



Grants awarded under the Armed Forces Covenant- Local Grants priority; in 2018/19

October 2018; 45 grants totalling £723,973.

**ARMED FORCES
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Name	Project Title	Grant Amount	Description	Priority
Northern Ireland				
Priory Integrated College	'Bridge the gaps'	20,000.00	The project will offer support to young people of secondary school age to develop skills that can help to develop confidence, and lead to stronger positive relationships with their peers and teachers. A range of activities will be offered to young people of different ages.	Community Integration
Thomas Street Methodist Church Portadown	Armistice Remembrance weekend	1,780.00	The grant will support a three day event linked to the Armistice, with a range of displays. Young people will be involved in the project	Community Integration
Reserve Forces and Cadets Association NI	Connaught Rangers Memorial	3,000.00	The project will lay a plaque to 6th Battalion Connaught Rangers, raised in West Belfast and wiped out 1918. This is the culmination of efforts by a group of Republicans, including former prisoners, to persuade communities that their history is more complex than assumed and that they share more with others than realised.	Community Integration
Scotland				
Gorebridge Community Cares	Food for thought	20,000.00	The project will work with school children aged 11-13 from both civilian and Armed Forces Communities. It will aim to integrate both using the established and highly successful Firebreak programme, while adding the dynamic of learning and reflecting about local First World War history, and the impact on the community.	Community Integration

The Scottish Submarine Centre	Scottish Submarine Centre Banquet Facility	20,000.00	The Scottish Submarine Centre will be enhancing its offering to the local community through improvement works that will include a new kitchen and a space which can be used for events. The project will result in a space which can be used for events for up to 100 people from the local Armed Forces community and civilian communities.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
West College Scotland	Complementary Therapies for Veterans	19,232.00	Students and staff from West College Scotland will provide weekly complementary therapy sessions for veterans supported by Erskine and Scottish War Blinded in Renfrewshire. This will involve mindfulness, massage, and aromatherapy, building positive connections between student and veteran communities.	Local Service Delivery
Helensburgh & Lomond Carers SCIO	Get Involved With The Drama (GIWTD) Pilot Project	19,122.00	The organisation will pilot opportunities for young carers including those of military families to participate in an arts/drama programme. Issues such as social isolation, lack of confidence, poor body-image, separation, stress & anxiety will be addressed. This will culminate in a final production touring local schools to highlight these issues.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Scotland's Bravest Manufacturing Company	Scotland's Bravest Manufacturing Company (SBMC)	19,992.00	Scotland's Bravest Manufacturing Company will enable veterans with disabilities, both physical and mental, to regain their independence through personal development involving employment, skills and training while providing a professional service and high quality product. SBMC will provide wrap-around support and guidance to encourage sustainable lifelong changes for the beneficiaries.	Local Service Delivery
Royal British Legion Scotland Largs Branch	World War 1 Commemoration	2,554.00	The grant will help to support an event will bring the Community of Largs together for the first time in many years to remember; through a co-ordinated project including local churches, veterans, youth organisations and community organisations	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Wales				
Crickhowell Community Primary school	Crickhowell Primary Skillforce Award	11,600.00	Crickhowell Community Primary School will use the grant to deliver the Prince William Award programme. The programme will help pupils, including forces children. It is led by ex-forces personnel and works to develop the skills of empathy, leadership, confidence, team-work and, above all, resilience in the face of challenge.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery

Flintshire County Council	Flintshire - Communities Together in Remembrance	10,638.00	Flintshire County Council will co-ordinate a series of events that will bring members of communities across the County together to support their local Armed Forces, past and present and enable them to honour those who made the ultimate sacrifice. They will remember them as their own and in their own way. The project will work with the local community, schools, Cadet groups and youth organisations	Community Integration
Mount Street Nursery and Infant School	Community Outdoor classroom	10,460.00	The school will erect an Outdoor classroom in the grounds of the school .The school is committed to Outdoor learning and significant funds have been spent on developing the grounds and training staff to provide high quality learning experiences for pupils	Community Integration
Caerphilly County Borough Council	Gwent Armed Forces Community Directory of Services	1,981.00	This project will map current local services within Gwent which will be displayed in GP surgeries, JCPs, local libraries and local authority buildings. It will provide a comprehensive guide for the Armed Forces Communities in Gwent and for partner organisations who will support.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
East				
Nottingham Forest Community Trust	Nottingham Forest Forces	20,000.00	Nottingham Forest Community Trust will support veterans aged 50+ from across Nottinghamshire who are socially isolated, lonely and in need of support to lead a healthy and connected life. Our project adds value to existing provision and also engages with 'hidden' veterans using the club's position in the community.	Local Service Delivery
Relate Cambridge	Your Space	20,000.00	Relate will provide free one to one counselling sessions for up to 30 distressed 5-17 year old children of service personnel from RAF Wittering and civilian children from Wittering village, focusing on Wittering Primary School, Arthur Mellows Village College, and Stamford Welland Academy. The project also includes parental support.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Headquarters Colchester Garrison	Colchester Poppy Firebreak 2018	20,000.00	Delivered to Years 7 and 8 school children from both civilian and Armed Forces communities, the project will aim to integrate both using the established and highly successful Firebreak programme, while adding the dynamic of learning and reflecting about local First World War history, and the impact on the community.	Community Integration

Karimia Association LTD Working as Karimia institute	Karimia working with Armed Forces	20,000.00	The project will recruit a part time projects coordinator who will organise and deliver youth club sessions that engage with various military units within Brigades; monthly armed forces programmes on Radio Dawn, weekend residential visits with the Armed Forces and outreach to Muslim businesses to sign the Armed Forces Covenant	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Noah's Ark Pre-School	Pre school Outdoor Equipment	19,955.00	The grant will provide a new outdoor activity centre for the pre-school to include rubber safety surfacing in order to facilitate a safe, all-weather area where children can learn new skills including increased co-ordination through play as well as gaining health benefits from physical exercise and the outdoors.	Community Integration
HQ Woodbridge Station (23 Para Engr Regt)	Rock Community Picnic Gardens	18,000.00	The project will establish a recreational picnic area. This will contribute significantly to improve the quality of life of both service and civilian families living at Woodbridge Station. The garden will create a space where families and individuals have quality time, meet friends and engage with others, all in a calming natural environment.	Community Integration
Jon Egging Trust	Reach for Blue Skies	20,000.00	The project will provide opportunities for a wide range of young people across Norfolk, to participate in JET's bespoke programmes: Blue Skies & Inspirational Outreach. Encouraging young people to overcome adversity, raise their aspirations, increase their confidence and self-belief; in order for them to be the best they can be.	Community Integration
London				
The Fighting Chance	The Fighting Chance for Veterans	19,843.00	The Fighting Chance for Veterans is a unique employability programme designed to meet the needs of Veterans. It will get Veterans back on the path to work by using boxing training to engage and motivate, and individualised employment support to help them find and remain in work.	Local Service Delivery
The Soldiers' Arts Academy C.I.C	Staging a play with injured veterans to help them recover, retrain and return to work	20,000.00	The grant will support a 6-week run of a play 'Soldier On' by Jonathan Lewis at the The Other Palace theatre, London. The company includes serving and veteran service personnel and their families. Educational workshops for military personnel, veterans and schools will reinforce a play about recovery and new training.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery

CDARS in partnership with EPRA	Veterans' Voices Music project	19,960.00	CDARS and EPRA will develop a comprehensive music project from the Sunshine Café in Merton for CDARS' service users who experience or at risk of mental health crisis and veterans facing similar problems, including substance misuse. The Veterans' Voices Music Project will help combat loneliness and isolation.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
North East				
Launchpad	Occupational Therapy for Homeless Veterans	16,531.00	Launchpad will run a years' trial of using Occupational Therapy to improve the mental health, wellbeing and employability of 45 homeless and unemployed veterans in Newcastle. Learning from successful trials of Occupational Therapy for PTSD, homeless veterans with complex needs will access specialist support earlier to aid their rehabilitation.	Local Service Delivery
University of Sunderland	Strengthening Armed Forces Academic Collaboration	16,000.00	The project will further develop the partnership by developing a military focus element to their BSc Nursing programme, placements in Armed Forces areas, trauma awareness activities to integrate civilian and military populations, and develop a framework for accrediting the skills and knowledge of CMTs to enable access to Higher Education.	Community Integration
Veterans Woodcraft CIC	Rebuilding Lives With Wood	19,608.00	Veterans Woodcraft will help to rebuild the lives of veterans who have been affected physically or mentally by their military service by working with wood. The project works with other Armed Forces Charities to identify and offer woodworking workshops where veterans can learn a variety of new skills through structured activity. This project follows an earlier pilot project.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
North West				
Bolton Wanderers Community Trust	Friends of the Forces	19,804.00	Bolton Wanderers Community Trust will work with anyone currently serving or that has previously served as part of the UK Armed Forces, dependants including children and spouses and any carers across Bolton, Chorley and Preston. They will provide physical activity, training and qualifications in order to improve integration into local communities.	Community Integration

SAMS Armed Forces Hub CIC	SAMS Dry Bar	20,000.00	The grant will support a Project Supervisor and further volunteers to develop training plans for Armed Forces Veterans to integrate and improve perceptions, attitudes and understanding after coming out of a controlled environment within the Armed Forces. The project will provide a non-alcohol environment offering social activities and wider support	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Wigan Athletic Community Trust	Football 4 Forces	19,196.00	Football 4 Forces will build on a current successful programme by creating two new sessions and a North West league. It will provide ex-Service personnel and their families with weekly physical activity sessions and monthly competitions to help decrease social isolation and improve their health.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Nomad Adventure Therapy CIC	Veterans Into Construction Programme	20,000.00	The project involves a number of activities to support veterans to gain employment in the construction industry, including workshops on the construction process, on site construction experience mentored by skilled professionals and support in gaining relevant qualifications	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
RFEA - The Regular Forces Employment Charity	Project Nova - Greater Manchester	20,000.00	The grant will support Project Nova in Greater Manchester. Project Nova is a highly innovative programme to reach and support veterans who are arrested or at risk of arrest to improve social stability, support veterans into employment and reduce reoffending, and provides practical and emotional support. The project has close links with Greater Manchester Police	Local Service Delivery
Veterans In Communities	Veteran Wellbeing in Rochdale	19,677.00	Veterans in Communities will support improved health and wellbeing within the armed forces community in Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale. Identification of veterans will be promoted amongst other agencies, regular outreach delivered, individuals provided with local support and enabled to become active and integrated within their local community.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
BFC Memorial Garden Co. C.I.C.	Turf Moor Cenotaph and Flower Garden	3,000.00	The project is to remember the players and supporters of Burnley Football Club whom gave their lives for the country during the First World War, and builds on existing community work. The project will create a memorial garden; which will be used for wider community projects	Community Integration
South East				

Buryfields Infant School	Flyers and Friends	11,909.00	Buryfields will create a transition pack for pupils, extend provision under their Flyers Club and develop a Deployment Club scheme for all who have a parent away. The project will provide social support for service parents and families through a network of service representatives, committees and liaison events.	Local Service Delivery
Family Friends	Family Transitions	19,969.00	Family Friends will support the emotional wellbeing and integration of army families experiencing particular, significant life transitions and challenges. The project will focus on families from the Household Cavalry Regiment as they prepare for their move from Windsor to Wiltshire and the Welsh Guards moving in to Windsor.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Jon Egging Trust	Reach for Blue Skies	9,973.00	The project will provide opportunities for a wide range of young people across Oxfordshire, to participate in JET's bespoke programmes: Blue Skies & Inspirational Outreach. Encouraging young people to overcome adversity, raise their aspirations, increase their confidence and self-belief; in order for them to be the best they can be.	Community Integration
South West				
seAp	Military Advocacy and Integration Training	19,439.00	Military Advocacy and Integration Training will complement existing specialist one-to-one support for veterans with a one-year programme of integration events and awareness training for the Devon/Torbay veterans' community and civilian frontline service delivery staff, whilst building capacity through the recruitment and training of peer volunteers who have a military background.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Battling On Community Interest Company	About Turn	20,000.00	Battling On will provide mentoring and support to vulnerable adults living in Plymouth who have disengaged with society. The veterans will be trained as mentors to offer support and guidance through activities designed to boost confidence and self esteem including community based volunteering within Plymouth based communities.	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Exeter City Community Trust	Exeter City FC Veterans Club	18,000.00	Exeter City Community Trust will support veterans of all ages and from all sections of the armed forces who may be socially isolated, lonely and in need of additional support with either transition into civilian life or with regards re-connecting with old friends and building up their support systems.	Local Service Delivery

St Austell Unit 568 Of The Sea Cadet Corps	Freehold Purchase	20,000.00	The grant will help to secure the unit for future cadet generations by contributing towards purchasing the freehold of the land that their building is situated on. The sea cadets in St Austell have been a part of the local community for 70 years, and this project will help to ensure that they are there for future Cadet generations	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
West Midlands				
Stoke-on-Trent City Council	Stoke Veterans Employment Project	19,000.00	The Stoke Veterans Employment Project will engage with local businesses to secure job opportunities for Service Leavers. It will provide Veterans with pre-employment support, delivering skills such as CV writing, interview techniques and effective job application. Once veterans are 'work-ready', they will be supported through the job application process	Local Service Delivery
Oswestry Town Museum Company Limited	Wilfred Owen Festival of Commemoration & Remembrance	5,200.00	The aim of the project is to deliver a week long festival of commemoration and remembrance linked to two of the most important WW1 centenaries of our generation, leaving behind a legacy for future generations to re-visit, explore and understand the sacrifices that were to change our society forever. The project will enable people of all ages and from diverse communities to engage with the events which include art, drama, poetry, public lectures and exhibitions.	Community Integration
UK Wide				
Building Heroes Education Foundation	Employment Engagement Officer	18,870.00	The project will promote benefits of employing veterans and ex service personnel, creating links between potential employers in the building and construction trades, connecting veterans with employers recognising the exceptional work ethic, commitment, skills and experience they can bring to their organisation	Both Community Integration & Local Service Delivery
Jubilee Sailing Trust	Forces Sailing Forward (FSF)	20,000.00	'Forces Sailing Forward' will expand the Jubilee Sailing Trust's existing Armed Forces Programme to military families and the civilian communities within which they live. By appointing a dedicated Military Manager, they will utilise the JST's extensive network to identify, maximise and develop opportunities, ensuring greater integration and community cohesion.	Community Integration
Overseas				

David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation	Operation Footprints	9,680.00	Operation Footprints will bring together a group of skilled WIS veterans with rangers in Africa in need of training through the creation of a partnership with Walking with the Wounded. A minimum of three courses will be delivered over 12 months on subjects including first aid, vehicle maintenance and radio communications.	Community Integration
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