

Complex and Additional Needs Capital Grant (T285)

Grant Application Opportunity

Introduction

£127,000 Capital funding is available to support Trafford Council's short breaks for disabled children. Funding is for providers to apply for capital expenditure to make their settings and activities fully accessible. This should not detract from providers' responsibility to ensure they meet Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) requirements, but the funding would assist with particular costs exceeding DDA requirements.

What kinds of services can be funded through the grant?

DEFINITION OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The capital grant scheme covers expenditure on the acquisition of tangible, productive assets, whose value exceeds £2,500 (including VAT) and which will give continuous service beyond the financial year in which they were purchased.

This could typically include the purchase of equipment and resources with an individual value that exceeds £2,500 or a group of similar resources that together exceed £2,500.

Who can apply?

Applications will be considered from statutory, voluntary and community based organisations that work towards supporting short breaks for families of children with a disability. A short break provides the primary carer with the support they need to take some time out from their caring responsibilities. In Trafford we want to see a variety of services for children and young people with disabilities aged 0 -18 and their families.

We are interested in applications offering support for 1 or more of following targeted areas:

1. Children with complex health needs
2. Children with Autism and challenging behaviour
3. Young people with disabilities who are in transition
4. Children pre and post-diagnosis (aged 0-7) and their families
5. Children with sensory support needs

Your project should support children and young people with disabilities and their families to access early intervention and timely short breaks where possible to prevent the need for intensive long-term support. Where those families have complex health needs, short break

Trafford CYPS brings together council and health services to improve outcomes for children, young people, their families and schools.

services should help to enable families to lead as normal a life as is possible and have the skills within the service to ensure the needs of the child/young person are met.

When should the services be delivered?

All projects should be delivered prior to 31st March 2012.

Where in the borough are services required?

We would like to be able to present opportunities for all children within Trafford across the borough. Bearing this in mind we will try to ensure a good geographical spread of activities so that as many children and young people as possible can access enjoyable short breaks across a range of areas in the borough.

How to apply?

We require applications to be submitted only via a national web based system called 'The Chest'; the North West's Local Authority Procurement Portal: the website address is:

www.thechest.nwce.gov.uk/

You will need to click on the 'current opportunities' link on the list on the left hand side of the page and search for Trafford Council under the ' Organisation' drop down list. Then click on to the opportunity to wish to bid for. You will need to register to make an application.

The Reference Number for the tender is: **NWCE – 8KBG95**. Please use this reference number for your application.

If you are interested in applying for this funding or if you have any questions or require any clarifications then please direct these via the Question and Answer section on the CHEST website www.thechest.nwce.gov.uk, If you have any issues in gaining access to these documents in the first instance please raise your issue directly with the CHEST who can be contacted by email or telephone, nwsupport@due-north.com or 0845 293 0459, if you still have any problems please contact the Procuring Officer, Chris Conway (email christopher.conway@trafford.gov.uk).

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 26th August 2011 at 19:00