



Volunteering Wales Main Grant 2025-28

Round 1 awards

Organisation name	50 word description	Grant award
Age Cymru Dyfed	Age Cymru Dyfed is revolutionising volunteering by empowering a Volunteer Manager to coordinate dynamic community volunteers who address unmet needs beyond traditional service frameworks. Recognising the decline in traditional volunteering, we're reimagining roles to inspire and motivate individuals, making volunteering innovative, fulfilling, and an attractive opportunity to create real impact.	£55,941.45
Canolfan Gymunedol Bridges / Bridges Community Centre	Bridges VIP will increase the number of volunteers with additional needs in Monmouthshire, and will increase the number of opportunities for volunteers with additional needs. Bridges VIP will also see Bridges Centre going through Investors in Volunteering (IiV) accreditation in order to improve our support for volunteering in Monmouthshire.	£60,000.00
Canolfan Glowyr Caerffili i'r Gymuned / Caerphilly Miners Centre for the Community	Caerphilly Miners Centre will deliver inclusive volunteering opportunities, reducing barriers for underrepresented groups. Activities include tailored training, wellbeing sessions, and community outreach to engage diverse participants. Volunteers will gain skills, confidence, and support while contributing to a vibrant, welcoming environment that reflects and benefits the wider community.	£60,000.00
Cegin y Bobl	Create an impactful volunteering programme in Carmarthenshire which is embedded into Cegin y Bobl's development. Volunteers will support transformational, hands-on food education work, gaining valuable transferable skills and experience, and improve confidence and wellbeing. Cegin y Bobl will have systems in place to support volunteers, including young people.	£57,190.00
Celf O Gwmpas	Amazing volunteering opportunities that help you become a part of the community, learn connect and enjoy. Volunteering - Helping you grow, helping us grow	£28,620.00

Cyngor ar Bopeth Sir Ddinbych / Citizens Advice Denbighshire	Volunteering Futures will recruit a Community Engagement Coordinator to develop and expand inclusive volunteering. The project will help remove barriers for underrepresented groups and achieve Investing in Volunteers accreditation. Through tailored training and support, the project will enhance volunteer experiences and promote diversity to strengthen community well-being.	£57,284.00
Mind Conwy / Conwy Mind	Growing Minds is an exciting new project, offering young people the chance to get involved in flexible short-term volunteering opportunities. It's a fun way to meet new people and take on real-world challenges. Helping young people from all backgrounds build skills for a brighter future.	£60,000.00
Ffotogallery Cymru Cyf / Ffotogallery Wales Ltd	Photography has the power to affect and reflect social change. Through meaningful volunteering opportunities and the infrastructure to create those meaningful opportunities, Ffotogallery will play a part in creating a Wales of vibrant culture.	£40,952.40
Cwmni Buddiannau Cymunedol Gwydnwch Cymunedol Ffynnon / Ffynnon community resilience CIC	Resilient Roots will improve accessibility and increase volunteer diversity. The project will empower volunteers through training, and create better connections between local volunteer groups. We will raise the status of volunteers, celebrate their achievements and improve rewards programmes. The project will establish systems enabling volunteers to connect and thrive.	£60,000.00
Cymdeithas Gymunedol Gilfach Goch Cyfyngedig / Gilfach Goch Community Association Limited	Volunteers in Partnership is for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities. We offer various volunteering opportunities including tailored roles to suit the needs, interests and abilities of the volunteer. We are committed to investing in volunteers, providing ongoing training and support, in a safe and welcoming environment.	£60,000.00
Pafiliwn Grange / Grange Pavilion	Grange Pavilion will launch a co-produced volunteering programme facilitating volunteer-run activities that address 4 community-identified priorities ('green and clean', 'health and wellbeing', 'jobs and skills' and 'Welsh') by providing space, support and training. Meaningful opportunities for 40 volunteers will lead to capacity building and long-term, sustainable community development.	£59,756.41
Heol Chware Rôl TA Role Play Lane	Our project will expand volunteering opportunities further by offering training, qualifications, Time Tempo credits, and financial support for travel	£51,609.82

	and food. Our focus is on empowering neurodiverse individuals, those with disabilities, and anyone seeking to grow through rewarding and inclusive community involvement.	
Hope St Mellons (Here for Good Collective)	Cynefin i Bawb will build on our foundations and ethos as a locally rooted, volunteer-led, asset-based community development organisation by improving all aspects of volunteer support at Hope St Mellons. Through this we aim to build a volunteer community that reflects the vibrancy and diversity of our local community.	£59,998.00
Cwmni Buddiannau Cymunedol Inclusability / Inclusability CIC	The Empowered Volunteers Programme fosters inclusion by recruiting and training volunteers, focusing on young people aged 16-25. Through workshops, mentoring, and leadership opportunities, the project equips volunteers with skills to support accessible events for families with additional needs. It celebrates contributions, promotes diversity, and builds a sustainable, community-driven volunteer network.	£30,560.00
KIRAN Cymru (Y Rhwydwaith Perthnasau Rhyng-gymunedol ac Ymwybyddiaeth seiliedig ar Wybodaeth). KIRAN Cymru (The Knowledge-based Intercommunity Relationship and Awareness Network)	KIRAN Cymru's Onward Together project aims to remove barriers to volunteering and create an inclusive environment where individuals from all sections of the community can engage in meaningful volunteer opportunities. By enhancing recruitment, training, and recognition processes, the project fosters equity, empowers volunteers, and strengthens community connections for sustainable impact.	£54,240.00
Sefydliad Glowyr Llanhilledd Cyf / Llanhilleth Miners Institute Ltd.	The YEP (Youth Enrich Project) works with 11–25-year-olds across Blaenau Gwent who are interested in volunteering to engage with and support the community, develop skills and confidence, mentoring young people, and planning and supporting community events. This takes place in a peer-supportive environment to support their needs and wants.	£60,000.00
Hwyllo Treftadaeth y Fenai / Menai Straits Heritage Sailing	To employ a Volunteer Co Ordinator to develop a collaborative, coordinated approach to support a diverse Volunteering Programme. To increase Volunteering engagement to all age groups especially to those who may have barriers to volunteering. Achieve best practice in volunteering providing an inclusive, supportive and high-quality volunteer	£43,845.60

	experience.	
Mess Up The Mess Theatre Company LTD	The project will provide high quality attractive volunteering opportunities and training for young people in Ammanford and the Amman Valley as peer leaders and technical volunteers. It will improve and enhance their experience by better recognising the experiences and learning gained and through working to the Investing in Volunteers Standard.	£54,309.28
Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru / National Library of Wales	The National Library of Wales will transform its volunteering service by establishing a training programme that empowers our current volunteers to become one-to-one mentors for other volunteers who face barriers to participate in our volunteering programme.	£60,000.00
Cwmni Buddiannau Cymunedol Raspberry Creatives Community Events / Raspberry Creatives Community Events CIC	Raspberry Creatives CIC is a community-led organisation based in Port Talbot, supporting individuals facing barriers like mental health challenges, disabilities, and poverty. We provide inclusive spaces, creative activities, and outreach services that promote well-being, build connections, and empower communities. Our mission is to foster resilience, opportunity, and inclusion for all.	£57,000.00
Sefydliad Sea Watch / Sea Watch Foundation	Sea Watchers Môn transforms how Sea Watch Foundation manages volunteers on Ynys Môn by formalising the volunteer journey. Volunteers will be trained, supervised and supported through our programme to support wellbeing, resulting in a stronger network of confident and effective volunteers as a pilot project for our national volunteer network.	£59,550.00
Cwmni Buddiannau Cymunedol Shining Stars Cardiff / Shining Stars Cardiff CIC	This project supports ethnic minority women in Cardiff to volunteer in the Childcare Industry, building skills, confidence, and experience while contributing to early childhood development. By providing tailored training, removing barriers, and promoting inclusion, this initiative will strengthen community cohesion, enhance well-being, and celebrate cultural diversity.	£56,039.51
Ymddiriedolaeth St Giles / St Giles Trust	Our project breaks down barriers and expands access to high-quality volunteering for non-traditional female volunteers in North Wales. By	£58,800.00

	improving processes, strengthening partnerships, and creating inclusive opportunities, we will increase volunteer engagement, enhance retention, and build better-connected community volunteering networks.	
Y Gymdeithas Strôc / Stroke Association	A new Volunteer Manager will work with CVCs and healthcare partners to build a sustainable stroke volunteer community in Powys, Ceredigion and south Gwynedd. Volunteers will feel empowered to use their skills/experience to offer local support, driving forward the Government's transformation of stroke services for a healthy, cohesive Wales.	£51,332.00
Sue Ryder	Our project will enable Sue Ryder to produce a Welsh language version of both our Retail Volunteer induction Booklet, and our Community Payback Induction Booklet to ensure that our Welsh volunteers can read our volunteer induction materials in Welsh and become fully informed about Sue Ryder and their role.	£6,883.00
Cynllun Mentora Plws y Bridge / The Bridge Mentoring Plus Scheme	This project enhances inclusive volunteering opportunities by addressing barriers for individuals with additional needs and from disadvantaged communities. Through tailored placements, one-to-one support, skills training, and community engagement, it fosters personal development, social inclusion, and long-term volunteerism, empowering participants and promoting a vibrant, cohesive, and equal community in Bridgend.	£53,424.00
Canolfan yr Amgylchedd / The Environment Centre	Breaking barriers and providing support for students and asylums seekers to develop skills for employment, build confidence and be an active part of the local community through regular and practical green volunteering opportunities with the Repair Café and Community Green Space movements in Swansea.	£47,830.75
Elusen Ambiwlans Awyr Cymru / Wales Air Ambulance Charity	Wales Air Ambulance will deliver an innovative volunteering project in North Wales to improve the volunteer experience and overhaul current Volunteer Management practices. The project will focus on communication and engagement with volunteers, provide support, staff training opportunities, and offer new flexible volunteering roles utilizing digital app technology.	£56,000.00
Canolfan Materion Rhyngwladol Cymru / Welsh	Climate Action Link is a sustainable, dynamic volunteer programme which helps remove barriers to volunteering for young people. It fosters	£56,957.64

Centre for International Affairs	collaboration across schools, communities and organisations, creating an engaged volunteer community who are passionate about sustainability and the future of the planet.	
Young Muslim & Community Organisation	Our project will recruit, support and train volunteers to deliver activities that develop interpersonal skills, enhance community wellbeing, and foster inclusivity. We aim to empower individuals from ethnically diverse backgrounds with focus on women and young people, promoting better outcomes and contributing to the Welsh Government's Wellbeing Future Generations goals.	£25,317.50