



# Royal Greenwich Ukraine Small Grants Programme

June 2022



# Welcome and Introductions

# Ground rules

- Time for questions at the end
- Please add your name/organisation to your zoom profile if possible
- Please mute yourself when not speaking
- Please use hand symbol or raise your hand to ask a question
- Please be respectful of others and mindful of the language you use both in what you say and put in the chat.

# Agenda for today

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Background and explanation of  
Royal Greenwich's Ukraine Small  
Grants Programme (25 minutes)



Question and Answer session  
(30 minutes)



Next steps (5 minutes)

# Background

- The invasion of Ukraine by Russia has created a humanitarian crisis.
- Immediate needs for support for Ukrainians arriving in Greenwich, and the families supporting them, include physical and mental health support; access to benefits, education and care services.
- Families may also need support in terms of employment, housing advice, establishing bank and utility accounts and learning English.
- To provide this immediate support; Big Red Kick have been commissioned for the next six months to deliver a borough-wide Ukrainian language signposting and referral programme, which will assess the needs of Ukrainians arriving and undertake case work and advocacy as required. Big Red Kick has significant historical and existing links with the Ukrainian community.
- A partnership Ukrainian Advisory Group will be established by Big Red Kick to bring support organisations together, and a Ukrainian Users Steering Group to help shape the support offer.

# New funding – RBG Ukraine Small Grants

- Further funding to support local voluntary and community organisations who are working to help Ukrainian refugees in the borough
- This funding, provided through the Government's 'Homes for Ukraine Scheme', will further enable these organisations to meet the short term, specific needs of Ukrainians, and the local families who are supporting them, as well as being a bridge to longer term resettlement plans.
- We are inviting organisations who are working with and supporting Ukrainian families to meet their needs to apply for this one-off grant.
- Grants will be awarded for activity delivered over a period of six to twelve months from September 2022, and can be from £1,000 up to a maximum of **£9,999**.
- We ask that all applicants agree to taking part in an evaluation as a requirement of the funding.
- There are existing Council resources to support refugees and asylum seekers more generally, through the Nil Recourse Team and funding for the Advice Hubs. In addition, there is a new voluntary sector grants programme that will be launched over the next few months, and organisations that support refugees, asylum seekers and migrants will be able to apply through this programme.

# What's the funding for?

## Possible areas for funding include:

Peer support

Mental health support

Short term expansion of core, existing services

Reducing isolation of older people

Support to maintain placements and reduce homeless presentation

Reducing isolation of young people

Interpretation and supported communication services

Activities to bring families together

# Expectations of funded organisations

## **Organisations who are successful in receiving funding will be expected to:**

- Signpost displaced Ukrainians to Ukrainian Support Greenwich (delivered by Big Red Kick)
- Participate actively in the partnership Ukrainian Advisory Group, providing expert/lived experience insight, and cultural and communication input to support statutory and voluntary agency service design and response.
- Identify changing and future support needs of Ukrainians forcibly displaced and Ukrainian residents; advocating to statutory agencies and sharing learning, through the Ukrainian Advisory Group
- Disseminate resources about local and London support offers, including specialist mental health and trauma services, culturally competent mental health services, and sharing with statutory agencies.
- Work in partnership with other voluntary and statutory agencies involved to avoid duplication of support to maximise impact.
- If concerned about the safety of new arrivals and host families, raise safeguarding alerts to RBG, in line with your organisation's safeguarding policies.



# Who can apply?

## To be eligible for the funding, organisations will need to:

- Be based in the Royal Borough of Greenwich, working to support Ukrainians who have been forcibly displaced and the families and households supporting them in the borough
- Be an established not-for-profit organisation (a charity, including groups applying for charitable status, a social enterprise, or a company limited by guarantee with charitable aims and objectives)
- Have a bank account that can receive payment from the Royal Borough of Greenwich
- Have up to date policies in relation to employment, safeguarding and equalities and diversity
- Be encouraged to become a London Living wage employer
- Not be affiliated to any political party
- Sign up to the Royal Greenwich Equality and Equity Charter

# What you can't apply for

- Activities that charge a fee to the general public
- Items which only benefit individuals e.g. bursaries and equipment that is not shared
- Activities promoting political activities or religious belief
- Fundraising activities
- Activity that has already happened. Funding cannot be used retrospectively to pay for things that have already been delivered, however you can use it to fund further provision of activities you have delivered previously.
- Extending activity that is already funded through contracts by RBG (e.g. an advice drop-in already funded) however you can apply for funding for additional staff e.g. Ukrainian speaking case or advice workers to meet new, additional needs.
- Funding intended to support the donation and collection of goods and money for transport to Ukraine and neighbouring countries.
- This funding is not to provide cash directly to Ukrainians forcibly displaced

# Due Diligence

- There are some key documents needed to ensure that you and the people who take part in your project are kept safe and that the process for managing the funds has the appropriate safeguards.
- Relevant policies, indemnities, risk assessments and DBS verification etc. will be required as part of your application.
- We will be verifying the credentials of all organisations
- You will need to state any conflicts of interest i.e. if you are related to or have a business interest/partnership with either a member of Royal Borough of Greenwich Cabinet or Officers/Staff.

# How to apply?

- Applications are now open : [royalgreenwich.gov.uk/ukraine\\_small\\_grants\\_programme](https://royalgreenwich.gov.uk/ukraine_small_grants_programme)
- Deadline for applications: **5pm Monday 11th July 2022**
- Apply by emailing the word application form to us: [Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)
- If you have any issues completing the form or require an alternative format, please contact [Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)
- Advice on completing the grant application available via the email above and from METRO GAVS via [gavs@metrocharity.org.uk](mailto:gavs@metrocharity.org.uk)
- Support for bid writing if you have an annual turnover of £75,000 or less is also available. Please contact [Rachel.Akindele@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Rachel.Akindele@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

# Evaluation of bids – what you need to address in your proposal

- **Needs** – project clearly identifies and describes needs for Ukrainian refugees and those supporting them and proposes plausible interventions/actions likely to address these needs.
- **Project Aims** – (including short and medium term objectives) are clearly defined, described, are relevant to the funding aims and achievable.
- **Project Details** – Key milestones demonstrate a planned approach, including potential risks/barriers. There is a proportionate monitoring and evaluation plan.
- **Engagement** – demonstrates awareness and willingness re working with relevant services and with Ukrainian refugees themselves; including history of working with Ukrainian people.
- **Project finance** – clear and costed budget and value for money demonstrated.

The Deputy Director of Adult Services will make the final decision as to which groups are funded.

# Timeline



**FURTHER SUPPORT**



**APPLICATIONS CLOSE:**  
MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
5PM



**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**  
AUGUST



**PAYMENT AND  
MOBILISATION:**  
SEPTEMBER



# Question and Answer session

## Next steps

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- Deadline for applications will be **5pm on Monday the 11th of July 2022**
- If you have any issues or further questions, please contact [Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)
- Advice on completing the grant application is available from [gavs@metrocharity.org.uk](mailto:gavs@metrocharity.org.uk) at METRO GAVS
- Support for bid writing if you have an annual turnover of £75,000 or less is also available. Please contact [Rachel.Akindele@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:Rachel.Akindele@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)