#### Mayor's Safer Communities Fund Grant Round 4 Project Descriptions

West Yorkshire Police - Homicide and Major Enquiry Team Improving WYP Service for Families of Victims of Homicide & Other Unnatural Death Across West Yorkshire £7,950.00

Working with the University of Bradford and Victim Support Homicide Service the project will develop learning packages to improve understanding by staff within West Yorkshire Police and partners of how to support the families of victims of homicide/unnatural death. This will be based on research around the experience of bereaved families, which will include workshops with officers around their experience of dealing with bereaved families, surveys of families who have experienced a murder/unnatural death and in person interviews, focussing on the specific circumstances of a family's loss, providing them with an opportunity to voice their experiences. The training packages will be produced based on these findings.

Karma Nirvana
Improve identification and protection of victims and survivors of Honour
Based Abuse
Across West Yorkshire
£8,000.00

Their project aims to create a digital checklist to identify Honour Based Abuse (HBA) by building upon their existing digital Police Risk Assessment, they will seek to develop an accessible online checklist that professionals and individuals concerned about potential HBA victimisation can utilise. The tool will provide guidance and support available anytime, day or night.

Talking Forward
Talking Forward Peer Support
Across West Yorkshire
£6552.00

Talking Forward is a charity designed to support families of those being investigated for online child sexual abuse offences. These family members include partners, parents, and siblings who, because they are not direct victims of the offending, have limited access to support for the trauma, stigma and fear that they are experiencing. Their project will offer a facilitated peer-support group for families, a telephone/email support service that includes contacting a family member (partner/parent) within 48 hours of the warrant and an evidence-based awareness raising/lobbying to improve policy and practice for families affected by this trauma.

### West Yorkshire Police, Intelligence Development Unit Operation Cuckoo Across West Yorkshire £7,057.35

Operation Cuckoo is a partnership response to vulnerable people being exploited in their own homes. The project will produce a toolkit localised to West Yorkshire to raise awareness of cuckooing. The funding will produce a video and resources, to improve front line workers and potential victim's knowledge, build confidence and improve police and partner agencies' ability to identify and safeguard victims. The project will also produce a multi-agency toolkit for partner agencies to use collaboratively with potential victims to improve understanding of the complex needs and experiences that vulnerable people may experience.

WY Basketball CIC
WY Basketball Camp
Across West Yorkshire
£5821.08

WY Basketball CiC will deliver basketball camps at the University of Huddersfield. Their goal is to engage and uplift young people in a safe and inspiring environment, diverting them from potential dangerous or criminal situations. They will partner with four local primary schools, in addition to offering at-risk students from each school the chance to attend all six camps. Each camp, which takes place before a senior team's home game, will include skills development sessions led by experienced coaches, compete in an exciting tournament, promoting camaraderie, respect, and healthy competition. The final will then take place during the half time break of the senior team's game, in front of fans. These camps will inspire participants to aspire to reach their potential and boost their self-esteem.

# West Yorkshire Safeguarding Communications Group Online CSE Campaign Across West Yorkshire £7571.00

A new online CSE marketing campaign will be created and delivered which will encourage parents and trusted adults to speak to young people about their online activity and will advise them on the language to use and the types of questions they should ask to prevent online child exploitation. The campaign will take the form of digital advertising, such as on websites and social media, as well as non-digital such as the radio. Partners across the district will be involved in promoting the engagement including community engagement groups and school liaison officers.

WomenCentre Healing Moves Calderdale £7980.50

Healing Moves will be a trauma-informed martial arts project designed and led by and for survivors.

The peer support group for abuse survivors will use martial arts, specifically Taekwondo, to help physical recovery from their experiences and improve mental health and self-confidence. The group will learn and practise non-combative self-defence techniques led by a qualified coach. There will be an optional peer discussion session to review any issues that participants experience during the session facilitated by a counsellor. The classes will provide a supportive community that teaches a life skill suitable for all ages and abilities by reducing dissociation through physical exercise, improving self-confidence and re-training survivors 'overactive threat response' via self-defence exercises.

Calderdale Licensing Department, West Yorkshire Police Alcohol Booklet Calderdale £1500.00

Their project will be provision of an Alcohol Booklet which will be distributed to all businesses selling alcohol, primarily targeting the night-time economy. This will be an aide memoire to reinforce the inputs given by the Licencing officer at Pubwatch and other forums. The booklet will work as an educational tool and point of reference for operators and staff within the NTE/Licensing. It will provide them with the knowledge and confidence to sell alcohol legally and responsibly, challenge antisocial behaviour, challenge customers who appear to be under-age and ensure the safety of the public. The booklet will clarify the law on selling alcohol to those appearing intoxicated and the actions expected from the licensed premises, and consequences. The booklet will also provide legal information for Security Industry Authority (SIA) Licence Holders in respect of the use of reasonable force and the potential consequences of using excessive force when dealing with problematic customers.

Out in the Valley Rainbow Group Calderdale £1240.00

The project is designed to provide a social setting for older and more isolated members of the LGBTQIA+ community, especially those for whom social events in evenings or in licensed premises may present a barrier. The aim is to provide a face to face meeting opportunity in a safe and inclusive environment which will be venue based initially, with a view to expanding into excursions into the locality.

Invictus Wellbeing
Into Employment Coaching
Calderdale
£4000.00

The project will work in partnership with Purple Moon Coaching, to offer their clients bespoke "into employment coaching". This would be one introductory session, followed by 5 individual sessions spread over 9 months aimed at 18-25 year olds.

The clients would be identified as experiencing challenges in getting in to and staying in employment, as well as experiencing mental health issues, and have difficulties with communication, self-confidence and self-esteem.

Calderdale Council
Halifax Central Initative
Calderdale
£7600.00

In partnership with 51st Pellon Scouts, police and other key stakeholders from the ward the project is to work with the community to create a memorial garden for a young person who lost their life in the community, which will also act as a community garden for residents. In addition to this, the project will run an event on Bonfire Night to help reduce neighbourhood crime and anti-social behaviour, which has historically been a hot spot area for serious youth and firework related crime.

The Blackley Centre
David Shutt Young Peace Ambassadors
Calderdale

Evolve Recovery Homes Evolve Bradford £7,983.00

Evolve Recovery Homes will work with women who are leaving or have been in the criminal justice system, giving them tools and strategies to support recovery from addiction and to reduce the risk of reoffending. In addition to the safe housing, they will provide specific support, both in groups and one to one, covering triggers and high-risk situations, relapse prevention, confidence and self-esteem, education training and employment, social skills, assertiveness and personal boundaries. They will also oversee Alcohol Treatment Requirements ordered by the court in partnership with West Yorkshire probation services, and support prison leavers to complete their licence conditions as part of their tenancy.

#### Forget Me Not Children's Hospice Multi-lingual South-East Asian Family Support Worker Bradford 7,244.00

The project will fund a multi-lingual South Asian Family Support Worker to specifically support families who have a baby/child with life-limiting conditions, and who are of South Asian origin. The families this project will support are sometimes unable to communicate effectively in English, and experience significant cultural barriers when accessing support. The support worker will work closely with mothers and daughters who are affected by violence in the home, emotional abuse and coercive control. These children are susceptible to suffering stress and anxiety where abuse and coercive control are present, and this can further complicate their medical condition. Safe, one to one and group support from staff and families who

can speak their language and understand their culture is vital in breaking the cycle and making their lives safer.

The Youth Association StreetVoice Bradford £7,718.00

StreetVoice provides wrap-around support for young people at street level. The project will see their team of youth workers run interactive street-based workshops on topics such as mental health, racism, violence against women and girls and toxic masculinity, focusing on early intervention and prevention. Detached youth workers will deliver the initiative, running work predominantly on street corners, in parks, outside shops and other congregation spots. Supplementary sessions in different settings (community centres, schools) will also be delivered to add value to the programme.

# West Yorkshire Police - Bradford Children Vulnerable to Exploitation Team Operation Galanthus Bradford £4,722.75

Galanthus Safeguarding seeks to understand and respond to young people's experiences of significant harm beyond their families, recognising how the different relationships young people form in their neighbourhoods, schools and online can feature exploitation, sexual abuse, violence and criminality. The project is to create a bespoke safeguarding service catered specifically for the needs of these young people, creating a safe space which allows for them to destress and be in a holistic environment.

Bradford Stories Books for Bradford Bradford £7,956.00

In partnership with children's social care and the lead inspector for domestic abuse in Bradford this project is a co-created pilot that uses positive literacy experiences at vital touch points in the journey of a child who has experienced domestic violence in the home. The inclusive programme will support 60 families and up to 180 children on Child Protection (CP) plans to improve their wellbeing, resilience and confidence through the introduction of carefully curated, age-related book packs (including supporting resources) provided by police officers and social workers who subsequently take on child protection cases.

#### Prism Youth Project Freedom Project Bradford £7660.00

The Freedom Project will support, guide and empower young people to have the skills and self determination to make their own independent choices to avoid or free themselves from being victims of crime. They will deliver bespoke programmes to small groups which will cover healthy relationships and spotting the signs of abusive behaviours in relationships, choice & consent, exploitation – emotional and sexual abuse, minimising risks of victimisation, street grooming, blackmail & coercion, partner violence in teenage relationships, sexting and online grooming, internet safety, drug dealing, trafficking and modern day slavery, peer pressure and expectations.

European Drom CIC Safe Ladies Bradford £6960.00

Their project will help Roma women of all ages to identify unhealthy relationships and provides knowledge about what is abuse and toxic behaviour. They will increase awareness of abusive relationships and work to support statutory and non-statutory organisations by running active session with videos, pictures, and discussions to encourage a cultural change within the family life of Roma women.

#### Bradford Council - Neighbourhoods Service Reflect, Re-write, Re-claim £2580.00 Bradford

This project aims to explore feelings, beliefs and attitudes with young people around the safety of public spaces.

An artist will use creative processes to explore the feelings of participants about feeling safe in parks and greenspaces. This might include sculpture, carving, drawing or photography to produce a physical "chapter". These will combine to form a story pole; displayed prominently at Cliffe Castle, Keighley for further reflection, story sharing, and as a demonstration of the power of reclaiming these spaces.

#### Hainworthwood Community Centre HWCC 8-11 Youth provision £7500.00 Bradford

Hainworthwood Community Centre is a local Community Centre run by volunteers for the residents of Keighley East, Hainworth Wood, Spring Bank and surrounding areas. Activities are delivered across all age groups and run over a period of 7 days

a week. Activities currently include luncheon club, toddler group, computer IT, seated exercise, community kitchen, warm space provision, food bank projects and weekly emergency parcels. Hainworthwood Community Centre aspire for this project to extend provision to 8-11 year olds, with a session on a Saturday morning, this is an age group not provided for by local authority.

## Bradford Children and Families Trust - Youth Justice Service Trauma Recovery Model Bradford £7743.00

Bradford Youth Justice Service's project will see the implementation of The Trauma Recovery Model (TRM). It is a 'road map' to help professionals care for and guide children who have experienced trauma. It is supplemented by The Enhanced Casework Management (ECM) approach which is designed to support cooperation and collaboration between agencies working with traumatised children. The ECM approach requires all the key people working with an identified child to co-construct a timeline of their life, from when they were born to where they are now. A psychologist will work with the professionals to help them think about the child's situation from the child's perspective through a psychological formulation that explains how the child's lived experiences impact their life now and includes a developmental mapping exercise to explore whether the child has any unidentified Special Educational Needs. The Trauma Recovery Model is used to plan and develop intervention strategies based on the child's individual needs.

Hollings Youth Association CIC Youth Focus Bradford £6502.00

Their Youth-Focus Project intends to educate young-people about legal and illegal highs, particularly addressing the widespread use of Nitro-Oxide and balloons in the community. The increased usage of these substances has resulted in a rise in road traffic incidents and ASB. To address this issue, Youth Focus will collaborate with various community partners, including Public Health Bradford, the Council of Mosque, and the Housing Association to deliver workshops for young people aged 15-25. The project will also establish a steering group comprising young volunteers who will contribute to educating their peers about the harms of drugs. The project will

also organize positive recreational activities such as swimming, badminton, keep fit classes and football where partners such as the police and public health teams will engage with young people.

Bradford Council Neighbourhood Service Bradford South Area Co-ordinator's office
Schoolwatch – Resilient Children in Royds Ward
Bradford
£5695.00

Their project will fund West Yorkshire Fire Service Youth Intervention Team to deliver interventions at three primary schools and one high school, targeting individual children who are most at risk of engaging in dangerous or anti-social behaviour with appropriate activities and training, aiming at building resilience as well as educating on consequences. The programmes include: SHOUT – for primary schools, focusing on practical firefighting skills, developing confidence and awareness of fire and road safety. Targeted intervention days – challenging young people's perceptions and asking them to take responsibility for their actions, aimed at those most at risk of becoming disengaged with education and society e.g., Fast Furious and Fatal – a session to look at road safety and the consequences of reckless driving, practically investigating what the aftermath of a crash is.

#### West Yorkshire Police, Early Action Team Neurodivergence and Brain Injury Profiler Bradford £7,416.50

The project will create and adopt a profiling system to identify and support individuals who display neurodivergent conditions including traumatic brain injury, autism, ADHD and other learning difficulties and disabilities in Bradford District who are involved with the criminal justice system.

Once identified the profiler will then support these young people and individuals by providing recognised practical support to prevent them from entering the Criminal Justice System further.

Northorpe Hall Child & Family Trust RISE Kirklees £8000.00

RISE will provide therapeutic support to be provided to children and young people (CYP) who have been victim of or witness to criminal activity (such as knife crime) and their emotional wellbeing has been impacted since the incident. The project will receive referrals from professionals across Kirklees such as the Police, Victim Support, CCE/CSE team, and Social Care and will pilot a 'rapid response' service for schools to maintain emotional resilience following knife crime and other similar

incidents. The project will offer CYP a safe space to explore and improve their emotional response as well as strategies to manage and improve their mental resilience, as well as signposting CYP to a range of existing services to enhance their connections and sustain the impact of support.

#### Kirklees, Calderdale and Wakefield Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre We've Got Your Back Kirklees £8000.00

'We've Got Your Back' is a discussion led workshop based around consent, sexual abuse and domestic violence. It involves teaching bystander intervention to both empower the young people and to reduce incidents of sexual abuse and domestic violence, both on and off school campus. Students will be made aware of what support is available to them at the end of the session and this will be promoted within the school as part of the project. The workshop is run by experts in sexual violence with experience of working with young people. The funding allows delivery to different High Schools across Batley and Dewsbury focusing on years 9-11.

National Children's Centre Safety Rangers - Youth Violence Kirklees £5,612.00

This project will build upon Yorkshire Childrens Centres (YCC) Safety Rangers (SR) partnership, focusing on keeping young members of the community safe and empowering them around their own safety. Their SR's will deliver an intervention designed to increase safety, young people's feelings of safety, and reactions should they ever find themselves in a position where a knife is present. The SR's partnership includes YCC and the Local Police and they will cover the impact of knife crime (lived experience), Where, when, how to get help, de-escalation techniques, weapons self-defence and knife wound first aid. The intervention is designed to prevent young people becoming victims of knife crime, but also provides techniques to defend and preserve life should the need arise.

RABC Boxing Club RABC BOXING Kirklees £8000.00

RABC is a small community-based boxing club, delivering bespoke community groups to educate young people about the dangers of knife crime, and gang related activities. Their project will continue the provision youth clubs, activity days and hold events to engage their community. They aim to educate the people they come in to contact with about the dangers of knife crime, gang related crime and the impact that this can have on them, their families and other members of the community. They will use interactive education to reach several demographics in the community, to educate young people, their parents, schools and offer support, guidance and a safe

space for anyone to attend to discuss any issues they have in the local community. They also have youth workers who provide assistance and guidance, and trained coaches who act as positive role models.

#### North Huddersfield Trust School Year 8 Resilience-Building Trip Kirklees £3150.00

This project will take a whole year group to ROKT Climbing Gym where students will undertake rope climbing and bouldering. Over the last 12-24 months, the school community has been affected by a number of student deaths, including the tragic murder of a student outside the school gates in September 2022 which was witnessed by a huge number of the students. As well as a lot of the students experiencing socio-economic issues. Their project will promote resilience in their students, as well as building character skills, whilst also giving them experiences to help shape them.

Huddersfield Town Foundation Targeted 1:1 Mentoring Kirklees £7850.00

This project will identify young people who present serious risk factors that correlate with the likelihood of becoming involved in youth violence as a victim, witness or perpetrator. The main focus is to reduce risk and to build young people's competence in navigating the risk that they face by incorporating exit strategies into the programme delivery.

LifeWorks Community Projects
Thriving Communities
Kirklees
£7500.00

Their project will provide special effects and camouflage make up workshops for South Asian women. The sessions will be specifically designed to encourage women to open up and talk about domestic abuse. They will run weekly sessions covering makeup artistry to camouflage, including how to disguise bruising. During the sessions they will have a mental health worker present to have private discussions with the women and raise mental health awareness in the community. The sessions will also include break out time for discussion and socialising to help build trust and support between the women encouraging disclosure.

#### Leeds Rhinos Foundation Tackle IT Leeds £7840.00

Tackle It aims to reduce reoffending rates among perpetrators convicted of domestic violence and support their victims. The project will take place in HM Prison Leeds, working with offenders using classroom activities and sport to address issues such as abuse, reoffending, crime, substance misuse, unemployment, and health. Topics covered include raising awareness of abusive behaviours, fostering healthy relationships, problem-solving, responsibility, teamwork, respect, and discipline. Upon release they continue to work with offenders by establishing a link between themselves, the perpetrator, and their probation officer, providing ongoing support through mentoring, meetings, and fortnightly sessions at Headingley Stadium. Simultaneously, their Leeds Rhinos Foundation Key worker will offer support to victims and their families, collaborating with local agencies, probation, and domestic violence units.

#### The Meanwood Road Project People Live Here Leeds £7,724.03

The project will be improving road safety by using pop-up portrait studios to take professional photographic portraits of residents of Meanwood Road and turn them into large scale banners hung from lighting columns or made into billboards. The project will try to 'humanise' the road and make it feel different to drivers. The images will reflect the diverse community they live in and will be accompanied by positive text such as 'welcome to our street' or 'hello, we live here'.

#### St George's Crypt Growing Rooms Ladies (GRL) Leeds £7,788.00

The community room at a St George's Crypt (SGC) housing project will be used to offer 18 hours per week of structured therapeutic group and one to one support. In addition to these sessions, the women will also volunteer for SGC, increasing self-esteem, isolation and employability.

#### Salvation Army South Leeds Initiative Space Beeston and Holbeck Leeds £7137.00

The Space programme will involve weekly clubs for approximately 80-90 young people aged 11-18 years. These groups offer young people a safe place where they

can build positive relationships with each other and volunteers, take part in positive, constructive activities and spend some time learning and reflecting about how to make positive life choices. In addition, the project will also have a visiting programme, where each young person is visited at home each week, including one-to-one mentoring support for young people who are at risk or face social or mental health issues. The project will also run 'Space Meals' where young people cook and serve a meal for adults from the local community, Regular community action days and community events, regular trips (e.g. ice-skating), courses to learn new skills and annual residentials.

## Temple Newsam Community Partnership with West Yorkshire Police Youth Partnerships, Leeds Leeds £2250.00

The project will oversee support workers run programmes to covering a range of topics relating to 'toxic masculinity'. They will run focused workshops, working with EdShift and officers from West Yorkshire Police utilising their toolkits. The workshops will be drama/arts based, covering topics such as healthy relationships, negative impacts long term of unhealthy relationships, consent, rape, assault and harassment. Sessions will be delivered to ages 7-16 by EdShift with a universal delivery by WYP built into the parenting sessions and PHSE. As well as this, part of the delivery from EdShift is a package for staff, which will better enable staff to challenge behaviours, harmful beliefs and sustain a zero-tolerance approach across the schools.

NSPCC
"The Net - Sam's Story"
Leeds
£8000.00

The project centres around a play "The Net - Sam's Story" for all pupils from Year 5 and 6. It explores sharing images, contact from strangers online, exploitation and appropriate and inappropriate behaviour online whilst signposting to support; be that parents, other safe adults and indeed Childline. There is a workshop for pupils to identify intervention moments with discussions on mental well-being; along with feeling good on social media and peer pressure to always be online. The project provides schools with resources, lesson plans, activity suggestions for further work, creating a legacy.

Remedi Restorative Services SHARE Leeds £5000.00 The SHARE project will be a programme for young people, designed to raise awareness and challenge gender discrimination and unhealthy relationship behaviours. It is a group programme which provides young people with a safe space to explore different views on misogyny, misandry and toxic masculinity, as well as look at the causes and consequences of this behaviour. They will also advise on how to safely challenge this behaviour and/or access support if someone has witnessed or experienced it. The programme will be delivered in schools, colleges, PRU's, youth justice service and other youth groups in Leeds.

Lighthouse Day Centre Leeds £4680.00

Their project, Day Centre will offer a place of safety and inclusion for people with multiple complex needs. They offer a mix of therapeutic activities, social time, life skills sessions, and leisure activities like table tennis, games and jigsaws. They also offer breakout Day Centre activities which are designed to give participants a sense of growth and achievement – some of these include crafts, cooking, urban exploration, photography, exercise opportunities and writing. In addition to these activities, they will be offering participants pastoral care and practical support, offering multi-agency engagement and navigation through complex life situations, both onsite and through home visits.

Bahar Womens Association Bahar Womens Association Leeds £8000.00

Their project aims to support individuals with certain barriers, which prevent them from adjusting to new communities. The grant will assist individuals in obtaining language skills and offer advocacy work, which includes applying for benefits and passports, as well as providing housing support, interpreting services, safeguarding and referrals to the correct services. BWA enables their support base to access healthcare - they help clients find the correct GP, dentist and counselling services. Providing these opportunities allow BWA to encourage and empower our clients and support their wellbeing.

iAspire2 Nothing To Do Wakefield £7,700.00 'Nothing to do' is an outreach project which aims to make areas safer, through a focus on early intervention and prevention. Their project will facilitate a drive around hotspot crime areas at key times to identify groups of youths with 'nothing to do' and aim to engage them. Inside their unique mobile prison cell they will deliver fun and educational activities to address drugs and alcohol, theft and violence, and neighbourhood crime & anti-social behaviour. Young people will be invited to listen to a victim of crime sharing their story, with the aim of getting across to young people the often unseen effects of crime. They will signpost young people to positive activities including local clubs & associations and invite Police & local councillors to meet the young people on the project as a way of gaining their confidence and respect.

Community Awareness Programme
CAP Care
Wakefield
£8000.00

CAP will continue their work to provide the provision of emergency basic needs such as cooked hot meals, clothing, household goods and furniture, friendship and restoration of self-worth work, specialist counselling, emotional and interpersonal support, employment and education help and advice, housing support, help with form filling and internet-based applications, basic life skills development e.g., how to shop, cook, manage money etc and signposting to further support.

Learnest CIC - Our House Our House - Reducing LGBTQ+ Hate Crime Wakefield £7837.20

Their project will support LGBTQ+ victims of hate crime across Wakefield District, aiming to increase reporting and decrease victimisation. Working with key partners in the police and local authority, they will establish 'Our House' as a hate incident reporting centre. They will deliver community development sessions with their existing community led groups on hate crime, promoting ways to report. They will also work with a wide range of services to establish key support offers for LGBTQ+ from 'Our Space' - including mental health, sexual health, drug and alcohol, accommodation and safety advice. In addition, they will work with WYP and Wakefield Community Safety Partnership to increase awareness and understanding of experiences of hate crime in Wakefield's LGBTQ+ community through hosting a network/learning session in 'Our Space'. Finally, they will set up a cross-sector Trans solidarity network in Wakefield, exploring how to make the city and district safer for trans and nonbinary people.

SCARD (Support and Care After Road Death and injury)

Counselling Wakefield £7850.00

SCARD (Support and Care After Road Death and injury) help to relieve distress among people who have been bereaved, injured or affected by road death or injury. Their project will allow SCARD to offer counselling sessions to more people and be able to work through their waiting list. They offer face-to-face counselling sessions to people that can reach their offices in Ossett, for people that are not able to reach the offices, they offer online counselling via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. They will also produce a leaflet that covers what grief is and the stages of grief, working with their qualified counsellor and trustees.

The Samantha Sykes Foundation Trust SSFT Therapy Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Wakefield £7600.00

The Samantha Sykes Foundation Trust's mission is to support victims and those at high risk of child sexual exploitation, up to and including the age of 25, to access therapeutic interventions such as (but not confined to) counselling or therapy, to help them re-build their lives. SSFT Therapy will offer trauma-based Psychotherapy and Psychoeducation to girls who are victims of child sexual exploitation and child sexual abuse. Some of this work will involve pre-trial stabilisation, followed by post-trial trauma therapy.

Red Ladder Theatre Company Sanctuary Kirklees, Leeds, Wakefield £7,886.00

Sanctuary is a new musical from Red Ladder, Theatre Royal Wakefield (TRW) and CAPA College (Wakefield). It tells the story of a 19-year old Iranian Kurdish man's search for safety and belonging in England – and a Yorkshire community's response. The funding would support additional participatory strands of the project in West Yorkshire, which will engage young people and isolated communities in activities engendering empathy instead of hate, counter to mainstream media misinformation around Refugees & Asylum Seekers.

Specialist Autism Services CIC Autism Community Safety Project Bradford, Calderdale, Leeds £7,984.11 The project will identify Mate/Hate crime and other types of abuse at their Leeds, Halifax and Bradford sites, for adults with Autism living across West Yorkshire. The project will support participants to recognise what it is to be a victim and how they can protect themselves from these crimes. Participants will be supported to recognise if they are being taken advantage of and how they can protect themselves from crime. They will explore what makes a good friend and discuss things that a perpetrator may do by befriending them with the intention of exploiting them either financially, physically or sexually and how they can report this if they are a victim of crime.

Serendipity Creative Writers Group Serendipity Safer Communities Bradford and Kirklees £8000.00

Their project will extend their services to wider communities working closely on responding to more complex needs. They currently work towards keeping people safe, and building individual resilience through their workshops that promote therapeutic writing about aspects of peoples lives such as addiction, abuse, housing, finances. They now also want to extend their services to reach as many people as possible due to the cost-of-living crisis and the outcome of Covid lockdowns.