gain an England Rugby Coaching Award Level 2 qualification.
Battling On Community Interest Company	Inspiring Lives	£20,000	The 'Inspiring Lives' project will support young people with complex socio-economic problems to re-engage with society through an innovative intervention programme using the skills and expertise of trained veterans who will act as positive role models and coaches.
Bournemouth Above And Beyond Trust	Bournemouth Sports & Civvy Career Integration Project	£20,000	This project will work with serving personnel, veterans and local people using sport to promote community integration and encourage veterans to engage in activities that promote health and wellbeing. Serving personnel will also be encouraged to think about potential careers in civilian life by organising and participating in sporting activities.
Colerne CE Primary School	Colerne School Garden Project	£9,300	The project will provide children with hands-on experience of gardening, their environment and local wildlife, enabling them to care for and work both outdoors and under cover in wet weather. It will strengthen the link between Armed Forces and civilian children. The project will provide children and volunteer parents with an additional practical and positive working experience by developing the school's extra-curricular gardening activities, bringing together children and volunteers from all backgrounds in common activities which lie beyond the school's curriculum or budget. The Project is assisted by the village Garden Club who provide supervision and instruction, and who seek to co-opt both Armed Forces and local parents to help. The grant will allow children to share in the management of the fruit trees, to create meadow areas with wildflowers, to conserve wildlife by the improvement of natural habitats and corridors, to study wildlife in two ponds, and to care for the school's chickens; outside of school hours
Dorset Youth Association	Strengthening Families Programme - Dorset	£19,000	The organisation will provide support to families at one of the most difficult stages for young people, the transition from child to teenager, where relationships become strained and difficult. The Strengthening Families Programme will improve family members understanding of each other pressures, particularly where work within HM Forces add further instabilities

REME Museum of Technology	REME Museum - Crowns Cafe	£20,000	The project will develop the Crowns Cafe, on the edge of the REME base in Lyneham, serving the staff working on the base, the museum and members of the general public. People will be able to access the cafe without attending the museum, and it will develop a shared space that can be used by military and civilian communities. The project offers volunteering opportunities, new jobs and a welcoming space.
Royal Navy Royal Marines Welfare	Wyndham Park Community Hub	£8,000	The project will provide a safe and appropriate community space to facilitate local community led activities, groups and meetings, in order to promote a strong sense of resilience and resourcefulness within the Wyndham Park community. This will be short term until the successful completion of the new school and integrated Community Centre.
SEAP	Plymouth Military Advocacy Service (mAs)	£18,722	The Plymouth Military Advocacy Service will deliver specialist support for veterans who face a complex mixture of health, housing, financial, family and social problems. The military advocate will be assisted by a small team of well trained volunteers, empowering veterans and their families to get their lives back on track.
Somerset & Avon Rape and Sexual Abuse Support - SARSAS	Training & resources for welfare and military staff about sexual violence	£20,000	This project will provide training and resources for welfare and military staff and community agencies about sexual violence. A film, leaflets and posters will also be produced to improve the confidence, skills and knowledge of staff providing front line support to victims.
The Institute for Statecraft	Shared-Outcomes with South West Region	£10,770	The Encounter programme will create strong links between the Armed Forces and the civilian community, by assembling youngsters from minorities alongside Army cadets or young soldiers, and providing a week of sharing physical and social challenge, learning new skills, breaking down barriers and developing mutual trust, understanding and affinity.
The Wellington College Academy Trust	Wellington in the Community	£19,315	The Wellington in the Community programme will seek to integrate and support Academy parents and local community through Health, fitness and personal and family development opportunities while decreasing social isolation experienced by families in the area Tidworth community area. Around half of the parents at the Academy are from the Armed Forces Community
Theatre Temoin Limited	A Modern Odyssey: Theatre and Workshop Programme for Military Mental Health	£13,000	The production "Nobody's Home" engages audiences with the complex issue of military mental health and provides platform for generation conversation around mental health and decreasing stigma. It also serves as an effective signposting and education opportunity for Army policy makers and the Army Welfare Service internally., and NGOs and community based care provider externally, bring service users and service providers into one place. The grant will enable an additional 4 performances and 4 workshops in community venues to bring the programme to an additional 800 audience members including 400 military spouses and family members, 200 veterans and 200 local third sector workers.

Wessex Community Circus CIC Ltd	Buzz Squad	£15,000	The Wessex Community Circus works with young people and other community groups. This project will encourage community integration among young people through circus activities during a road show day on Salisbury Plain. Young people will be encouraged to continue to practice if they wish at the circus club which will be held at venues convenient to military and civilian communities, with transport laid on. The organisation will recruit veterans to support the programme.
Westcountry Hawks Wheelchair Rugby Club	West Country Forces Wheelchair Rugby	£19,963	The project aims to integrate the needs of current and former members of the Armed Services, meeting rehabilitation needs through the sport of Wheelchair Rugby. Delivery will be via creation of both a Team and league in which they can compete with the wider community. Part of the grant will be spent on sports wheelchairs. As the project develops, interaction through sport between disabled veterans and the civilian community will be encouraged and supported.
Wincanton Community Venture	Hub2	£19,860	Hub2 will work with people living in an area where most residents are from the Armed Forces Community. As the project becomes more established with regular groups and activities running, people from all the other parts of Wincanton and the surrounding area will be introduced and included. The project will involve using the resources of the Balsam Centre, physical and human, to engage and inspire people to take part in shared experiences and activities that cement strong and lasting relationships between the military and civilian communities, in the immediate area and beyond.
WEST MIDLANDS			
Army Welfare Service - Community Support	Growing Connections	£15,000	The organisation will bring together military and non-military families by developing a community nature area and holiday activities programme. Families will design and prepare the area that will become a community space people can enjoy for years to come. This will be a base for nature tots and family events like Easter egg hunts. The project will bring families together to design and develop a community nature area on MOD property next to the Dixon Community Centre on Tedder Road. This is off camp and accessible to all the community. The organisation will work with Staffordshire wildlife trust to develop the area.
City of Wolverhampton council	Veterans Housing Support	£13,500	The project will provide training to a variety housing / health related support services on the specific needs of veterans and provide rent bonds for veterans who are in housing need to access private sector housing. The project will offer a bespoke service to veterans in the city, based on their individual needs.

Hunters Hill Technology College	Heroes of Arnhem	£15,100	Hunters Hill School will be working with veterans from the Redditch Branch of the Parachute Regiment Association and other service institutions to research and celebrate the heroism of the soldiers awarded the Victoria Cross during the Battle of Arnhem. The project will build on the longstanding relationship between the school and the local branch of the Parachute Regiment Association. It will bring together veterans and young people from very different generations and enable them to engage in a joint project together.
Make Some Noise Ltd	Upbeat Families	£19,629	The project will run 'Upbeat sessions' for Forces families with pre-school children to increase participation in Early Years Music making, supporting development of skills across the EYFS prime areas of learning and development and strengthening family attachment to ensure relationship resilience through participation in creative musical activity.
MediaActive Projects C.I.C.	Sharing Skills -Sharing Stories	£19,975	This intergenerational project will create new opportunities for civilians, armed forces personnel, veterans and their families, to come together, to develop and share skills whilst creating an exhibition that will tour widely, marking the part played by the RAF throughout its history to modern day, and contributing to the RAF Centenary. Content will be developed by veterans and civilians accessing a number of projects run locally by charities. Veterans taking part in the project will develop new skills.
RAF Cosford, Community Support	Information Directory for Young People	£20,000	RAF Cosford will provide support to young people in the form of a film and a printed tri service guide to being a young person in a military family. The guide will include where young people can go for advice and information as part of their transition to new postings. The guide will be jointly developed between young people from the Armed Forces Community and local civilian community.
Recruit For Spouses	Supporting military spouses to gain employment in Stafford .	£20,000	The project will appoint a full-time Spousal Employment Coordinator who will establish links with Staffordshire businesses and work with spouses in the Staffordshire area that are seeking employment. They will support those not work ready with appropriate help CV writing, job interview techniques.
Shawbury Military Wives Choir	Sing, Share, Support in Shropshire	£11,700	The established Shawbury Military Wives Choir will run a project to develop closer links with the civilian community in the Shropshire area.

Warwickshire County Council	Armed Forces Covenant e-Learning programme	£20,000	Warwickshire County Council, on behalf of the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire Armed Forces Covenant partnership will develop an innovative e-learning resource for Armed Forces personnel and their families. This training programme has been designed to raise awareness of the Armed Forces Covenant and highlight how it can support them in reducing disadvantages that can occur as a result of their Service. The project includes a social media campaign targeted towards Armed Forces personnel and their families to encourage them to access the training. This work is part of the local partnerships contribution to supporting the Armed Forces and their families and delivering on the Covenant promise to reduce disadvantage for the Armed Forces community. The purpose of the campaign is to raise the profile of the Armed Forces Covenant, show how it can do more than people realise and encourage people to use these specially designed resources to find out more.
YSS Ltd	Veterans Voices	£20,000	Veterans Voices will help Local Covenants and Criminal Justice agencies to improve services by bringing together the personal testimonies of offender-veterans and support agencies to communicate powerful stories of their experiences and routes to finding the right support, with the intention that providers respond by removing disadvantage from service delivery. The project will work directly with ex serving personnel who have encountered the criminal justice system; and support them to develop public speaking skills so that they can share their experiences; particularly of what worked to help them move forward.
ENGLAND- MULTI REGION			
SHAPE-UK LTD	IMPACT Boxercise Partnership	£19,800	The project will deliver a physical education and engagement programme with the Armed Forces community using a boxing theme. The project will be targeted to young people; who through the project will be encouraged to interact with serving members of the Armed Forces.
Veterans Outreach Support	Veterans Outreach Support Peer Mentor Scheme	£10,000	This grant will fund a one year pilot project to create a peer mentor scheme in Veterans Outreach Support, delivering activity-based group peer mentoring to enhance veterans' wellbeing and one-to-one peer mentoring to provide veterans with practical day-to-day support. The impacts from the project will be measured to gain a better understanding of what works
UK- MULTI REGION			
Forces in the Community	'Foresight'	£18,800	The 'Foresight 'project focuses on the need for increased community integration, and the delivery of local multi-faceted services. The project uses CPD events to civilians, coupled with a holistic approach to meeting veteran's needs. The events will look to improve perceptions and promote community integration. They will also provide support to veterans with financial or health needs.
OVERSEAS			

Defence Section, British Embassy, Doha, Qatar	Defence/Partners community	£12,000	The organisation will stage 6 key events spread throughout the year. The project will support 4 separate ships visits, A UK Armed Forces Day and a Commonwealth Day, which will bring together current serving Armed Forces personnel from the 3 services serving in Doha, the ex UK military community, their partners and children as well as high profile UK Business leaders and the British Ambassador.
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