

## Dying Matters Leeds Community Grant Funding Guidance Notes

Dying Matters Leeds aims to help people talk more openly about dying, death and bereavement, and to make plans for the end of life. The Dying Matters Partnership is made up of key organisations across the city, including Leeds City Council, the NHS, third sector organisations and businesses involved in death, dying and bereavement. The Older People's team (Public Health) within Leeds City Council manage the partnership with funding provided by the NHS through the Leeds Palliative Care Network.

The Dying Matters Leeds Partnership co-ordinates citywide work to open the conversation with local communities in Leeds about death, dying and loss and to enable people to plan for the last years of their life. Visit <http://dyingmattersleeds.org/> for more information about the Partnership.

The Dying Matters Partnership works to support people to take five simple steps to make their end of life experience better, both for them and for their loved ones. These are:

1. Write your will
2. Record your funeral wishes
3. Plan your future care and support
4. Consider registering as an organ donor
5. Tell your loved ones your wishes

### Funding available

1. **Small Grant** up to **£200** is available for one off events
2. **Medium Grant** up to **£500** is available for applications with more than one event
3. **Large Grant** up to **£1,500** is available for arts based projects and performances

Organisations are invited to apply for a Dying Matters Leeds Community Grant to deliver an event/s or activity/ies in their local community during Dying Matters Week **8–14 May 2023**.

### Possible events

We are inviting organisations and groups to apply for funding to run an event or activity, which may link to or be inspired by the above themes. To give you inspiration, below is a small selection of possible events.

- A social activity or event, with local or national Dying Matters resources on display (visit the Leeds Public Health Resource Centre or national Dying Matters website for

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access to resources) An afternoon of activities, including the screening of Dying Matters films and talks from local bereavement associations and funeral directors

- A Dying Matters arts competition
- A reminiscence session using memory boxes provided by the local museum
- The development or delivery of a creative performance or display aimed at engaging people to talk more and access support or resources.

### **What you can apply for:**

We recognise that applications are likely to be varied, and encourage creative and innovative ideas that are appropriate to local groups and communities to tie in with the themes of Dying Matters

Organisations can apply for events held between **8-14 May 2023**. The audience can be the public, your service users, staff or volunteers. In the spirit of diversity, we would encourage the community events to be open to all, but there could be exceptions made in certain circumstances (size and accessibility of venue /staff capacity if it was a trip out for example). Funding can include:

- Transport to attend an event or activity
- Costs for booking a venue to host an event
- Food and refreshments for delegates attending an event (the purchase of alcohol with the grant funding is not permitted)
- Printing costs for materials (leaflets, posters etc.)
- Other equipment that might be needed as part of a project or event eg a photographer, materials or staff time. Please note that any equipment purchased must remain the property of the organisation and must not be transferred to an individual.
- Training costs or volunteer expenses
- Publicity costs involved in promoting your event

We are more likely to fund your proposal if we can see that it has been well thought out and properly costed. There is no minimum level of grant. We are keen to fund a range of different events and welcome applications from all communities in the city.

### **What we won't fund**

- Activities that have happened before your grant is received
- Costs associated with making your application for funding
- Day to day running costs of your organisation
- Projects with particular religious or political aims
- Projects that take place outside Leeds

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- The purchase of items such as laptops or iPads. For further information on support for organisations and individuals in Leeds around digital inclusion, please visit <https://digitalinclusionleeds.com/>

### **Who can apply?**

Voluntary and Statutory Sector organisations in Leeds who:

- Have appropriate management arrangements and finance controls in place
- Have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. equal opportunities, child and adult protection
- Demonstrate it has the experience and/or ability to undertake the project.

### **Application process**

Leeds Bereavement Forum is administrating the grants on behalf of the Dying Matters Leeds Partnership.

- The deadline for submitting applications is **5pm, Friday 24 February 2023**
- Applicants will be notified of the decision by **Friday 17 March 2023**
- Evaluations from successful participants need to be received by **Friday 9 June 2023**

Applications will be assessed by a panel of representatives from the Dying Matters Leeds Partnership. Unfortunately, we have a limited budget so will be unable to fund all applications.

**If you have any queries, please contact Leeds Bereavement Forum on 0113 225 3975 or email [info@lbforum.org.uk](mailto:info@lbforum.org.uk)**

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