New funding from the London Community Response- launching on January 14th

With the capital in another lockdown and our communities facing even more difficult times ahead, London's funders have once again come together to provide new funding for civil society organisations. The London Community Response is launching two new waves of funding next week **on Thursday** January 14th.

There will be a crisis response programme of grants of up to £10k - with a quick turnaround to ensure that urgent needs are met. And there will also be a programme of larger, longer-term 'Renewal' grants which will focus on supporting the needs of civil society in the year ahead. Full guidance for applicants on both strands will be published next week.

Webinar for potential applicants - 13th January

To help you find out more about this funding, including what the priorities are for this programme and how the application process works, we're hosting a webinar for London's civil society groups on:

Wednesday 13th January at 2pm

As well as providing you with more information, we'll also be on hand to answer any questions that you may have.

If you can join us then please <u>click here</u> to register for the webinar. It will also be made available on our <u>YouTube</u> channel before funding opens.

Who are the London Community Response?

Powered by London Funders, <u>over 65</u> funders have been working together to provide coordinated funding to support groups responding to the needs of the capital's communities during the covid-19 pandemic.

Launched four days after the first lockdown started in March, the single application point for charities and community groups enables organisations to access funding from multiple funders in a fast and efficient way.

So far, over £46m has been distributed to London's civil society organisations through the collaboration, with funding awarded to groups in all 33 boroughs Reflecting our commitment to equity, in the most recent wave of funding over 70% grants were given to groups led by people from Black, Asian or minority ethnic communities, Deaf and Disabled people, women, and LGBT+ communities. <u>Click here</u> for a full list of grantees so far.

<u>Click here</u> for more news from the London Community Response.

Feedback and further resources

We're encouraging London's civil society organisations to share their experiences with the London Datastore's <u>surveying</u> and data analysis.

If you'd like further organisational support and more information about other grants available, we'd suggest looking at London Plus, NCVO and DSC's resources.

If you have further questions relating to the London Community Response specifically, do join us on the webinar on Wednesday.