



## Volunteering Wales Main Grant – Round 2 awards

Organisation	Project Description	Grant Awarded
Association of Chairs	Our aim is to establish a volunteer network of peer support for Chairs and Vice Chairs in Wales. Chairing is a demanding and often lonely role. We'll be working to recruit, train and develop Chairs to support others in chairing roles.	£47,243.86
Ategi	Ategi will set up 6 locality based groups of volunteers with additional needs in Rhondda Cynon Taff. They will provide voluntary peer support to each other, building on their strengths and using assets in local communities to achieve individual and shared goals that improve their wellbeing and quality of life.	£49,809.40
BGfm Community Radio	The money that has been awarded will go towards staffing a volunteer support officer. This position will enhance volunteering opportunities with our future plans to install a second studio to help train and encourage more engagement with each other. This will help with isolation, mental wellbeing, learning, passing on skills meeting new friends plus making our community a more positive place to be.	£39,673.44

British Red Cross	British Red Cross will provide exciting opportunities for a diverse group of people to volunteer in a new crisis response team, based in Rhondda Cynon Taf, to work alongside emergency services providing emotional and practical support to those affected by a disaster. Volunteers will gain skills and experiences that increase their self-confidence and employability.	£25,000.00
Circus Eruption	This grant enables us to further recognise and reward our incredible volunteers, allowing us to provide unique opportunities and training that will enhance their experience and improve the quality of service that is so valuable to the young people and communities that we work with. Thank you.	£50,000.00
Citizens Advice Rhondda Cynon Taff	Citizens Advice Rhondda Cynon Taff (CARCT) will establish their Learn, Connect, and Thrive (LCT) project. This will increase the skills, employability and wellbeing of people in Rhondda Cynon Taff, by providing new volunteering opportunities and enhanced support, through the creation of a volunteer academy and employment of a volunteer co-ordinator.	£48,168.32

Coetir Anian	50 young people from mid-Wales will be introduced to Volunteering for Nature. They will each come for 6 days to our nature site at Bwlch Corog and participate in nature connection activities as well as practical tasks. They will receive skills training and build a learning portfolio to take away.	£49,962.00
Discovery Student Volunteering	We will use this funding to remove barriers and support disabled adults to get involved in volunteering supported by trained student volunteers. Our offer of 'student friendly' volunteering opens eyes to the amazing things that volunteering can offer them and set them on a lifelong path of volunteering.	£49,897.76
GISDA	<p>Rydym yn hynod o falch i dderbyn cyllid gan WCVA a fydd yn ein galluogi i ysbrydoli ag annog pobl ifanc digartref, bregus ac o dan anfantais i gael y cyfle i wirfoddoli ac ennill profiadau gwerthfawr a fydd yn eu cynorthwyo i symud ymlaen i fywydau annibynnol.</p> <p>We are delighted to receive funding from WCVA which will enable us to inspire and encourage homeless, vulnerable and disadvantaged young people to volunteer and gain valuable life and work experiences</p>	£48,141.00

	that will support them to progress into living independently.	
Home-Start Flintshire	Working to remove barriers to volunteering, we are opening up new opportunities to support our valuable work with local families. Looking to increase the number of people volunteering with Home-Start Flintshire . With a more flexible approach in our support, we aim to make the volunteering experience more rewarding.	£49,375.55
National Literacy Trust	Good literacy skills help at every stage of life, from education and employment to health and happiness. This funding is enabling the National Literacy Trust to work alongside volunteers in pantries and food projects across Cardiff, Newport and Merthyr to get literacy support and resources into the hands of families.	£48,688.93

National Youth Advocacy Service NYAS / NYAS Cymru	'Side by Side' Neath Port Talbot will support young people leaving the care of their local authority, with a volunteer mentor from their local community, matched on life experience and personal interests. Pairs will work together to develop important skills for independence, increasing confidence, self-esteem and helping to build stronger local networks to decrease loneliness among care leavers.	£50,000.00
Newport Yemeni Community Association	The money will be used to hire a volunteer co-ordinator to schedule, manage and reward NYCA volunteers. This will help NYCA to better utilise resources and increase the number of volunteers, improving the quality of their sports, learning and community-based activities.	£46,442.50
Rassau Resource Community Centre	The Rassau Resource Community Centre is a community run facility. In order to develop the centre, we need a volunteer base to help deliver projects that meet the community's needs. This grant will give us the ability to recruit and train volunteers who will sustain this valuable community asset.	£24,600.00

Skills & Volunteering Cymru	SVC is delighted to receive funding from the Volunteering in Wales Main Grant in support of our volunteering project with South Wales Police. This funding will allow us to recruit, vet and train volunteers to work on initiatives aiming to make Cardiff, and the surrounding areas, a safer and more cohesive community.	£43,977.12
St John Ambulance Cymru	Volunteers are at the heart of St John Ambulance Cymru, they provide lifesaving first aid training and first aid cover in communities across Wales. This grant will enable us to recruit new volunteers, increase the diversity of our volunteer community and offer our senior volunteers valuable leadership and management training.	£50,000.00
The Queens Hall Narberth	Through the recruitment of a new Volunteer Manager, we can enable many more people to take part in high quality arts experiences through volunteering, by reducing barriers to participation on an individual level. We aim to reduce isolation, increase new skills and develop a stronger sense of place for all.	£31,612.48

The Wallich	The Volunteering Wales Grant will provide a dedicated individual to ensure high-quality opportunities for all volunteers, who will be encouraged and supported to learn new skills and better their wellbeing. People supported by The Wallich will improve their confidence and employment prospects, helping achieve the organisation's vision of ending homelessness.	£49,897.76
Volunteering Matters	Through volunteering, older people will lead change in eight communities across Blaenau Gwent and Flintshire over two years. Initially, volunteers will be recruited as Volunteer Organisers. They will engage with their wider community, identifying any unmet needs and recruiting other volunteers to grow volunteer-led activities that combat loneliness and isolation.	£49,549.30
Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway Preservation Co. Ltd	We will recruit a Community Engagement Officer for two years, to review our volunteering programmes and ensure our long-term resilience by recruiting a larger, more diverse volunteer workforce, with increased emphasis on local people. Volunteers will be more engaged through improved induction and enhanced training and greater volunteer recognition.	£24,528.00