

## London Together Funding Programme

### Frequently Asked Questions

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We hope you find the following information useful.

These frequently asked questions apply to London Together funding opportunity, which is open for applications until 12pm noon GMT on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

To improve your chances of having a successful proposal, please also read the following:

- The criteria for London Together can be found here: <https://www.comicrelief.com/funding/funding-opportunities/london-together/>
- The guidance for applying to London Together can be found here: [Guidance](#)
- More detail about our eligibility criteria: <https://www.comicrelief.com/funding/eligibility-criteria>
- How our application process works: <https://www.comicrelief.com/funding/application-process>

If you have any other questions, please send them to [grantsinfo@comicrelief.com](mailto:grantsinfo@comicrelief.com).

#### Eligibility

##### **What is the minimum and maximum annual income organisations need to apply for this funding?**

£75,000 minimum, £10 million maximum

##### **Is there an age criteria for beneficiaries of the funding?**

There is no set target group for this fund.

##### **Which countries does this funding apply to?**

The funding is for organisations delivering projects in London only. A map of eligible locations can be found [here](#).

##### **Can we send more than one proposal?**

To give as many organisations as fair a chance as possible, you can only submit one proposal to the London Together funding programme (though you can be named as a partner on any number of applications). Please be aware that we will never read more than one proposal per organisation.

### **Which sports will you consider?**

We will fund all sports and physical activity under the London Together funding programme if it fits our definition of sport for change. You will need to tell us why you have chosen the sport/physical activity and how it will bring about change.

### **My project is working towards both programme aims, is this eligible?**

Yes, you must be working towards one of the programme aims, but we recognise some projects may meet both aims.

## Funding

### **How much funding can we apply for?**

We will fund investments from £25,000 to £150,000.

### **How long will the funding last?**

Funding is available for a minimum of 12 months to a maximum of 18 months

### **Can we apply for funding of core costs?**

London Together will fund project costs, not core costs. We encourage you to include full cost recovery (contribution to overheads) within project costs.

### **Do you fund capital costs?**

Comic Relief will not support capital costs over 25% of the total funding request. However, whilst the limit for permitted capital costs is 25%, we would need to see a strong justification for the need for the proposed capital costs in the application. Please note that you are required to demonstrate how this requested capital cost will enhance the delivery of the project you are proposing.

### **What will Comic Relief not support with this funding?**

- General infrastructure support
- Work that primarily benefits one individual
- Repayment of debt
- Redundancy costs
- Contribution to reserves
- We cannot fund projects which aim only to increase participation in sport, projects aiming to develop sporting excellence, individual athletes or sports teams or one-off sporting events. Refurbishment, upgrades to playing surfaces, or any other capital works associated with sporting provision will also not be funded.

### **Can we apply for any amount between £25,000-£150,000?**

The requested amount must be proportionate to the annual income of your organisation, and this will be looked at as part of the assessment process. Comic Relief funding can't exceed 40% of your total annual income in any given year. For more information, please see our [website](#)

### Proposal

#### **What will our application be assessed on?**

We assess applications based on context, the approach to change and fit to fund priorities.

#### **What is the deadline for applications to London Together?**

12pm noon GMT on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Please note that applications submitted after this time will not be considered.

#### **I have finished my application but section 4 says it is only 97% complete, what am I missing?**

On our application form, section 4 (your organisation), will only ever reach 97% complete, this is because the system always wants you to add an additional board member. Therefore, please submit your application with section 4 on 97% as long as all other sections are on 100%.

### Project start date

#### **Can you please clarify what the latest start date for a project could be if a successful with an application?**

We cannot give an exact date; however funding decisions will be made in August 2020, with first payments made in September. You must be able to submit a final report to us in June 2022

**When will a final report need to be submitted?**

June 2022.

Other

**Do you prefer to fund new work or existing projects?**

We like both tried and tested and new work –just tell us why you think it will work.

**Will London Together open again later this year?**

This is the third and final London Together funding round.

**Who should I contact if I have questions about applying to London Together?**

If you have any questions please contact [grantsinfo@comicrelief.com](mailto:grantsinfo@comicrelief.com)

Thank you for your interest, and good luck in your proposal development!

The Comic Relief Team