

## THE ARMED FORCES COVENANT FUND TRUST

#### Grants awarded under the Sustaining Support programme| Core Track | Round 2

## Grants totalling £817,317

Name	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount		
England					
Highground Projects Ltd	Core funding for key salaries	Fundraising for Highground Projects Ltd has been drastically impacted by CV-19. With the need to ensure the organisation can continue to deliver their existing services, to serving personnel and veterans, this grant will help respond to the increased demand for our services. It will go towards making sure the experienced staff who deliver the services are to remain in post.	£80,732.00		
Forward Assist	Core Funding for Management Staff	With this grant, Forward Assist will maintain and increase support for Veterans while they face additional stress from the economic and social impact of the pandemic, at a time when donations to all charities have declined.	£50,000.00		
Hull 4 Heroes	Sustaining and Transforming Veterans Support	Hull4Heroes has had to make substantial changes to their operations due to COVID. The momentum and eagerness to help Veterans has highlighted so many more Veterans in need. As other local agencies support lessened, Hull4Heroes expanded their operations. These roles are crucial to the charity's success now and in the future. The funding from the Trust will sustain the delivery of the project.	£50,000.00		
Liverpool Veterans HQ	Strategic Development and Charity Management	Veterans HQ will utilise funding to deliver veterans support services across the Liverpool City Region. The charity will employ a Development Officer who will develop a full strategic and sustainable service delivery plan for HQ. Veterans HQ will also employ a Families Officer supporting veterans' families with services and activities.	£50,000.00		
Veterans in Communities	Core funding for outreach projects	Veterans in Communities (VIC) will use this funding to continue their outreach work and provide support to the Armed Forces community. The funding will also allow VIC to provide greater support to their volunteers, making the organisation more sustainable beyond the life of the funding period.	£46,725.00		



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Veterans' Growth	Core funding for key staff	Veterans' Growth is planning for the future, in terms of stability and expansion and therefore the organisation will use the funding to secure two key positions. Having these salaried positions will ensure the organisation's good work continues with the right individuals heading up a hardworking and talented team.	£50,000.00
Armed Forces Community Support Hub (Devon)	AFCSH - Core Funding 2021/2022	The Armed Forces Community Support Hub will continue its essential services to support veterans, service leavers and their families by continuing to employ staff, including veterans, to help both existing and new clients into employment, via education/training, welfare support around health, housing and wellbeing, community support and cultural enrichment activities.	£50,000.00
Communities Fiji Britain	Immigration support and BAU funding	Communities Fiji Britain is in a unique position to assist this minority group. The organisation needs this fund to continue the current programmes of information, signposting and casework but also to enhance the output with the provision of qualified immigration advice. The award will help improve compliance, record keeping, IT systems and expertise.	£49,987.00
		Northern Ireland	
Brooke House Project	Core Funding to improve oversight.	With this award from the Trust, Brooke House will expand the range of skills available, develop networking with other providers across the spectrum and improve referral mechanisms. The associate team will be supported and developed to ensure their skills	£99,612.00
		Scotland	
Lothians Veterans Centre	Core funding to keep centre	Since COVID-19, Lothians Veterans Centre have found that a number of funding streams have ended or decreased, amounting to a substantial annual income loss. Because Lothians Veterans Centre have been focussed on service provision they have been unable to replace these funding streams. This vital funding will help provide for the centre in lieu of normal funding streams.	£48,914.00



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The Venture Trust	Building Positive Futures for Veterans	Venture Trust believes no one should be left behind struggling with adversity, inequality, or vulnerability. Using community outreach and the catalytic power of Scotland's wilderness, funding from the Trust will allow Venture Trust to continue to support Scotland's most vulnerable veterans to gain life skills, stability and confidence needed to build positive futures.	£80,000.00
	·	UK Wide	
Reading Force	Core funding- administrative efficiency and expansion	Reading Force - the shared reading initiative, will use this funding to reform their administrative structure, processes and build a more cost-effective, sustainable future, in order to better serve their many serving and veteran Forces families and individuals so they can participate in and benefit from Reading Force.	£61,347.00
The Military Wives Choirs Foundation	Back, and stronger together	As a small charity Military Wives Choirs relies on performance opportunities to bring in much needed funding to keep the choirs network thriving. Since the start of the pandemic the charity has lost an estimated 25% of our annual charity income due to cancellation of performances and events. This vital funding will help sustain The Military Wives Choirs Foundation in lieu of normal funding streams.	£100,000.00
		Total	£817,317.00