

Apart, **not alone**

FAQs 2024/25

Support for serving families
facing long or frequent periods
of involuntary separation



The Armed Forces Covenant Fund
Apart Not Alone: Support for Serving Families programme 2024/25
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Does my project need to achieve all five outcomes?

No. Your project only needs to address one of the outcomes however, you can address more than one outcome, if it is appropriate to your project; it meets the needs of your intended beneficiaries, and your chosen outcome/s.

Who will benefit under this programme?

Your project must clearly benefit currently Serving Armed Forces families, which includes Reservists & other personnel recognised under the Covenant such as RFA (Royal Fleet Auxiliary) who have served on a civilian vessel while it was supporting HM Armed Forces.

We predominantly support only one of the Services due to our location, is this, ok?

Yes, your project can support beneficiaries from predominantly one Service as long as you meet at least one of the programme outcomes and clearly evidence need. The programme also welcomes applications from across the tri-service.

Can we use funds for individual support grants to meet specific needs?

No, Trust funds cannot be used for the benefit of only one person, or for making grants or donations of money or items of value to individuals or families. Please refer to the programme guidance for further information on how funding can and cannot be used.

We are a Community Interest Company (CIC) who has not worked with Service families, can we still apply?

To apply for this programme, you will need to provide evidence that Armed Forces families or Serving personnel is a significant and regular part of your existing work, if the governing documents of your organisation do not state that you specifically work with people from Armed Forces communities, you may not meet the eligibility criteria for this programme. However, you may be able to form a partnership with another CIC or Charity that meets these criteria.

There is more information about partnerships and eligible organisations in our programme guidance.

We have an existing project, which we think will meet one of the programme outcomes, can we apply for funding under this programme?

Yes. You can apply for funding for continuation of your project, as long as you can evidence a clear benefit and show that Service families have helped to inform your project, and the project meets at least one of the programme outcomes.