

Funded Partner Programme Multi-year Funding Awards – 2023

Organisation	Awarded	Description
Gloucestershire Deaf Association	£150,000 Unrestricted	The Gloucester Deaf Association provides essential support for deaf, hard of hearing and deafened people across Gloucestershire. Core funding will support organisational development and strategy.
Access Social Care	£150,000 Unrestricted	Access Social Care provides free legal advice to people with social care needs to access the support they are entitled to. Through their partnership with Barnwood they are embedding their model in Gloucestershire working with partners and technology to ensure more people are aware of and can access their rights.

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Cotswold Counselling	£150,000 Unrestricted	Cotswold Counselling provides affordable counselling service for people in Gloucestershire. The funding will be used towards ensuring sufficient staff and space, alongside the appropriate level of training for their volunteer/student counsellors.
The Reanella Trust	£30,000 Unrestricted	The Reanella Trust delivers targeted mental health support to young individuals aged 16-25 within disadvantaged and marginalised communities, including accessible, culturally sensitive counselling services, digital support platforms, and educational resources that foster emotional resilience.
Creative Sustainability	£150,000 Unrestricted	Funding towards Creative Sustainability's 3rd Space Youth Community Hub, providing prevention, intervention and activities to support mental, emotional and physical health and wellbeing for young people aged 16-25 with additional needs.

James Hopkins Trust	£150,000 Unrestricted	James Hopkins Trust provide nursing and respite care for Gloucestershire's life-limited & life-threatened young children. The funding will support nursing staff to ensure families have access to consistent and flexible nursing care.
Crossroads Gloucestershire	£90,000 Unrestricted	The funding contributes to transport, venue hire and staff salaries for Active Living groups, connecting ageing and disabled people to social support and activities.
Toucan for Children	£150,000 Unrestricted	Toucan for Children deliver play therapy for children between 3 and 13 years old who are experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, mental health difficulties. Funding will be used for core salaries and organisational development to strengthen provision to meet demand.
Parent Carer Alliance	£150,000 Unrestricted	Parent Carer Alliance works to ensure that families in Gloucestershire with children and young people who have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) are recognised and supported, better prepared and informed, feel less isolated and are empowered to be effective advocates for their children. Funding from the Barnwood Trust supports the salary of the Director and technology and HR support.
Crossroads Care Gloucestershire	£150,000 Unrestricted	Crossroads Care provides support for carers, including providing care at home and in day clubs to allow for respite breaks. The funding covers staff roles to allow them to develop their care at home service and Azalea day clubs to support more disabled people and their carers.
Guideposts Trust Ltd	£133,855 Unrestricted	Funding to extend and deliver Guidepost Skills Academy, providing nationally approved courses to help people with disabilities acquire essential life skills, while enhancing their confidence and independence.
Insight Gloucestershire	£150,000 Unrestricted	Insight Gloucestershire provides support for blind and partially sighted people across the county. Unrestricted funding will be used to enhance their services, develop their funding strategy and increase lived-experience representation.

Reconnect Gloucestershire	£149,711 Unrestricted	Reconnect Gloucestershire provide support across Gloucestershire to people affected by long-term health conditions and disabilities. The funding supports capacity building, allowing the organisation to expand its peer befriending initiatives, group-led activities and to foster more inclusive spaces to enable service users to shape their work and have their voices heard.
Heart Heroes (I Can)	£150,000 Unrestricted	Heart Heroes supports children living with a life-limiting or life-threatening heart condition and their families. The funding supports the continuation of the I Can programme, providing a range of activities, including play therapy, for children and their families.
Inclusion Gloucestershire	£149,827 Unrestricted	Funding for Disabled People's Organisation (DPO) Inclusion Gloucestershire to develop its research and influencing function, to hear, represent and amplify the voices of disabled people in the country.
GL11	£150,000 Unrestricted	Core funding to support the codesign, with disabled people and people with mental health conditions, of a range of activities and services which improve health and wellbeing, reduce isolation, increase employability, bring people together and provide a safe inclusive community space
Wiggly Charity	£48,965 Project	The Wiggly Charity provides free cookery tuition and food education to vulnerable, disadvantaged, or disabled adults and children. Funding is to support and deliver their services through a programme of inclusive cookery classes, known as the Wiggly Welcome Kitchen.
Community Connexions	£100,000 Project	Community Connexions provides transport options for local communities in Gloucestershire supporting elderly people, vulnerable people and disabled people who encounter difficulties with travel. Funding will focus on staff and volunteer training, co-design and supporting people to access leisure and social opportunities.

Centred Horseplay	£69,000 Project	Centred Horseplay supports children and young people in Gloucestershire who face significant mental health challenges through equine-assisted therapy. Core funding will be used for the CEO's salary for three years to continue and expand their work.
Clean Slate Training and Employment	£99,372 Project	Funding to continue and develop drop-in services across the Stroud District, supporting those on low incomes who have a mental health condition and/or disability, with money management, employment and digital skills.
The Music Works	£100,000 Project	The Music Works specialises in working with young people facing barriers in music, in learning and in life and looks to create opportunities for young people across the county. Their Music for All programme support d/Deaf and disabled young people and young people with mental health conditions to develop their confidence and skills through music.
The Stroud Subscription Rooms	£55,824 Project	Funding towards a range of activities to support disabled people and people with mental health conditions to engage with this cultural centre, including supported attendance at live events, work experience and volunteer opportunities.
The Family Haven	£99,000 Project	Funding to mitigate the impact of mental health conditions on some of Gloucestershire's most vulnerable and disadvantaged families, combining tailored support for parents with direct, practical and emotional support to their early-years children.
Quarry Chapel	£99,905 Project	Quarry Chapel provides creative and well-being events, workshops, and regular services for the community with a focus on children and young people struggling with anxiety, trauma and school non-attendance, supporting them to build confidence and engage with additional support.

Gloucestershire Academy of Music	£99,666 Project	The Gloucester Dementia Choir provides weekly choir sessions for people with dementia and their carers. As well as expanding their weekly sessions, the funding will increase public performance opportunities through concerts and local festivals, showcase the group's achievements and challenge perceptions about dementia.
Cheltenham Festivals	£100,000 Project	Funding to improve accessibility across four cultural festivals, including physical adaptations, signed and captioned performances, relaxed performances, digital accessibility, outreach and programming.
Home Start North and West	£84,717 Project	Home-Start North and West's funding supports its 'Mothers in Mind' project, providing a supportive community for mothers struggling with mental health conditions, particularly during the perinatal period.
Move More FPF2	£99,845 Project	Funding for a Head of SEND role to create new opportunities that enable children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities to be physically active across Gloucestershire.
The Venture	£100,000 Project	Funding to deliver free, open access Pop Up Play Days for children, young people, and families during all school holidays, where 85% of attendees are expected to have special educational needs (SEN), mental health conditions, or disabilities.

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Sailability@ Whitefriars	£95,799 Project	Sailability provide the facilities, support, and boats to allow people with almost any disability to get sailing. Support from Barnwood will contribute to their core costs, including improving evaluation and monitoring to capture the progression their

		sailors make and allowing more disabled people to experience the freedom of open water.
Goals Beyond Grass	£142,659 Unrestricted	Funding to further develop and expand their Inclusive cycling and PAN football provision, providing more opportunities for disabled people to get involved in sport.
Headway Gloucestershire	£149,800 Unrestricted	Headway Gloucestershire supports the rehabilitation of people with acquired brain injury. Funding will develop the 'Enablement in the Community' service, offering services in up to five new venues and allowing up to 50 additional people each week to access rehabilitation closer to their home.
Newent Association for the Disabled	£150,000 Unrestricted	A partnership bid between Newent Association for the Disabled and Lydney Dial-a-Ride to improving access to essential transport services. The funding will support the recruitment of an Outreach and Engagement Manager who will work directly with disabled individuals to ensure transport services are designed around their needs.
Age UK Gloucestershire	£147,088 Unrestricted	Funding to develop Age UK Gloucestershire's advocacy, awareness raising and support activities for those affected by dementia including those age 50+ awaiting a dementia diagnosis or having recently received a diagnosis, as well as support their families and carers.
Building Circles	£150,000 Unrestricted	Unrestricted funding to engage in an organisational development plan; developing capacity to deliver a new training service in Gloucestershire for care providers centred on abuse prevention, co-produced with people with lived experience of learning disabilities.
The Door	£150,000 Unrestricted	The Door Youth Project work with young people aged 11 – 25, with a focus on those facing significant challenges or difficulties, including complex mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, eating disorders, self-harm and suicidal ideation. Funding is to develop and improve their services.

Sunflowers Suicide Support	£150,000 Unrestricted	Unrestricted funding to support a bespoke, needs-led service for people affected by suicide, including community training and awareness programs.
Let's Talk Well	£100,000 Project	Let's Talk Well provides counselling and support for young people across Gloucestershire. The funding will support a new Youth Engagement & Outreach Officer to raise awareness of available support, build community partnerships, and recruit diverse young people to join the charity's Young People's Voice Group, supporting young people, particularly those in underrepresented communities, to access and shape the mental health services they need.
Westonbirt Arboretum	£66,000 Project	Funding to develop programming for disabled people and people with mental health conditions at the arboretum. Activities are targeted according to participants' stated interests and capacity, including learning new skills, taking risks safely, using natural materials, traditional woodland management skills, mindfulness, and campfire cooking.

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Allsorts	£150,000 Unrestricted	Allsorts delivers services in Stroud and across Gloucestershire, including specialist swimming, for children with physical disabilities, learning disabilities, autism, and life-limiting conditions. Funding will secure the salaries of four senior leaders, enabling strategic focus on high-impact delivery, co-production, and long-term sustainability.
Parenting Empowered	£114,000 Unrestricted	PEAK supports neurodivergent children and their families, addressing widening gaps in education, care, and mental health provision. Funding will recruit paid Family Support

Autistic Kids (PEAK)		Consultants to meet rising demand and extend support to 200 more children each year through advocacy, training, and direct family support.
Gloucestershire Community Rail Partnership	£100,000 Project	GCRP will expand its work to increase travel confidence and inclusion for over 1,350 people, particularly disabled, rural, and minority groups. The project will deliver tailored training, group trips, peer networks, accessible resources, and advocacy in partnership with major local organisations to embed systemic change.
Fresh Hope	£99,952 Project	Funding will support a Cheltenham community venue assisting disabled people and people with mental health needs through work placements, activities, and signposting. It will sustain the Community Manager and Food Manager roles, enabling community-led groups and personalised work programmes in the café.
Gloucestershire Young Carers	£150,000 Unrestricted	GYC provides long-term, tailored support for young carers aged 8–24, including assessments, one-to-one guidance, referrals, respite groups, mental health and health courses, career support, activities, and youth voice opportunities. Over three years, they aim to support 2,000 young carers.
TwoCan Inclusive Theatre	£150,000 Unrestricted	Through <i>Centre Stage – Leading Change Through Creativity</i> , TwoCan will train disabled adults as access consultants, creative facilitators, and emerging artists. Participants will work with arts venues to improve accessibility and deliver public performances that challenge perceptions of disability.
Viv Gordon Company	£150,000 Unrestricted	Viv Gordon Company uses arts-based programmes to build skills, confidence, and community, and to drive long-term systemic change for survivors of childhood sexual abuse. This co-created three-year Gloucestershire programme will provide safe spaces, reduce stigma, build leadership, and support advocacy, reaching 30–40 participants through 15 events/projects, with 75% expected to feel less isolated and more empowered.

Hill House Retreats	£30,000 Project	Funding will sustain a part-time Development Worker to coordinate nature-based and creative respite retreats for asylum seekers, refugees, and survivors of trafficking or torture. The programme will deliver up to 10 day-retreats, three residentials, and five community events each year, reaching around 100 direct beneficiaries and 300 wider community members.
Listening Post	£148,850 Unrestricted	Listening Post provides “pay-what-you-can” talking therapy, supporting around 400 people annually with over 7,000 counselling sessions. Funding will strengthen organisational stability by raising salaries to sector-appropriate levels, restructuring roles to build capacity, expanding rural provision, and adding 18 weekly hours of counselling for complex needs.
Forest Voluntary Action Forum	£100,000 Project	This project will deliver Phase 2 of a community-led mental health initiative across the Forest of Dean. It will transform four community spaces into inclusive environments co-designed with people with lived experience, train Lived Experience Practitioners, establish peer networks, and provide staff training, resources, and governance frameworks to embed best practice and influence wider mental health policy.
Can't Sit Still	£98,930 Project	Funding will deliver creative, neuro-affirmative programmes helping autistic young people transition from primary to secondary school. Co-designed by neurodivergent artists, families, and educators, the work aims to strengthen inclusion, confidence, and mental health, reduce school avoidance, and develop a scalable model for inclusive practice.
Cheltenham Wheelchair Rugby	£67,500 Unrestricted	Funding will support core costs for running the wheelchair rugby club, including coaching, venue hire, travel, insurance, league fees, and volunteer expenses. The club will offer training and competition opportunities for beginners and experienced players, improving health, wellbeing, social connection, and volunteering.

Funded Partner Programme Multi-year Funding Awards – 2026

Organisation	Awarded	Description
GARAS	£100000	Funding to expand Therapy and Advocacy team by increasing the clinical lead's hours, enhancing sustainability, reducing staff burnout, and boosting capacity to address safeguarding. This will enable trauma-informed, culturally sensitive therapy in clients' native languages for refugees and asylum seekers with disabilities and mental health needs.
MSA Trust	£62123	With funding, the MSA Trust will provide specialist nurse-led advice, welfare support, MSA-specific counselling, peer-led groups, and voice banking across Gloucestershire, enabling people with MSA to manage complex physical symptoms, emotional challenges, secure welfare rights, and stay actively involved in their communities.
Ever Cloud Play Therapy	£150000	Funding will provide specialist mental health support while strengthening professional practice around CY&P with mental health conditions and disabilities, ensuring those ineligible for statutory funding have equitable opportunity, can access their rights, and are fully included in their communities
Home Start Stroud & Gloucester	£150000	Funding to enhance early mental health support for parents of young children, addressing rising needs—especially among 5–11-year-olds. Funding will expand mental health initiatives, including a

		new Mental Health Coordinator role, which will embed best practices, train staff and volunteers, and deliver targeted support like Mothers in Mind.
Cirencester Food bank	£85949	Funding to expand financial inclusion (FI) support for hard-hit individuals in South Cotswolds, many facing disability and mental health challenges. This will improve access to advice, reduce financial distress, and make services more inclusive and trauma-informed.
Wyldwood Arts	£96452	With funding Wyldwood will deliver core aspects of two programmes of work across three years: Wyldwood Rising and Wyldwood Wagon Tour. Focusing disability-led art and increasing access to high-quality participatory arts for disabled people in the Forest of Dean.
The Churn	£150000	To deliver community-based mental health and disability support through connected, flexible services. These include one-to-one support, dementia, SEND parenting, perinatal, mental health programs, and accessible activities—aimed at reducing isolation, building routines, and fostering resilience. Targeted services address complex needs, while volunteering, mentoring, and training help build confidence and skills.
Cheltenham Housing Aid	£99510	To fund a housing advice worker for vulnerable individuals. To provide advice in person, by phone, or email, tailored to clients' needs, and work with them until their housing issues are resolved.

		The goals are to re-house the homeless or those in unsuitable housing, improve conditions for current tenants, and prevent eviction due to issues like rent arrears
Gloucestershire Nightstop	£100000	To create safe spaces where homeless and at-risk young people including those experiencing mental ill health can stabilise and plan. Through advocacy, research and education, we influence systems change to prevent homelessness and improve responses across Gloucestershire.
Gloucester Cathedral	£80059	To continue and expand the Gardening for Wellbeing programme and, in addition, create a new accessible, partially sensory garden, engaging and upskilling at least 75 children, young people and adults with EHCPs, SEN and additional needs each year.