**Food Fund for over 65s**

**Guidance for Applicants**

2022

**Summary of the Fund Criteria**

* **Grants of up to £7,000** for Salford-based VCSE organisations who currently operate lunch clubs and/or food parcel/meal deliveries for those aged 65+.
* Organisations must be **full members** of Salford CVS
* Maximum of **one award** per group
* Appropriate food hygiene certification will be required
* **Closing date for applications:**
12:00 noon on Monday 25th July 2022
* **Decisions to be made by:**
early August 2022

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**Background**

Salford CVS and Salford Foodshare Network have secured monies from Salford City Council’s Household Support Fund to support Salford residents aged 65+ with food provision between July and September 2022.

Further funding may be released by UK Government to support this work over October 2022 – March 2023. However, this cannot be guaranteed.

**Fund Priorities**

Bids are welcomed from **existing Voluntary, Community or Social Enterprise providers** of lunch clubs and/or home delivery of meals / food parcels for those aged 65+.

All food provided will be expected to be prepared in council-registered food premises with cooks have Level 2 hygiene certification.

Food provided will be expected to be healthy and nutritionally balanced.

Please include options for those who are vegetarian or vegan.

Culturally appropriate food options are welcomed.

Please note that the assessment panel will prioritise funding additional provision to meet increased need.

**Do all funds have to be spent by the end of September?**

Ideally yes, however there is likely to be some flexibility on extending delivery in the autumn.

**How to apply**

Please read this guidance in full to ensure your application meets the criteria.

Organisations that wish to apply will need to complete the application form and submit it by email to grants@salfordcvs.co.uk in WORD or PDF format (ideally not as a scanned PDF). Alternatively, they can be posted to: Salford CVS, The Old Town Hall, 5 Irwell Place, Eccles, M30 0FN

The closing date for this fund is **12:00 noon on Monday 25th July 2022.**

Decisions are expected in early August 2022.

Successful applicants will be paid by bank transfer within 5-10 working days.

**Reporting Requirements**

All grant recipients will be required to submit a simple feedback form by mid-October 2022 giving details of the support provided and numbers of beneficiaries.

**What support is available to applicants?**

Salford CVS can offer practical support to your organisation with developing policies, accessing volunteers, accessing wider funding, pre-application read-throughs/feedback etc.

For further information, visit our website at:

[www.salfordcvs.co.uk/development-support](http://www.salfordcvs.co.uk/development-support)

You can also contact our Development Team by phone 0161 787 7795 or email at: office@salfordcvs.co.uk

Also see our online Safeguarding in Salford resources: [www.salfordcvs.co.uk/safeguarding-salford](http://www.salfordcvs.co.uk/safeguarding-salford)

**Any questions?**

If you need any advice or guidance in completing this form please contact the Grants Team on 0161 787 7795 or email grants@salfordcvs.co.uk