

You Matter Communities Applications 2021

Timebank Application





Introduction

You Matter Communities is focused on supporting local communities by providing resources, such as volunteer time, small grants and materials, to support community-led solutions to local challenges. You Matter offers local third sector, community organisations and communities different ways to access resources offered by McLaughlin & Harvey as part of the Alexander Stadium Redevelopment. And now, as communities across Birmingham continue to deal with the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, You Matter Communities is focused on supporting community organisations to recover and to help people and communities experiencing disproportionate challenges to build back better, fairer and greener.

The You Matter TimeBank is a real commitment of time and support to third sector organisations and community projects in Birmingham. As the Alexander Stadium Redevelopment takes shape, the TimeBank offers an innovative way of matching skills with local community need.

How it works

The You Matter TimeBank offers 50 volunteer days of targeted support from our team, during the stadium construction works, for local third sector and community organisations. We use 'deposits' of volunteer time from our experienced team and suppliers - time which can then be used to give real practical support to organisations and individuals who need it. The deposits of time are managed by our Social Value Co-ordinator, who ensures that 'deposits' are matched appropriately with third sector and community organisation needs identified through the application process.



What could I ask for?

1. Organisation development support e.g. Board membership, tender or grant application support and design guidance
2. Volunteer time for youth engagement projects e.g. Advice on writing CVs or support for employability projects
3. Volunteer labour to complete a community project that improves the environment or local wellbeing
4. Environmental guidance and expertise

What's the criteria?

Applicants must be Birmingham-based and be a third sector, community or voluntary organisation. Applications must demonstrate how volunteer support offered through the You Matter TimeBank will contribute to one or more of our social value objectives:

- Increased community inclusion
- Enhanced environment
- Supporting children and young people
- Tackling poverty and isolation
- Promoting equality and diversity
- Contributing to improved physical and mental wellbeing



How do I apply?

Organisations wishing to apply for the You Matter TimeBank need to complete an application form and submit to Hannah Lamont, Social Value Coordinator ASCommunities@mclh.co.uk by the closing date. Awards will be made to successful applicants and a programme of support agreed a month after the closing date. All applications to the You Matter TimeBank will be assessed against our social value objectives and your project will need to deliver measurable outcomes against each objective.

Application form

1. Organisation name, contact details and address

2. Tell us about your organisation

e.g. what sort of organisation is it, what are your aims, who do you work with and how long have you been running (max 250 words)

3. What is the activity and/or project that you are looking for volunteer support to deliver?

Please provide information to describe your activity and/or project e.g. When will the project start and how long will it run for, who will benefit, how will it address the impact of COVID-19 on communities and which of the You Matter TimeBank objectives you will meet and how (max 500 words)

4. Please state the number of volunteer days or hours you are applying for

5. What activity will volunteers be carrying out in relation to the project and/or activity?

(max 250 words)

6. Please confirm that you will submit a case study to the McLaughlin & Harvey Social Value Coordinator within 4 weeks of completing your project

7. Have you applied to the You Matter Community Fund or TimeBank previously?

If so, please state the resources you applied for and if you were successful or not?

For further information,
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