

Grants awarded under the Ex Service Personnel in the Criminal Justice System Continuation and Sustainability Programme in in 2018/19

7 grants totalling £1,101,308

ARMED FORCES COVENANT FUND TRUST

	Project Title	Grant Amount	Description
Name			
The Venture Trust	Positive Futures - Meteorite	£140,415	The project will work with 'Hidden veterans' across Scotland who don't self- identify or engage with support, for a number of identified reasons. Outreach posts, dedicated to supporting Veterans involved with Criminal Justice will work with support originations and new and existing networks, and identify and support 'hidden veterans' with a criminal justice background.
SSAFA, the Armed Forces Charity	VCJS Support Service	£110,893	SSAFA's new Veterans in the Criminal Justice System (VCJS) support service brings together their VCJS pilot project with their Prison-In-Reach (PIR) service. They will focus on ensuring a presence in all prisons and assisting those who are serving community sentences and their families. A whole-person and early intervention/prevention approach to support will help former service personnel and their families take steps to address their issues before they escalate into more serious problems. In doing so, the service will play a crucial role in removing the barriers to successful rehabilitation.
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, West Mercia	Remember Veterans	£150,000	The project will continue vital aspects of the Remember Veterans project in identifying and supporting former members of the armed forces in the criminal justice system across Warwickshire and West Mercia, providing direct support to former service personnel, developing Veterans Champions, working across sectors in partnership and collaboration.
IOM Cymru SToMP	IOM Cymru SToMP project	£250,000	IOM Cymru SToMP aims to design and develop a consistent, whole-system approach for ex-Armed Service Personnel across Wales in the journey from police call out to their exit from the Criminal Justice System and provide strategic oversight to encourage collaborative, multi-agency work and avoid duplication SToMP has developed a network of front line staff Champions across criminal justice organisations in Wales to ensure change is embedded

HMPPS [formerly NOMS - National Offender Management Service]	Network for Ex- Service Personnel (NESP)	£150,000	 post-SToMP. They will work to reach female ex service personnel in prisons and focus increased attention upstream, on preventative, diversionary and court activity. NESP will continue to support veterans through four key areas providing support with resettlement, exploring particular areas of complexity relating to post release supervision following service detention by the Courts Martial with the aim of reducing the number of veterans entering custody as a result of offending escalating, having a programme of support for Veterans in Custody Officers (ViCSO) and increasing functionality and reach of Service Delivery Map that has grown from cross sector collaborative working.
Walking With The Wounded	Project Nova veterans in police custody	£150,000	Project Nova offers tailored support to veterans caught up in anti-social behaviour and in Police Custody. Many of the veterans helped are vulnerable adults with mental health challenges and a history of drug, or alcohol misuse and a risk of homelessness. The project will bring early intervention support to veterans in police custody and support veterans to seek independence, by providing long-term security by means of sustainable employment post military. This decreases the number of veterans re-offending and entering the criminal justice system.
Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust	The TILS Prison Outreach Project	£150,000	The funding will extend the reach of the project to all London prisons. The aim is to help veterans access appropriate support as early in their criminal justice pathway as possible, in order to improve criminal justice outcomes. Priority will be given to training staff members working in the CJS across London in veteran sensitive practice, ensuring they are able to identify veterans, are aware of their needs, and have knowledge of local and regional services available to veterans. Training will also cover the role of trauma in offending behaviour, promote trauma informed care and provide information on how to access consultation from the TILS. The project also supports the navigation of referral pathways to enable former service personnel to access support for mental health needs.