

Ukrainian Small Grants Programme

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Theme	Question	Answer
Funding	What support have Big Red Kick been funded to deliver?	<p>RBG have commissioned Big Red Kick 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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Funding	What is the Ukraine Small Grants funding for?	<p>This is further funding provided through the Government's 'Homes for Ukraine Scheme', to support local voluntary and community organisations who are working to help Ukrainian refugees in the borough.</p> <p>This 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.</p> <p>We are inviting organisations who are working with and supporting Ukrainian families to meet their needs to apply for this one-off grant.</p> <p>Possible areas for funding include Peer support; Support to maintain placements and reduce homeless presentation; Mental Health support; Interpretation and supported communication services; Short term expansion of core, existing services; Reducing isolation of young people; Reducing isolation for older people.</p>
Funding	What amount can be applied for?	A minimum of £1,000 up to a maximum of £9,999 will be awarded, for activity delivered over a period of six to twelve months from September 2022.
Eligibility	Who can apply?	<p>To be eligible for the funding, organisations will need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign up to the Royal Greenwich Equality and Equity Charter
Eligibility	How long does the project need to last? Is there any minimum number of sessions?	<p>Funding period is 6 to 12 months - number of sessions delivered will depend on your ability to do so within the funding envelope.</p> <p>More information and application details: https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/ukraine_small_grants_programme</p>
Eligibility	Is there a cap on the maximum amount of turnover an organisation has to apply?	There is no minimum or maximum, along as the applicant is a properly constituted organisation.
Eligibility	What if an organisation is not currently working with Ukrainian refugees and wants to do so? Can they still apply?	<p>The funding is primarily aimed at groups who are already working with Ukrainian refugees as they will be most aware of what their ongoing needs and issues are.</p> <p>However, if not currently working with Ukrainian Refugees, then we suggest groups/organisations engage with the Big Red Kick (see role description above). This includes bidding for any expansions of your current service to engage Ukrainians.</p>
Eligibility	My organisation currently supports another organisation that works with Ukrainian refugees. We now want to work directly with the Ukrainian refugees. Can we apply?	Yes. You will need to identify in your application how you have been working with Ukrainians through your partner organisation(s), how this has met the needs and therefore how you can deliver support to Ukrainian refugees based on that experience.

Eligibility	For organisations currently working with Ukrainian families, are you looking for organisations that are doing that extensively, significantly or partially?	<p>We are primarily looking for organisations that as part of their work are supporting Ukrainian families or are linked into organisations who do so.</p> <p>The evaluation criteria and specification in the application pack sets out how people can demonstrate the above.</p>
Eligibility	My organisation works with refugees from a range of countries including Ukraine. Is this okay in terms of applying?	<p>The funding is not for organisations that solely work with Ukrainians, although your application needs to outline how you are engaging with and identifying needs with Ukrainians and the support you can deliver to benefit them in relation to this.</p>
Eligibility	Do the participants only need to be Ukrainian?	<p>No, not solely. Projects can be extended to Ukrainians, or the number of places extended for activities for Ukrainians. If organisations currently have projects that do not have any Ukrainians but that they think would be relevant, then please engage with the Big Red Kick.</p>
Young people	How have young Greenwich been involved and how do we support young people to get involved in activities	<p>We recognise that there are particular support needs for children and young people coming to the UK as refugees. All the information has been shared with Young Greenwich and Children’s Services will be involved in the evaluation of the bids.</p> <p>If you would like to offer places for Ukrainian Children and Young Adults on your activities we suggest that you contact Big Red Kick for support to identify eligible people.</p>
Application	Will the application process have weighting for the extent to	<p>The application will ask for the number of estimated number of people that you plan to support.</p> <p>The evaluation criteria can be found at https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/ukraine_small_grants_programme</p>

	which organisations are working with Ukrainian families?	
Application	What can't be funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
Application	What do I need to address in my application?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
Application	What else do I need to include with my completed application form?	<p>To ensure you and the people who take part in your project/service are kept safe and that the process for managing funds has the appropriate safeguards, please include relevant policies, indemnities, risk assessments and DBS verification.</p> <p>We will be verifying the credentials of all organisations. You will also 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.</p>
Application Support	Support available with application?	<p>Applications are now open via this RBG webpage: royalgreenwich.gov.uk/ukraine_small_grants_programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please ensure you read the specification, evaluation criteria and conditions document before applying. • Please complete the application form (word document) and email this, along with relevant documents above to Ukraine-grants@royalgreenwich.gov.uk • 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 • Advice on completing the grant application is available from 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
Application decision	When will I hear if successful?	Award decisions will be made in August, with payment and mobilisation in September 2022.
Evaluation	Will there be an evaluation process?	We ask that all applicants agree to taking part in an evaluation as a requirement of the funding.