



Registered Charity No: 207499

GUIDELINES FOR ORGANISATIONS APPLYING FOR GRANTS

Cripplegate Foundation was established in 1891. It is a parochial, grant-giving charity, with a restricted Area of Benefit. Grants can be made to both individuals and organisations and are given for the following purposes:

- the relief of need, hardship and distress of residents in the Area of Benefit;
- to provide facilities for recreation or leisure-time occupations that promote social welfare;
- for other charitable purposes which are for the general benefit of the inhabitants of the Area.

Grants must be for people, services or work in the Area of Benefit. A resident is a person who lives or works in the Area. **All applications must show a strong link with the Area of Benefit.** A map is attached which outlines the Area of Benefit in red.

Where an application is for a project covering a wider area it is important that you should show what proportion of those benefiting from the project live or work in the Area of Benefit. All grants are made by the Governors (or one of their Committees) and are at their absolute discretion.

Grants are also given to organisations in the Area of Benefit whose work does not meet the current priorities, but which falls within the general grant-making powers of the Foundation.

Applicants are encouraged to look at the Cripplegate Foundation website www.cripplegate.org for further details details of our grants.

What will the Foundation Fund?

The Foundation will consider applications for many different purposes, including providing core funding, as its grant-giving powers are very wide. Under the heading 'general benefit' of the community, most charitable activities are eligible. The Governors are particularly looking for projects:

- addressing an identified need in the Area of Benefit.
- addressing a need not covered by other local projects.
- which draw in funds and resources from elsewhere.

- which provide a benefit at a reasonable cost per head.

Current Priorities

Three themes capture the Foundation's priorities:

1. Reducing poverty

Islington is the 6th most deprived borough in the country. Applications which work with the poorest sections of the community to help to reduce poverty are encouraged.

2. Increasing access to opportunities and making connections

This addresses access to opportunities by the most deprived residents such as those on low income and black and minority ethnic residents. It includes access to cultural and arts facilities as well as education and employment.

3. Social cohesion

The Foundation is aware of the widening gulf between rich and poor in Islington. There are high levels of mobility in the borough. Applications are encouraged which promote integration of communities and active participation in society.

All applicants must show how their work will address one of these themes.

The Foundation will not fund:

- National charities and organisations, or organisations outside the Area of Benefit, unless they are carrying out particular pieces of work in the Area of Benefit.
- Schemes or activities which would be regarded as relieving either central government or local authorities of their statutory responsibilities.
- Grants to replace cuts in funding made by the local authority or others.
- Medical research or equipment.
- National fundraising appeals or appeals to provide an endowment.
- Advancement of religion and religious groups, unless they offer non-religious services to the local community.
- Animal welfare.
- Retrospective grants.
- Commercial or business activities.
- Grants for concerts or other events held in the Church of St. Giles-without-Cripplegate.
- Grants for students at City University
- Grants to organisations recruiting volunteers in South Islington for work overseas.

Grants to individuals

Separate guidelines and an application form are available for individual applicants.

Grants to schools

Separate guidelines are available for applicants.

How to apply

The application form is also available as a Microsoft Word document, which can be e-mailed to you or downloaded from our website www.cripplegate.org

If you do not have sufficient space on the form to answer the questions, please attach extra sheets. A written submission which addresses the points outlined in the application form will also be accepted.

If you are unclear about whether the Foundation will consider your application, we will be happy to talk to you about it. Please speak to us if you are unsure about how to complete the form or would like to discuss your application before setting pen to paper.

Applications should be received **at least six weeks** before the meeting date of each Committee, to allow time for a visit to your project and for any clarification or discussion of the application that may be needed. Closing dates for applications are listed below. We will try to ensure that applications are then put to the next Committee, **but we cannot guarantee that an application will be submitted to a particular meeting.**

Applications are considered by the Grants Committee 4 times per year. In 2008 the Foundation will consider applications as follows:

Closing dates for applications	Meeting Date
Wednesday 5th December 2007	Tuesday 29 th January 2008
Wednesday 12th March 2008	Thursday 24 th April 2008
Wednesday 28th May 2008	Tuesday 8 th July 2008
Wednesday 3rd September 2008	Tuesday 14 th October 2008

When you have completed the application form, please return it **together with a copy of your most recent annual report and accounts and constitution if you are applying to the Foundation for the first time,** to:

**The Director and Clerk to the Governors
Cripplegate Foundation
76 Central Street
London EC1V 8AG**

**Telephone: 020-7549 8181
Facsimile: 020-7549 8180**

Or email: grants@cripplegate.org.uk

(Please note: e-mail copies will be accepted, subject to receipt of a signed covering letter acknowledging submission of the application, bank details and a full set of accounts.)