

Social Prescribing Grant Fund Criteria

Research shows that by boosting participation in the arts and group physical activity, we can meet major challenges facing health and social care while also decreasing the long-term cost for these services. The Government of Jersey Social Prescribing Project seeks to encourage participation in the arts and group physical activity across the Jersey community. Through this participation, we hope to support our recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic as well as longer, better lives more generally.

In support of these aims, the Government of Jersey has established a fund to provide grants of up to £5,000 to projects supporting the arts and group physical activity in Jersey. The initial allocation for this fund is £150,000. Bids will be measured against the four project objectives as established in the approved project business case. These are:

1. To engage a large cross section of the Jersey community in arts and/or physical activity aimed at enhancing sustainable wellbeing over the next two years.
2. To increase participation in the arts and/or group physical activity across the whole population and especially amongst groups who have been most impacted by the pandemic over the last two years.
3. To provide a means for Government to progress towards the delivery of the strategic objectives outlined in the Common Strategic Policy, Government Plan, Jersey Care Model, Arts Strategy, Heritage Strategy and Inspiring an Active Jersey Strategy.
4. To stimulate the creative economy by providing coordinated work for creatives and arts practitioners.

A panel will assess bids and award funding to projects deemed to most effectively achieve the above objectives. Bids are to be submitted by reputable organisations through the established application process. Please complete the application and submit the form, along with any supporting documents, to connectme@gov.je.

Applications will include information about how the project meets the Social Prescribing objectives as well as pertinent information regarding project planning and structure (a project plan, budget forecast, etc). The panel will aim to maximise the impact and value of the overall grant fund through their decisions, considering each project individually as well as the grant fund as a whole.