



West Midlands Social Enterprise Grant Now Open

Social Enterprise Boost Fund Opens Grant Fund

The West Midlands Social Enterprise Boost Fund (SEBFWestMids) is pleased to announce the opening of its grant funding scheme to support the development of social entrepreneurs in Wolverhampton and Sandwell.

This exciting opportunity aims to support a wide range of social entrepreneurs with businesses that foster positive change and make a meaningful impact on the lives of individuals.

This funding recognises the crucial role that innovative and sustainable social enterprises play in shaping a brighter future for all by offering a range of support comprising of two modular programmes:

- FUSE - 12-week intensive support programme for social enterprise (SE) start-ups
- SE MOT - 4-week programme of support for early-stage SE's wishing to develop and grow

The grant scheme will be open from 7th August, and provides a significant opportunity for social entrepreneurs to bring their ideas to life.


A grant selection committee will carefully review each application based on scored criteria. To be considered for a grant award social enterprises:

- **Must** be based in Wolverhampton or Sandwell and/or conduct most of its activities in one or both of those areas
- **Must** have a bank account
- **Must** provide evidence of income and expenditure for the previous year if it has been operating for more than 12 months

Applicants can submit multiple applications throughout the duration of the grant with a maximum total grant amount from the fund of £10,000.

Paula McHugh, Joint Project Manager, iSE - "We are excited to open the doors for Social Enterprises to take their innovative ideas and projects to the next level, through this grant funding program, we hope to contribute to the growth and sustainability of social enterprises, enabling them to create a lasting and positive impact on local communities".

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