

Bristol Impact Fund Small Grants Fund Round 2: Projects receiving funding

1. BIF Small Grants 2 Background:

- The VCS Prospectus structure of 5 challenges; 4 Ways of Working and 3 Impacts was retained
- A total of **£313,020** was available over 2 years: Jan 2020-Dec 2021.

Application process

Stage 1- Expression of Interest:

- *143 applications received*

Stage 2- Meetings with Panel

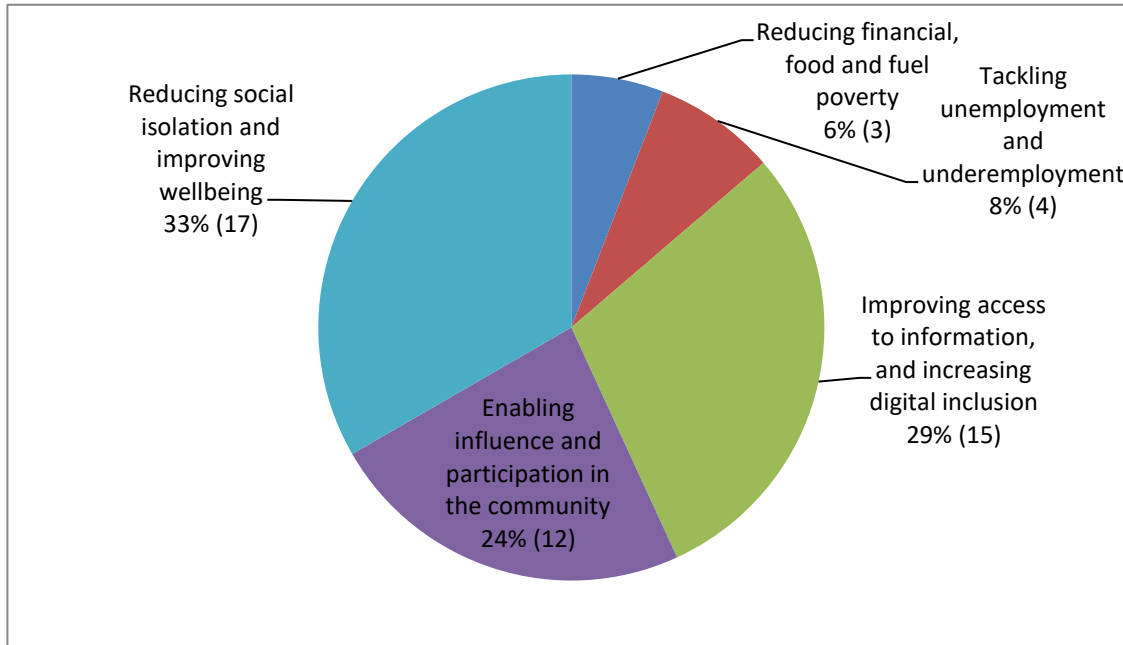
- 113 groups were met and interviewed; **62 proposals were deemed to be fundable.**
- Results were then weighted to address the BIF Small Grants 2 criteria: of delivering benefit to most deprived neighbourhoods in South Bristol; of benefitting equalities communities; and community-/user-led organisations: **27 projects invited to Stage 3**

Stage 3- Full application

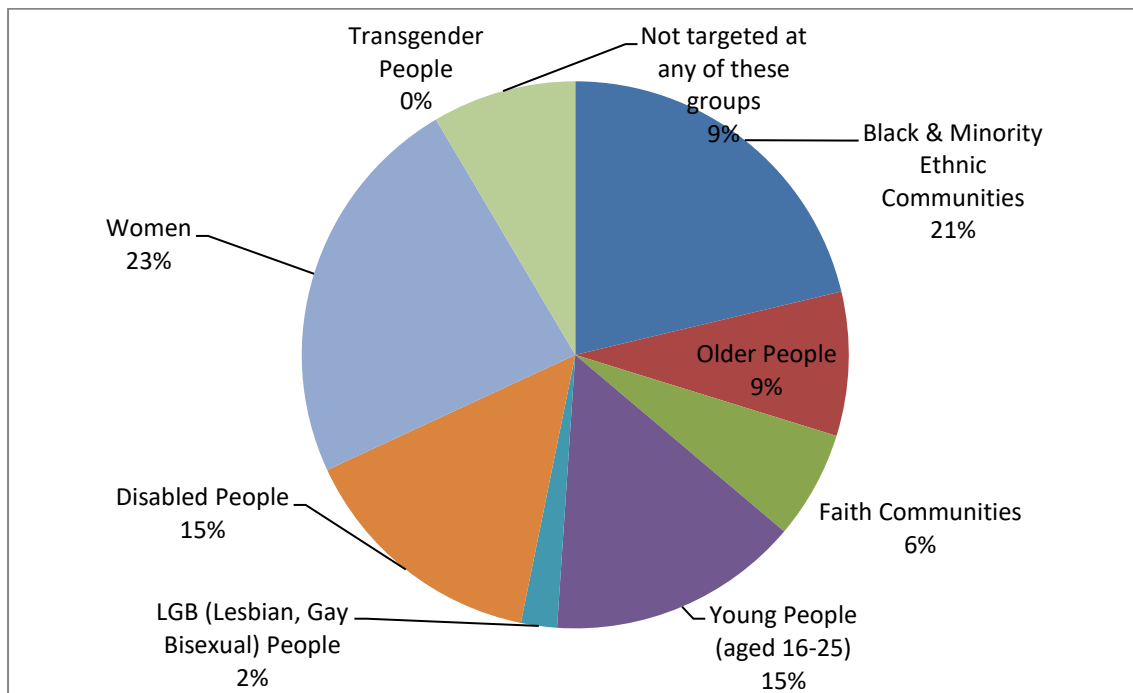
- 27 proposals assessed, seeking funding of £480,720.37
- **19 were approved for funding**; 8 recommended not to be funded (see below for a list of organisations to receive funding)

Breakdown of Funded projects:

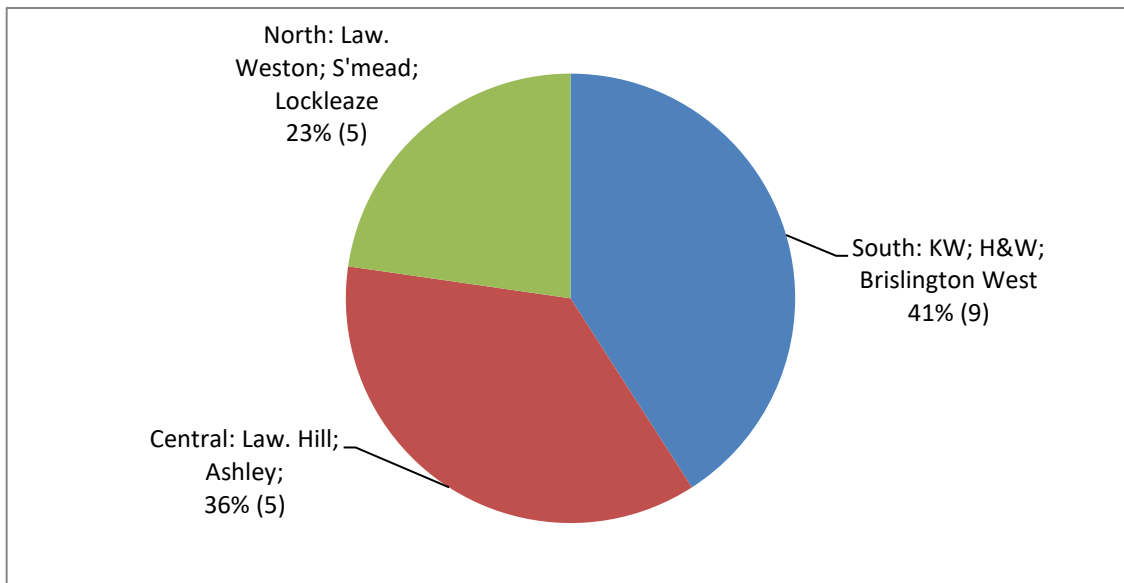
BIF Challenges addressed



Benefitting Equalities Groups



Areas of the city projects based



Equalities led groups

The fund prioritises giving funding to groups that are led by equalities groups.

Of the 19 projects funded

- 7 were BAME led organisations
- 1 was LGBT led organisation
- 2 were Disabled people led organisations

Details of the funded projects

1) St Werburghs City Farm

The Craft, Cooking and Community programme: a 12 week structured programme that seeks to improve health and wellbeing, increase resilience and reduce disadvantage and inequality for 200 per year - socially isolated/ identify as lonely; people suffering from anxiety, OCD, depression and debilitating lack of confidence; those recovering from alcohol and drug misuse; and marginalised people such as older people and refugee and asylum seekers.

Requested Funding: £19,894

Total amount awarded over two years: £15,000

2) Oasis Community Hub North

Extension of current BIF funded project -One more year of funding will allow us to develop the enterprise products and to develop relationships with local

businesses and an online shop to increase sales income. We anticipate being fully self-sustaining by the end of 2020

Requested Funding: £8000

Total amount awarded over 1 years:£8000

3) Changes

6 mental health support groups across Bristol - the Changes model of peer support. 50% of the meetings will be in the south of the city, and 5 within deprived areas.

The 6 meetings are existing meetings that have been developed at the requests of local communities

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19560

4) Knowle West Health Association

Extending free counselling service in for Filwood and Knowle residents:

Addressing issues such as family breakdown, unemployment, abuse , domestic violence, low self-esteem, isolation, depression and suicide

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £15,000

5) Creative Shift

Uses art as a tool to tackle social isolation, improve DP- Mental Health and wellbeing, and build individual and community resilience, working with people living in LSOAs in the most deprived 10% for Multiple Deprivation in Bristol

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,560

6) Mothers for Mother

Working with families affected by Perinatal Mental Illness (PNI) and/or a history of mental illness, including post-partum psychosis

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19560

7) Knowle West Health Park Company

Man Alive: Men who live in Filwood or the surrounding areas of South Bristol to build activities focussing on wellbeing and developing community resources to

benefit all. The group focuses on men's health with flexibility about what this means.

Requested Funding: £19,204

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,204

8) Ashley Community Housing

Partnership project between Ashley Community Housing (ACH), Bristol Hospitality Network (BHN), Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) and Refugee Welcome Homes (RWH). 'Warm Welcome' will tackle fuel poverty in Bristol's refugee and asylum seeker communities

Requested Funding: £17,661

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £17,601

9) Bristol Somali Forum

Providing family support to Somali families who have relatives in goal particularly to women and mothers. To help them manage social isolation, poor mental health rebuild a sense of strength and agency and support their children to positively change course.

Requested Funding: £19,998

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,998

10) Community in Partnership Knowle West

Funding Springboard life improvement project: an IT and Community Space, and a tutor to deliver a series of 1-1 support (life goals, IT, other skills) group learning activities focused on improving wellbeing, developing life goals, reducing isolation, and supporting people into employment.

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,560

11) Opoka

Support service for Polish women who are or have experienced domestic abuse.

Requested Funding: £19,700

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,700

12) The C.H.E.E.S.E project

The C.H.E.E.S.E. Project to assess the energy efficiency of homes using thermal videos - showing householders precisely where heat is escaping from their homes and allowing targeted improvements with maximum impact per pound spent. Working with the Bristol Energy Network and current partner community anchor organisations (www.reworkltd.org.uk and www.hwcp.org.uk) we will train local volunteers to undertake surveys and support their neighbours with advice and remedial actions to combat fuel poverty and improve health and wellbeing.

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years:£15,000

13) Working young community interest company

A weekly community bike workshop for young adults in Hartcliffe & Withywood and Hengrove & Whitchurch Park. This will bring people together around a common purpose, provide training, reduce isolation and improve health and wellbeing. There are progression opportunities to support our other workshops as volunteers and teach the younger generation these skills as well as NVQ qualifications available through our partner Life Cycle.

Requested Funding: £ 15,704

Total amount awarded over 2 years:£15,704

14) Autism Independence

Supporting black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) people with Autism, individuals and their families to maximising independence.

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years:£19,560

15) Friends of Caswell Thomas

Increase awareness of prostate cancer amongst BAME men and their families

Requested Funding: £5,260

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £5,260

16)Nilaari

Focused workshops to support Somali women around mental health, accessing services and building peer networks

Requested Funding: £20,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,560

17) Empire Fighting Chance

Weekly group outreach & pilot sessions, targeting young people aged 16-25 in Brislington. These will feature non-contact boxing, mentoring and psychological education at venues within the community.

Requested Funding: £16,000

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £16,000

18) Rockabye

Funding for four antenatal Rockabye groups. These are small, innovative 6-week groups, which allow up to 7 mums with mental health difficulties the chance to talk about and reflect on their hopes and fears about becoming a parent

Requested Funding: £19,193.38

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £19,193

19) Somali Kitchen

Working with Somali women in Redcliffe around the themes of healthy food, healthy families and healthy lifestyles.

Requested Funding: £19,200

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £10,000

Total amount requested: £339,794.38

Total amount awarded over 2 years: £313,020