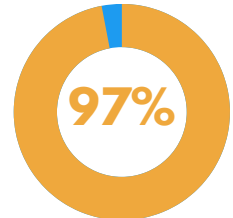


COMMUNITY GRANTS NEWSLETTER

A monthly publication by Landau Limited

Over the last three years, the Community Grants project has been able to provide targeted support to many small and voluntary organisations across Shropshire and Herefordshire thanks to funding by the European Social Fund and the Education & Skills Funding Agency.

With funding drawing to a close, we would like to take this opportunity to look back over some of the wonderful experiences and support the project has provided in the form of grants for initiatives which help move unemployed people, aged 18 and over, towards employment, training or education. We are thrilled to have been able to support so many wonderful services, all of which help to make an enormous difference to peoples lives.



Total grant fund awarded

SOME HIGHLIGHTS

We have enjoyed sharing regular updates with you with all of our newsletters available on our website. Here are just a few of the many project highlights.

Growing Local is supported in offering Gardening and Cook Clubs to the unemployed, allowing participants to gain new gardening & growing skills in relaxed, small, & friendly groups.



July 2021

Our inaugural Jobs Fair at the Kindle Centre in Hereford attracted over 30 employers with 500 job opportunities on offer.



Oct 2021

Shropshire Youth Support Trust support Jordan in achieving his goal of having his own business, helping him to overcome a number of barriers along the way.



March 2022

Lots of amazing partner success stories shared at our two celebration events in October including how Yellow Ribbon helped Cian grow in confidence and increase his self-esteem leading to employment.



Nov 2022

May 2021



A referral to the Empower programme at Bright Star Boxing pushed Natalie outside of her comfort zone but ultimately improved her mental health and strengthened her relationship with her children.

Aug 2021



Landau employees, volunteers, learners and honorary guests gathered to celebrate our largest business accolade to date - the Queen's Award for Enterprise.

Jan 2022



A lovely outcome for Dulsion Training Ltd with Heather achieving her FLT licence, despite medical barriers, and securing full-time employment.

Aug 2022



Our jobs fair at Shrewsbury's iconic prison attracted more than 30 businesses covering a variety of sectors including care, construction, retail and hospitality.

NEWS FROM LANDAU



Callum was referred to ANTA Education by his Reed work coach to complete his Forklift License Training Course (FLT). When talking with Callum, it was clear that this was something he was very excited about, with a long-term goal to be a certified counterbalance driver. Callum did not have previous experience and had never managed to get a FLT licence before due to finances and lack of the IT equipment needed to complete the eLearning element of the course. Another barrier Callum faced was not being able to drive, which had held him back in terms of travelling to previous potential training courses.

Completing the course has been a personal goal for Callum and thanks to the full support of Dulson Training Ltd, Callum has been able to travel to the FLT course and use the IT equipment at ANTA's office to complete and pass both the theory side of the course and the practical element of the FLT counterbalance course – and with a 90% pass rate! Callum is now able to add the FLT license to his CV and is feeling much more confident about securing employment. He is also continuing to benefit from having support with interview preparation and the sourcing of job opportunities.

We are really proud that Callum has been able to overcome the barriers that previously prevented him moving forward, using the resources provided.

OUTCOMES

As the Community Grants project draws to a close, our team will continue to keep in touch to discuss the progress of your delivery, monitor your performance and ensure your targets are on track. We will also provide support for outcomes, financial expenditure and paperwork training. **Please be aware this is a mandatory requirement as per your contract.**

Please contact katie.norcup@landau.co.uk with any queries.



OUR PROJECTS

The Community Grant projects have been extremely varied and have covered a number of different areas, including:

- **Hair Dressing & Beauty**
- **Apprenticeships**
- **Self-Employment support**
- **Coding & IT skills**
- **Upcycling projects**
- **Fork Lift Truck training**
- **Bicycle repairs**
- **Cryotherapy**
- **Gardening**
- **Wildlife skills & Nurturing**
- **Willow Work**



Community Grants have also supported many organisations that offer help to people in a number of ways, for example:

- **Tackling homelessness**
- **Supporting ex-offenders**
- **Mental Health support**
- **Parenting support**
- **Confidence building**
- **Cooking classes**
- **Communication building**
- **Team working**
- **Music Sessions**
- **Adaptability**
- **Flexibility**
- **Creativity**
- **Work ethic**



It has been wonderful to see so many projects offering key life skills and support.

FAREWELL TO ALL OUR PARTNERS

It has been our pleasure and privilege to have worked with some wonderful organisations and people over the past three years.

Our aim in securing these grants has always been to make a difference and to help improve the lives of those within our communities. It is thanks to the ESF funds and the dedication of our partners that we have achieved so much for so many.

The figures speak for themselves and while our focus has been to support those in our communities, I would also like to thank those behind the scenes who have worked to support our partners throughout their project journeys.

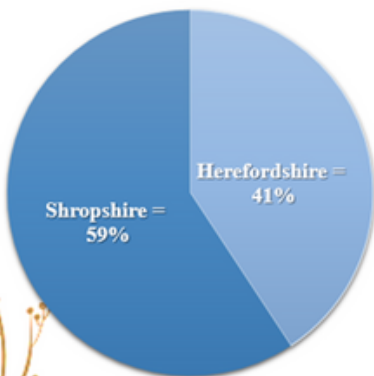
We have provided a solid foundation on which sturdy relationships have been built, thank you.

Kate, Community Grants Coordinator

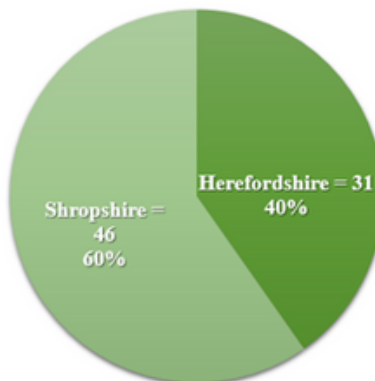
ESF Community Grants

Our Target Spend = £1,500,000

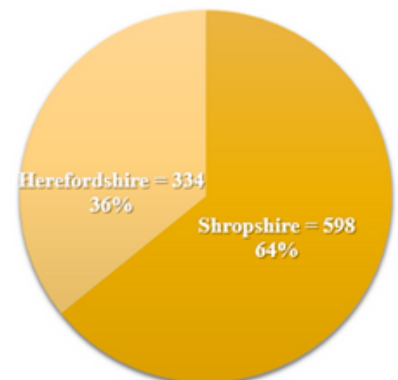
Actual Spend 97%



Total number of projects = 77



Total number of participants = 932



A big 'thank you' from the Yellow Ribbon team & participants.



The fabulous Katie Norcup, Community Grants coordinator.