

Mini Grants for Growth

Supported by our Guild Partnership



Guidance Notes (5th Round/Final Round)

The Boys' Brigade in Scotland is delighted to be working together with the Church of Scotland Guild as one of their project partners from 2018 – 2021.

Using funds received from this partnership we have established a mini-grants scheme to support the development and growth of BB Companies in Scotland. The last four rounds of the mini-grants have provided financial assistance to 41 Companies across Scotland.

Aim of the grants

Supporting the growth of the BB in Scotland and improving the quality of experience offered to children and young people.

What will the mini-grants support?

This final round of funding will focus on supporting Companies restarting face-to-face activities.

Grants of up to £1,000 may be used for:

- the development of a new Company or Section.
- supporting programme development, for example through the purchase of programme related equipment, accessing training, trips/visits etc.
- promotional/recruitment materials & activities, including advertising.



Key features

- Applications must demonstrate clearly how you will meet the aims of the funding – supporting growth and improving quality of experience for young people and leaders.
- Applications must demonstrate how your Company has identified development needs through the Company Healthcheck, and how a grant will support your development action plan.
- Grants may be awarded to support activities around the *Open To...* and *Raise the Bar* campaigns.
- The minimum amount that you can apply for is £100 and the maximum is £1,000.
- Match funding is not required but is encouraged.
- Funding will not support travel costs outside the UK.
- Copies of your current Company Health Check Action plan and your most recent annual accounts should be included with the application.
- Companies awarded funds in previous rounds are not eligible.

Timescales and deadlines

Completed applications for Growth Mini-Grants should be returned to John Sharp before (deadline) **Monday 6th September**.

Assessment

Applications will be assessed by a panel from members of the Scotland Committee. You will be informed whether your application has been successful within 21 days of the closing date.

Reporting

The monitoring and evaluation for the funding will require successful applicants to record how the funding has been used, and the impact it has had on the lives of young people (simple templates will be provided to complete). We would also encourage Companies to evidence the impact by gathering photo and video content and through personal testimonies/quotes.

Conditions

Allocated funds must be used for the stated purpose in the original application, unless otherwise agreed with the Scotland Committee.

Funds must be used in line with Brigade policies and procedures, including on Safeguarding, Health & Safety as well as Brigade Regulations.

Questions and support

Please contact john.sharp@boys-brigade.org.uk if you have any questions or require any assistance with completing your application.

Vision

Our Vision explains why we do what we do.

Is that children and young people experience "life to the full." (John 10:10).

Our prayer and hope that children and young people experience life to the full through coming to know Jesus for themselves.

