Please read the guidance note before you prepare your application, which can be found [here on the Community Solutions website.](https://www.communitysolutionsnl.org.uk/community-solutions-thematic-fund-application-and-guidance/)

**Please complete your application electronically and submit by email to** Thematics@vanl.co.uk **no later than 5pm on Friday 4th April 2025.**

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| Section 1: Your organisation  |
| 1.1 Organisation Name  |  |
| 1.2 Contact name  |  |
| 1.3 Organisation Address (first line)  |  |
| 1.4 Postcode |  |
| 1.5 Telephone |  |
| 1.6 E-mail |  |
| 1.7 Website | **Optional** |
| 1.8 Social media  | **Optional** |
| 1.9 ALISS link | **Optional** |
| 1.10 Please identify the organisation type. | **Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations (SCIO)****Companies Limited by Guarantee****Trusts****Not-for-profit company or asset locked company or Community Interest Companies (CIC)****Cooperative and Community Benefit Societies ▪ Community councils** |
| 1.11 Are you applying to any other funding streams to deliver this work?  | **If yes, please list each fund applied to. Similarly highlight if the running of this project is dependent on success from multiple funders or if it can be solely delivered using the Thematic Funding if other applications are not successful.** |

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| **Section 2: Your project** |
| **2.1** **Project Name** **(15 words max)** |
| **Please provide a short name for your project which closely relates to your planned activities.** |
| **2.2 Please provide a description of your project. (No more than 450 words)** **Please give details such as:** * **Aims**
* **Beneficiary Groups**
* **Planned activities- such as capacity building, engagement work**
* **Staffing and Volunteers**
* **Anticipated Impact**
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| * **Aims**
* **Please Outline the Aims of your project**
* **Beneficiary Groups**
* **Outline the beneficiary groups your application aims to support. Please explain specifically how these groups will be supported through this project.**
* **Activities**
* **Outline the proposed activities of the project. These activities should be linked to the priority activities outlined in A.1.2**

* **Staffing and Volunteers**
* **Outline how staff and volunteers will be used through the proposed project.**

* **Anticipated Impact**
* **Outline how continuation of the project will impact the proposed beneficiary groups.**
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| **2.3 Is the above outlined approach a new form of volunteering or an expansion of an existing idea? If this is a new approach to volunteering, please outline the need for this approach. If this is based on an existing approach, please outline why this approach should be built on.** |
| **Please provide clear evidence for your approach.** |
| **2.4 Please indicate which of the six Health and Social Care NL locality/ies you will be delivering your project in?** (Please tick all that apply) |
| Airdrie [ ]  | Bellshill [ ]  | Coatbridge [ ]  | The North [ ]  | Motherwell [ ]  | Wishaw & Shotts [ ]  | NL Wide[ ]  |
| **2.4.1 Proposed start date** | **Must be after 01/07/2025** | **2.4.2 Proposed end date** | **Must be before 30/06/2026**  |
| 2.5 Will the need for this project continue beyond the proposed finish date? If yes, please tell us how you plan to sustain the work of the project once funding ends. No more than 150-200 words |
| **Please see section A.2.9 of the guidance note for some examples** |
| 2.6 Please tell us about the difference your project will make  |
| **2.6.1 What difference will your project make? i.e. your project outcome** | **2.6.2 Which Community Solutions outcome(s) does it relate to?** | 2.6.3 How many people will you make this difference for?**(Approximately)**  | **2.6.4 How will you know? What evidence will you collect to demonstrate this difference?****(see guidance note section A.2.11 for access to options 1 and 2)** |
|  | **Answers must come from the list provided in A.1.3** | Please provide the number of unique individuals who will be potentially supported through this outcome.  | **Answers must come from a valid evaluation method. ​Please see evaluation supports we have listed in A.2.11** |
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| **2.7 Please tell us how you know there is a need for this project. (No more than 300 words)** Please include how relevant stakeholders have been consulted to inform this project application, and how you will continue to involve them going forward. The list of groups attached to this application have been identified as harder to reach groups. With this in mind, please outline any prior engagement you’ve had with the community you wish to support and your engagement plans moving forward.  |
| **This can include:*** **Feedback from people supported by the project previously**
* **Feedback from volunteers/staff**
* **Key findings from reports sent to VANL in previous phases**
* **Feedback from partner organisations**

**We are looking for additional details for the demand of the project, this should reflect the need for the continuation of the project.** |
| **2.8 Please tell us about the volunteers that will be involved in this project.** |
| Number of volunteers (approx.) | **This should only be completed if you intend to use volunteers to deliver the project** | Number of estimated hours that volunteers will work | **This should only be completed if you intend to use volunteers to deliver the project** |
| Purpose/role of volunteers within this project (No more than 200 words) | **This should only be completed if you intend to use volunteers to deliver the project** |
| **Section 3: Bank Account and Funding** |
| **3.1 Bank account check****Please select the appropriate option below**. (If you do not have a bank account or access to a bank account, we will discuss arrangements with you should your application be successful.) |
| Organisation bank account [ ]  | Access to a third-party bank account [ ]  | No bank account or access to a third-party bank account [ ]  |
| **3.2 Please tell us how this funding will be used.** |
| **Item** | **Description** | **Cost** |
| Staffing costs (include gross pay costs and employer NI and pension costs) Please indicate if this is for new or existing staff. | **Staffing Costs directly linked to the delivery of the application activities** | **£** |
| Volunteer costs (e.g. recruitment and training) | **Volunteer costs such as training or volunteer food provisions** | **£** |
| Equipment (e.g. ICT needed to support the project) | **Equipment and resources to be used within the applications activity** | **£** |
| Staff and Volunteer travel expenses | **Expenses for staff or volunteers delivering the activity** | **£** |
| Other costs (Please specify each item and show a cost for each item. Please add more rows if needed.) | **Organisations can apply for up to £5,000 within their application to be spent on capital purchases such as:*** **Construction**
* **Refurbishments and/or purchase of building**
* **Amenities**
* **Vehicles**

**This spend must be justified in section 2.3** | **£** |
| **Subtotal funding requested** |  |
| Organisational Overhead Costs (Please detail all costs e.g. rent; management costs, etc. which should be no more than 10% of total funding applied for.) | **Overhead costs for the project such as rent and a proportion of the management cost to support delivery of the project and to support evaluation.** |  |
| **Total funding requested** | **£** |
| **3.3 Is the funding applied for sufficient to cover the full costs described here?**  |
| Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| **3.3.1 If no, please indicate from the list here any additional resources your project will require to support delivery in addition to this award.** **Please tick all that apply.****Please provide more detail in the space below.** | [ ]  ​ Additional/Match Funding from another source. Please specify amount required and whether you have applied for this to date. ​[ ]  In kind support. e.g. premises costs, staff support ​[ ]  Volunteer time to deliver project. ​[ ]  Other. Please specify  |
| **Please provide more details in the space below.** |
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| **3.4 Can you confirm your project will be paying at least real living wage and support other Fair Work principles? (See section A.2.6 of the fund guidance note)** |
| Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| Section 4: Authorisation |
| **GDPR Statement – please read** By signing this proposal, you consent to part or all of the information you supply being stored on a computer and to it being used for the administration of the funding applications. Copies of this information may be provided to individuals or partner organisations that are helping us assess applications.Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire – which manages the Community Solutions Programme - may share information with other grant funders and partner agencies to help prevent fraudulent applications and to co-ordinate the process of complementary applications. |
| **Name** |  |
| **Position in Organisation** |  |
| **Date** |  |
| **Signature** |  |