

## England



### Grants awarded under the Sustaining Support programme | Project Track 2020/2021 September 2021

**27 Grants totalling £1,650,839.00**

Name	Project Title	Project Description	Grant Amount
<b>England</b>			
Age UK Leicestershire and Rutland	Joining Forces Project	Throughout the pandemic older veteran, living locally, felt reassured that they could contact the Joining Forces Project for support, help and encouragement. The grant to Age UK Leicestershire and Rutland will ensure access to familiar ongoing support over the coming months, while they regain their confidence and re-engage with activities and local networks.	£49,522.00
Home-Start Mid & West Suffolk	Community Support for Base Families	The grant to Home-Start Mid & West Suffolk's project will enable them to continue supporting military families on the three bases across Suffolk. Their project reduces isolation and loneliness and improves mental health and well being. The project 'Community Support for Base Families' delivers home visits, and offers group support and fun workshops for children and families.	£27,241.00
Age UK Bromley and Greenwich	Nepalese Gurkha Veterans Community Project	Age UK Bromley & Greenwich offers support to the ex-Gurkha community in the London borough of Greenwich. Greenwich has the second largest Nepalese community in England and includes Gurkhas and their families. Funding has been awarded to support the Nepalese Gurkha Veterans Community Project's which will improve mental and physical health and well-being through community integration, activities, and services.	£49,968.00
Age UK Bradford and District	Reconnecting Veterans in Bradford District	A grant has been awarded to support Age UK Bradford District's Reconnecting Veterans in Bradford District project. This aims to meet clear and significant needs that have been identified by veterans across the district in respect of services to provide the required activities, help, support, information and advice as the country transitions to a post-Covid way of life.	£61,695.00

Age UK Gateshead	Boots on the ground	The project 'Boots on the ground' will help people stay connected and valued in their communities . Age UK Gateshead will continue to provide home and person based services enabling people to stay safe in their homes and connected to the very communities they live in whilst feeling valued, listened to and wanted.	£48,024.00
Age UK North Tyneside	V2V (Veteran to Veteran) support	The grant will enable Age UK North Tyneside to continue to provide services and support to veterans to be provided in places they felt comfortable in. The project will take specialist services to veterans in existing veteran hubs in North Tyneside	£43,360.00
Age UK Northumberland	Covenant Reset	Age UK Northumberland specialises in the provision of advice and support to help make life better for over 50s. The project 'Covenant Reset' aims to make a difference to veterans lives by helping them to reset and recondition their body and mind after lockdown and get back to living. The grant will enable support to continue to be given to veterans	£38,365.00
Blackpool FC Community Trust	BFC Armed Forces Support Group	Blackpool FC received funding to help continue their Armed Forces Support Group. This is a project led by ex-serving personnel. It offers wellbeing support to veterans in Blackpool through outdoor sport and physical activity, peer support groups and welfare calls.	£28,666.00
Groundwork Manchester Salford Stockport Tameside and Trafford	Operation Re-Org Employ GM	Groundwork Greater Manchester's was awarded a grant to continue their project 'Operation Re-Org Employ GM'. This supports 75 unemployed veterans to use skills gained in the Armed Forces to secure work in recruiting sectors in the post pandemic labour market through their specialist veterans employment service Operation Re-Org.	£65,000.00
Age UK Portsmouth	Joining Forces	Age UK Portsmouth has received funding to continue their "Joining Forces" project that offers support to veterans and their families.	£74,406.00
Age UK Surrey	Call of Friendship and Support	The project 'Call of Friendship and Support' by Age UK Surrey will continue to help decrease the impact of Covid on veterans and older people. The project focuses on wellbeing, levels of activity and ability to cope with everyday life.	£26,111.00
Citizens Advice Hart District Ltd	The Forces Families Project	The grant awarded to the Forces Families Project will enable Citizens Advice Hart District Ltd to continue providing free, confidential and impartial advice and training sessions to Armed Forces personnel and their families whilst planning for the longer term. The project will assist with the specific challenges that the community faces.	£49,757.00
Rowans Hospice	Rowans Hospice Veterans Service	A grant was awarded to enable Rowan's Hospice to continue its 'Rowans Hospice Veterans Service' project. This provides dedicated support for Veterans of all ages affected by life limiting illness in the Portsmouth and S E Hampshire area, and their families and carers.	£23,736.00

RMA-The Royal Marines Charity	Vulnerable RMs Transition into Employment	RMA-The Royal Marines Charity was awarded a grant to help them continue the delivery of their UK wide Employment and Education response programme. This project is targeted towards those vulnerable veterans who have lost their career due to COVID-19 and those who have or will transition out of service through medical or administrative discharge over the coming year.	£99,908.00
Step Together Volunteering	Rehabilitation Through Volunteering	Step Together has received a grant to help them continue their individualised intensive mentoring support to veterans and WIS service personnel with complex needs. With this funding they will help veterans to volunteer in their communities, to improve their wellbeing, build social networks and gain skills and experience to move forward in their civilian lives.	£49,970.00
Age UK Plymouth	Plymouth Veterans Club	Age UK Plymouth has received a grant to continue their Plymouth Veterans Club's project . They will use the money to expand the reach we have with veterans across the City, making their services more accessible and inclusive for all veterans.	£29,696.00
Combat Surfers	The Home Front Families Project	Surf Action will use this funding to continue to support Armed Forces families in Cornwall. The Home Front Families Project will especially concentrate on the large number of families from RNAS Culdrose who have just started an 8-month separation from loved ones.	£50,000.00
Age UK Herefordshire & Worcestershire	Veterans Support and Outreach Service	Age UK Herefordshire & Worcestershire will continue its vital work supporting older veterans who are often at a very difficult stage in their life. The Veterans Support and Outreach Service project will enable the organisation to continue to fund a dedicated post to provide the outreach support in rural communities.	£99,660.00
<b>Scotland</b>			
Sacro	Veterans Mentoring Service	A grant was awarded to help continue the 'Veterans Mentoring Service' project. This delivers an intensive mentoring service for ex-military veterans who are involved in or on the periphery of the criminal justice system. It is anticipated that there will be an increase in referrals to the service due to the Covid-19 related backlog within the Court system.	£90,958.00
<b>UK Wide</b>			
Age UK	Telephone Friendship for Older Veterans	Age UK will continue to support older veterans, their families and carers with one-to-one telephone friendship and veteran-to-veteran group friendship calls. The project will help those older veterans that are lacking confidence, isolated and lonely than ever due to extended lockdowns, shielding and separation from their families.	£76,296.00

HORSEBACK UK LIMITED	Military Recovery Project	The HorseBack UK Military Recovery Project has received a grant to support their work with veterans suffering from life-changing injuries. Funding will support a six-month programme includes horsemanship, rural skills and the outdoors to encourage participants to acquire new coping strategies, life-skills and resilience whilst gaining nationally recognised awards and qualifications.	£50,000.00
Invictus Games Foundation	Invictus Endeavours	The Invictus Games Foundation will continue to support wounded, injured and sick servicemen and women through innovative sports recovery and adventurous challenge. Support of the Invictus Endeavours project will continue to provide greater opportunities and even more support to this community, turning innovative physical challenge ideas into a reality.	£100,000.00
Mesothelioma UK	Supporting our Armed Forces	This grant will enable the organisation to continue their work supporting veterans affected by Mesothelioma, which is a type of cancer.	£100,000.00
Royal British Legion Industries	Lifeworks Employability Programme	RBLI received a grant to support their 'LifeWorks employability programme'. This established project will underpin face to face delivery and develop online resources and support for veterans. RBLI will support 550 veterans across the UK with 12 months of support. RBLI aims to find paid employment opportunities for 50% at the end of this period.	£88,500.00
Spinal Injuries Association	Supporting spinal cord injured veterans	A grant was awarded to the Spinal Injuries Association to enable them to continue their project that provides information, support and advocacy to spinal cord injured people and their families from the Armed Forces through their Support Network, connecting them to specialist services including, peer support, clinical advocacy, and peer-led counselling as well as linking them to a network of partners.	£30,000.00
Supporting Wounded Veterans Ltd.	Injured Veterans' Employment and Mentoring	The grant will enable the project to continue providing support to veterans. The project has experienced an increase in activity due to additional pressures due to Covid-19.	£100,000.00
The Warrior Programme	The Veterans and Families Programme	Since the advent of the pandemic, Warrior has seen a rise in the demand for services, especially from veterans and their families; and a reduction in funding from various sources. This funding will enable the organisation to continue the work the The Warrior Programme already carries out.	£100,000.00
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