

**Grants awarded under the Veterans' Career Development Fund 2023/24 – March 2024**

**11 grants totalling £700,000**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Grant Amount (£)</b>	<b>Project Description</b>
<b>England</b>			
Wings For Warriors	Flight school for WIS Veterans	£70,000	This project will fund a chief flying instructor who will train wounded, injured and sick (WIS) Veterans as professional pilots in collaboration with supportive airline employers. The project will create more employment, volunteer, rehabilitation, and skills development opportunities in the process.
University of Hull	Hull Veterans Career Transition Accelerator	£70,000	The ten-week Veterans Career Transition Accelerator training programme equips Veterans and their families to realise and advance their skills, supporting them in identifying suitable opportunities for fulfilling careers. It also provides a foundation in preparation for entering the workforce outside of the Armed Forces.
Burnley FC in the Community	Beyond the Barracks	£69,800	Burnley FC in the Community will offer targeted employability support to Veterans and their families in the Burnley and Pendle area. They will create a bespoke programme delivering employability support, volunteering training and additional qualifications to help enhance beneficiaries' personal profiles and job opportunities in environments including sport.
Highground Projects Ltd	Ladies into land-based	£70,000	This project will focus on helping Female Veterans by introducing them to the land-based sector and guiding them towards a recognised qualification Level 3 Award in Education and Training (AET) which will enable them to secure stable, long-term employment where their military skills and experience are used and appreciated.

Hull FC Community Foundation	Set of Six	£62,688	Set of Six is a progressive employability pathway focused on empowering older Veterans (aged 50+) and families with the skills, confidence and knowledge to re-enter the workforce. Developed in collaboration with Humber Learning Consortium, the project comprises accredited qualifications, bespoke life skill support, work placements and targeted one-to-one support.
Veterans into Logistics	Holistic HGV Pathway into Employment	£67,122	Veterans into Logistics assists Veterans who need support with life-skills and training into stable, long-term employment through funded HGV driver training into employment with a network of logistics partners including Asda and Muller. Support is available for all Veterans in need; particularly Early Service Leavers and Veterans struggling through underutilisation or convictions.
RBLI	RBLI Lifeworks Families	£60,000	Lifeworks Families will support spouses, partners and families of service leavers and Veterans to gain work via employability training. Support will be offered to: identify potential future employment sectors, improve confidence and gain skills through mock interviews, and gain relevant Continuous Professional Development qualifications.
The Royal Marines Association	Early Service Leavers Support	£48,000	This project seeks to target Veterans particularly Early Service Leavers, those who have been medically discharged or from challenging and disadvantaged backgrounds. Offering bespoke support, the project will ensure the best possible outcomes from transition, whilst identifying and supporting training to secure meaningful and successful future career prospects; and work collaboratively with wider transition support.

Recruit for Spouses Academy C.I.C	Leadership Programme for Female Veterans	£42,390	This project will empower and support female Veterans in their transition to civilian careers by providing a bespoke leadership career coaching programme, leveraging RFS Careers Academy's extensive network across industries, whilst enabling them to attain a formal qualification.
<b>Wales</b>			
Bridgend College	T.E.A.C.H Programme	£70,000	The Project will deliver a bespoke Career Development and Health Wellbeing Education programme for Veterans and their immediate families with a pathway into Education, Training and Assessing roles across Wales. The focus will be on transferring the skills and experience gained within the education sector, whilst serving in our Armed Forces.
<b>Scotland</b>			
BRAVEHOUND	Veteran Dog Trainer Project	£70,000	BRAVEHOUND's Veteran Dog Trainer Project gives Veterans opportunities to gain experience, confidence and accreditation. Transferring valuable skills gained during military service and developing new dog trainer skills, including City and Guilds qualifications. This will lead to stable, long-term employment benefiting the economy, wider community as well as the Veteran themselves.
	<b>Total awarded:</b>	<b>£700,000</b>	