



# Young Start

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Young Start awards grants of between £20,001 and £100,000 for up to three years. It supports projects that meet one or more of the following outcomes:

# All about Young Start

### **Young Start supports** amazing projects run for and by Scotland's young people.

At The National Lottery Community Fund, we are proud to work with the Scottish Government and the Reclaim Fund to deliver this exciting funding opportunity for young Scots aged 8 to 24.

We established Young Start at the direction of the Scottish Government in 2012. Since then, an incredible £68 million of dormant accounts funding has been awarded to 1,189 projects aimed at helping young people become more confident, gain new skills and realise their potential.

Dormant accounts funding is released to us by the Reclaim Fund, under the Dormant Bank and Building Society Accounts Act 2008, to distribute Scotland's share to youth-led projects.



Healthy



Children and young people have better physical. mental and emotional health

community

### **Young Start principles**



### **Youth led**

Projects must follow the 'Getting it Right for Every Child' (GIRFEC) approach, ensuring that the rights, needs and wellbeing of children and young people are at the heart of the services that support them. Young Start requires that children and young people have been actively involved in the design, development, and delivery of projects to ensure their experience and insights are respected and listened to.



get access to new skills and training opportunities which will help them to get a new job or start a business



### Asset based approach

Projects must demonstrate that they have harnessed the strengths and assets of the children, young people, and wider community they support. Rather than focusing on deficits and needs, Young Start encourages children and young people to use their strengths to help overcome challenges.

### Young man with diabetes has big goals, on and off the pitch

It was in 2020 and amid lockdown that Lochlan Murdoch, who was struggling with managing his type 1 diabetes, decided to set up Lochlan's Legacy, a charity to help other young people facing the same struggles.

The teenager from Cumnock was diagnosed with the condition when he was just four and a week into starting primary school. Despite this, he faced challenges with a smile, tackling finger pricks, insulin injections, and more while keeping a football at his feet.

On setting up his own charity to help others living with the condition,

Lochlan said: "My favourite thing about Lochlan's Legacy is that it's mine and I get to help people."

In 2023 the charity received Young Start funding to develop its youth steering group and Lochlan, now 15, chairs it. The group works together to organise events around diabetes management and technology, as well as raising funds and awareness of type 1 diabetes.

Lochlan said: "When I organise events, young people can come along and just have a good time and be themselves, they don't have to focus on having the condition.

"One way that we raise awareness is through our schools programme, my mum goes in and speaks to classes about type 1 diabetes.

"When I go into schools with her and I meet other young people, a few of them have had type 1 diabetes and they tell me that they've looked me up and know my story and that they feel they'll be able to do things because they've seen me do them.

### **Project information**

### Lochlan's Legacy £30,000.

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The charity was awarded the grant to allow its youth steering group to design, develop and deliver four roadshows around Ayrshire for young people with type 1 diabetes, their friends and siblings. The project will benefit 120 young people and at least 18 young people will volunteer on the steering group.

My dream is for Lochlan's Legacy to grow as big as possible, reach more people, and raise a lot more awareness. My main goal is to remove the stigma around type 1 diabetes.

"It feels good to hear this feedback because I'm just being nice and helping people, but it lets me see that what I'm doing is working.

I think I'll always be the face of Lochlan's Legacy, and I'll always play a part in running the charity."



With his love of football and enjoyment of PE at school, Lochlan does at least one of these activities every day and would love to turn his passion for football into a career when he's older.

"When I leave school, I want to go to college. My favourite subjects are business and PE. I would like to do something that combines the two things, maybe become a sports analysist but if the sports thing doesn't go to plan, I would be happy to work for the charity full time.

"Getting the Young Start funding enabled us to run events and make our ideas a reality. One of these ideas was to create a questionnaire and take it to local schools. We got over 1,000 responses. We're also planning a roadshow to raise awareness of type 1 diabetes, in Ayrshire and hopefully throughout Scotland."

> We couldn't do any of this without the Young Start funding we've received.

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### **Funding figures**

In 2023/24 the Reclaim Fund distributed a net income of £95,244,000 across the UK. Scotland received 8.4% giving an indicative budget of £8,001,000.

Subsequently, we made 101 Young Start grants totalling £8,427,643 for projects across Scotland. This was the highest volume of awards we made in one year since the programme opened to applications in 2012.

The following table shows the funding that was made available to distribute to Young Start projects in the 2023/24 financial year.

Available to Scotland	£8,001,000
Recoveries of grant	£68,000
Grant commitments made	£8,517,000
Deficit for the year	(£449,000)
Balance of funds brought forward	£17,208,000
Balance of funds carried forward at 31 March 2024	£16,759,000*

\*Funds carried forward as of 31 March 2024 enable us to meet planned grant commitments of  $\pm 8$  million per year over the next two years.

### **Application trends**

We accept Young Start applications all year round. Our eight local place teams support applicants, assess applications, and manage the grants, ensuring that the work we do is informed by wider local knowledge and connections.

There was a continued increase in Young Start applications this year, up 24% from the previous year.

Applications were submitted from 29 of Scotland's 32 local authority areas with awards made in 28 of those.

The figures below show applications received and funded from 1 April 2023-31 March 2024 in comparison to the previous year.

Available to Scotland
Total applications
Total grants awarded
Success rate
Repeat applications
Percentage repeat applications
Successful repeat applications
Success rate of repeat applications
Average award value
1 Year awards
1-2 Year awards
2-3 Year awards



2022/23	2023/24
98	122
85	101
85%	89%
50	50
50%	44%
39	38
78%	76%
£84,745	£83,442
4%	5%
20%	34%
76%	61%

## Nagad finds her voice on the Scottish stage

After being forced to flee Somalia in 2021 aged just 17, Nagad Hassan Sharif arrived in Glasgow alone, without friends or family. Overwhelmed by her new surroundings Nagad developed social anxiety, spending most of her time on her own in her flat. That's until she found Young Company, a youth theatre group that transformed her life.

Nagad, said: "I have always been interested in the theatre but in Somalia, there weren't many opportunities to get involved in acting for women and girls. My father didn't like acting because as a Somali woman you belong to someone, and you are supposed to have a family and produce children."

Apprehensive but undeterred, Nagad added: "I first heard about Young Company, a charity for immigrant people interested in the arts, through GMAC (Glasgow Media Access Centre). One of the members said there was a group of young people acting and told me I should get in touch. I had only ever acted in Somali language, never in English so I was quite nervous to go along."

At first, Nagad would watch the group perform. It took time, but eventually, she plucked up the courage to take to the stage herself. "When it was my first time performing, I was so nervous, I was sweating and shaking. That first night I was terrible but did my best, and the next night I was a little bit better.

Young Company is like a family, but for me that is especially true as they are my only family here.

"I wouldn't have been able to do any of it without the support from the group. Our coach Neil was so patient with me. When I first joined my English wasn't good, but he didn't tell me to go away and learn English. Instead, he helped me and accepted me for who I am."

At the time Nagad joined, Young Company was preparing for a play. After another group member dropped out Nagad was asked to take on an important role.



### **Project information** Young Company £83,539.

Young Company, run by The Citizens Theatre, is a Glasgow-based group that offer members aged 18 to 24 a chance to develop their skills in the world of theatre and performance. The project is using its funding to help young people build confidence, by offering them a space to explore who they are, and the issues that shape their lives.

"It was my first proper performance. It was hard to understand the language, but all the other young people were very nice and helped me a lot. That's what makes acting so unique the way you support each other emotionally."

"Going from Somalia to performing on the Scottish stage was an unbelievable experience. Stepping out onto the stage for the first time was a big step. But, since that very first day with Young Company, I have loved every minute."

Nagad is thankful for how many opportunities she now has in the world of performing arts, a world that she was



previously excluded from. "In Somalia men play the women's roles because often women are not allowed to go on the stage. Women here in Scotland have a lot of freedom.

"For example, we all went to see a show in Edinburgh with lots of female characters, and I thought that I'd never be able to perform this in Somalia. In Somalia, as a woman, I wouldn't even be able to go and see a play.

"Thanks to the Young Company, I am a happier and more confident person. It has completely changed my outlook for the future and my ambition is to one day become a professional actress."

### **Impact of the rising cost-of-living**

Before applying, organisations have a conversation with a funding officer to ensure this programme is right for them. We know from these conversations, and those we have with grant holders, that organisations are feeling the impact of rising costs.

To support those continuing to deliver in tough times, we offered all Young Start grantholders a cost-of-living increase to their current award with 125 organisations taking up the offer totalling £188,991.

Most grants are for three years which provides some longer term stability. However we have noticed an increase in projects running 12 to 24 months (up 14%) while the average award amount has not changed. This higher proportion of shorter projects suggests that increasing costs are affecting project design.

### **Outcomes and Themes**

All Young Start projects must meet at least one programme outcome although many projects meet two or more.

### Young Start Awards by Outcome 2023/24.

Outcome	2022/23	2023/24
Healthy	65%	83%
Connected	53%	48%
Enterprising	44%	48%

\*These figures are based on awarded grants, however as some projects meet more than one outcome, the figures do not add up to 100%.

The Healthy outcome, which includes both mental and physical health and wellbeing, was met the most, increasing by 28%.

### **Telling the Young Start story**

Scottish diabetes campaigner to hit road after Young Start grant' - The National

**'Movement Park** celebrates £72,000 from Young Start fund' - Clydebank Post



With funding reaching into local communities, Young Start stories like that of Grady Kinnell, 19, from Kinross resonated with regional media. Grady's story also received comments of support on Facebook with the post reaching over 3,000 people.

Grady is a volunteer at KYTHE, a Perth based charity which provides a range of youth work activities such as mental health support, study clubs, and CV writing workshops. On attending its free after school sessions when he was younger, Grady said: "Before I joined, I had no idea what I wanted to do as a career, but thanks to the sessions, I've found my passion - music. I'm now in my second year at university studying music, and I'm in a few bands. I've played at a couple of fundraising events for KYTHE and it's great to know that I'm helping give back to an amazing charity which gave me so much."

Stories were also told in national media including a piece on the BBC Scotland news website and a live interview on BBC Scotland's The Nine programme celebrating a Young Start award to Lochlan's Legacy. Lochlan and his mother, Lesley, spoke live on the programme about the funding that would allow his charity to take its message to young people across Scotland. Read Lochlan's story on page 6.



**'Lanarkshire** charity awarded £100K for inclusive youth programme' Daily Record

## Young leader combines his passions for nature and teaching others

Teenager, Rory Stuart has been involved with Youth Vision for the past seven years. He recalls happily how he first heard about the charity through his school. It was his first time doing anything related to woodwork, he loved it and has never looked back.

Until recently Rory was at college, but he decided that it wasn't for him, and instead is undertaking a six-month, practical training course with Youth Vision to become a Youth Project Worker.

At the end of the six months, he will have a formal qualification. As part of his training, Rory has developed an interest in nature and traditional craftmanship, from learning woodworking skills to traditional tool sharpening methods.

He is also devising and managing six sessions leading young people through different activities.

17-year-old Rory said: "I never thought I would be a youth leader but now I really enjoy doing it. I get to go to lots of places I've never been to and lead groups on trips that we've been on.



### **Project information**

### Youth Vision £77,955.

Balerno based Youth Vision offers young leaders the chance to mentor younger participants in nature based educational activities, gaining valuable life skills along the way. The young leaders contribute to the planning and execution of the organisation's outdoor learning initiatives, with the opportunity to gain formal qualifications and support in working towards employment.

"I've realised through working with Youth Vision that I'm best working with young people my age. I like teaching them new skills that I've learned."

As part of his next session, Rory asked the young people what activities they would like to do, and outdoor cookery came out on top. He said: "I'm enjoying training to be a youth worker and feel lucky to lead sessions. I sometimes find the admin involved a bit stressful, but I know I can ask the staff at Youth Vision to help me."

Rory, who is now also a paid employee with Youth Vision two days per week, is keen to emphasise the difference its Young Start project is making.

Thinking about his future, Rory said: "I know I'll move on and work for another organisation in the future, but I hope I am always involved with Youth Vision in some way. This experience has taught me so much about myself and what I want to achieve going forward."

**Enterprising** 

It is always open to young people who need somewhere to go and lets them experience new places and learn life skills.
I know this because it has taught me how to cook and about foraging and nature. I can teach you how to make coffee from nettles.





### Embedding the voice of young people

Over the years Young Start has been refined to ensure it keeps its original ethos of helping children and young people reach their full potential. Now, we want to do more.

In October 2023 we started a two-year development project conducting research into how we might refresh Young Start, and centring children and young people in the work of the Young Start programme. We want children and young people's thoughts and experiences to be front and centre. Taking a test and learn approach, we are exploring ways to shift the power closer to those who are experts by experience; the children and young people of Scotland.

### What we've done <mark>so far</mark>

We started by conducting a range of desk research and looked at some of the fantastic work done by other funders and third sector organisations. We were particularly interested in learning more about participatory grant making, co-production and meaningful engagement, as well as learning and evaluation processes.

Our first big engagement was a series of consultations with internal funding teams who spend their time talking with and engaging with community groups all over Scotland. Over 40 members of staff told us about some of the challenges and opportunities that they see in the current Young Start programme and shared feedback they have received from applicants and grant holders over the years.

### Next steps

We want children and young people to help us define success for this project, so we'll speak with groups of children and young people from five Young Start funded projects across Scotland. We want to know how we can best listen to them, and how they know they are being respected. We will also spend time with staff at each organisation, getting their views too.

Other plans include developing and coproducing a video with children and young people to explore what we mean when we think about youth-led work, or work that empowers children and young people.

We want to learn from children and young people to hone our understanding and ensure their experiences are at the forefront.



### Young Horticulturist finds her path mentoring others

### **Project information**

### Hansel Alliance £100,000

Bridging the Gap Project based in Ayr supports young people with additional support needs as they move from school towards paid employment. It does this by providing work experience, employability support and accredited awards to build skills and confidence. Over two years personalised, and intensive support will be provided to 30 young people.

Unsurprisingly, the COVID-19 pandemic left many young people feeling isolated and worried for their future. But for 22-year-old Sam Wilson, it was the added pressure of waiting for an autism diagnosis that left her feeling unsure of where her passions and interests lay.

Lacking in direction, Sam admits she had been coasting through various college courses that didn't interest or excite her. That was until she was introduced to Bridging The Gap.

Sam said: "Before I found the project, I had no work or volunteer experience, and my confidence was low. I had been going through some health assessments and didn't know what support I needed or where to go.

"Gardening and being outside was always something I was interested in so my work coach at the Job Centre thought it would be good to get me some work experience," Sam explained. I feel more
 confident in
 applying for jobs
 and I'm feeling
 positive about the
 future.
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Delivered by the Hansel Foundation, the Bridging the Gap project provides horticultural work experience, accredited volunteering, and health and wellbeing awards for young people with additional support needs.

Sam quickly immersed herself in various aspects of grounds maintenance such as weeding, planting trees, and maintaining paths.

Over time, she progressed in her role and became a buddy, developing her leadership skills whilst supporting new participants as they joined the project.

She also attended health and wellbeing and volunteering courses at the Hansel Alliance on Wednesday nights. Sam said. "I've also made new friends and got

> I thought I had no opportunities before but with the support of Hansel Alliance, I am finally doing something that gets me outside, keeps me busy, and most importantly is something that I love.



Saltire Awards for volunteering."

A standout moment for Sam was her involvement in transforming Hansel's woodland area into "Spooky Woods" for Halloween. Sam spear-headed the project, putting her creative ideas into play, and leading the team in executing them. She explained, "My favourite thing is the creativity I can have."

Sam now has her autism diagnosis and is transitioning into a mentoring role for new participants.





### **Breakdown of awards by local authority**

### (Between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024)

The following figures are based on the 'beneficiary location listed by applicant'. As a project may support young people in more than one area, the figures below show the number of applications and awards that are delivering in each local authority area and will be higher than the total number of applications received.

Project Location	Applications Received	Awards Made	Amount Awarded to Project Location
Aberdeen City	1	1	£60,000
Aberdeenshire	1	1	£84,500
Angus	2	2	£157,205
Argyll and Bute	1	2	£141,976
City of Edinburgh	17	13	£1,164,178
Clackmannanshire	2	2	£195,545
Dundee City	4	4	£319,177
Dumfries and Galloway	3	4	£339,942
East Ayrshire	2	2	£115,970
East Dunbartonshire	1	1	£66,261
East Lothian	0	0	£0
East Renfrewshire	2	1	£98,982
Eilean Siar	0	0	£0
Falkirk	3	3	£285,386
Fife	2	3	£288,075
Glasgow City	21	22	£1,795,173
Highland	4	3	£266,222
Inverclyde	3	2	£142,615
Midlothian	1	1	£60,000
Moray	3	2	£149,966
North Ayrshire	1	0	£0
North Lanarkshire	6	6	£525,138
Orkney Islands	0	0	£0
Perth and Kinross	6	3	£237,598
Renfrewshire	7	5	£434,648
Scottish Borders	3	1	£78,812
Shetland Islands	1	2	£157,079
South Ayrshire	1	2	£200,000
South Lanarkshire	4	3	£272,617
Stirling	2	3	£267,506
West Dunbartonshire	3	3	£237,470
West Lothian	4	4	£285,603
Scotland Wide	2	0	£0

### Breakdown of awards by activity

### (Between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024)

Here's how Young Start awards break down by project activity \* each project can be counted in multiple activity groups.

Activity	Awards	Awarded Amount
Arts	24	£2,038,172
Building Works/Refurbishment	6	£464,173
Community Facilities	33	£2,598,530
Digital	10	£818,144
Education, Employment and Training	37	£3,030,841
Environment	3	£207,933
Event/Holiday	19	£1,497,274
Health and Wellbeing	48	£3,987,245
Heritage	2	£199,999
Information, Advice and Awareness Raising	6	£557,580
Intervention	2	£197,255
Prevention	4	£394,534
Promotional	13	£1,022,510
Research/Evaluation	9	£768,209
Social/Community	15	£1,219,153
Sport	21	£1,554,451
Transport/Travel	30	£2,624,513
Volunteering	79	£6,625,884

Whilst funding was awarded to a broad range of projects, volunteering and health and wellbeing activities came out on top. This is consistent with the previous year and aligns with the sectorwide drive to support young people's health and wellbeing and opportunities to connect with their community.

Projects around education, employment and training were also prevalent, including those supporting young people as they transition from school to adult life.



### Full list of awards made between 1st April 2023 and 31st March 2024

Organisation	Project Name	Awarded Amount	Project Length in Years	Local Authority	Scottish Parliamentary Constituency	Project Summary	Intended impact
Ando Glaso SCIO	Roma Creative Hub	£100,000	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Shettleston	This group will establish a creative hub to work with Roma young people in Glasgow to celebrate their culture and heritage through music and dance, and to provide support, opportunities and training to enable the young people to transition into work.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Art Angel (Scotland) Limited	Art Angel	£98,820	3	Dundee City	Dundee City West	This group will run drama, art and creative workshops for young people moving from child to adult psychiatry services, helping them to manage the transition and keep good mental health.	Healthy
Ayrshire Film Company Community Interest Company	TVAyrshire	£85,970	3	East Ayrshire	Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley	This group will develop the media skills of young people from all over Ayrshire in preparation for working in the creative industries.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Barrhead Housing Association Limited	Brighter Futures Barrhead	£98,982	3	East Renfrewshire	Renfrewshire South	This group will set up a youth board to consult young people on activities and decisions. It will also employ a project officer to support young tenants, 24 and under, to maintain a tenancy and live independently.	Healthy, Connected
Bellshill & Mossend YMCA	Y Hang Out Seniors Mentoring Programme	£99,468	3	North Lanarkshire	Uddingston and Bellshill	This group will develop its Y Hang Out project for young people aged 8 to 15 from Bellshill. It provides them with their own space to shape and be involved in activities that support their wellbeing, confidence and optimism for the future. The project will support over 200 young people and involve over ten volunteers.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Blantyre Soccer Academy SCIO	BSA Coach Education Programme	£74,390	2	South Lanarkshire	Rutherglen	This group will deliver a football coach education employability programme to take local young people through accredited SFA and UEFA training courses. The peer-led project will increase their employability, health and wellbeing.	Healthy, Enterprising
Brechin Community Football Trust	The Glebe	£90,200	3	Angus	Angus North and Mearns	This trust will deliver youth work with three key themes: wellbeing, community work, and accreditation. A new youth space will be developed providing activities and community events so that young people can achieve accreditations such as Dynamic Youth and Saltire Awards.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising

Organisation	Project Name	Awarded Amount	Project Length in Years	Local Authority	Scottish Parliamentary Constituency	Project Summary	Intended impact
Brechin Youth Project	Striving Towards a Quarter Century of Successful Youth Work	£67,005	2	Angus	Angus North and Mearns	This organisation will continue its youth drop- in centre in Brechin, delivering a variety of activities for young people 12-24 years of age, as well as a providing an informal space to socialise. Through this, it will enable young people to build social connections, and learn new skills and interests.	Connected
Central Carers Association Falkirk And Clackmannan	Young carer involvement and participation	£90,725	2	Falkirk	Falkirk West	This project will ensure that the voices and experiences of young carers and young adult carers shape services at local and national levels. A Young Carers Involvement Worker will support young people to build their confidence and skills.	Healthy, Enterprising
Community Renewal Trust	GRYP 2024 - Roma young people - their project their lives!	£98,149	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Southside	This group will deliver a youth development project working specifically with young people from the Roma community in Govanhill. The project will support them to gain practical experience and empower them to build on their strengths, develop ideas, and connect with local organisations to enhance their opportunities.	Enterprising, Connected
Connect Alloa	Connect and Grow	£98,478	3	Clackmannanshire	Clackmannanshire and Dunblane	The group will continue to deliver a peer-led programme of recreational and wellbeing activities aimed at young people aged 10- 19 years. It will reduce isolation, as well as promoting positive mental wellbeing. Activities will be facilitated by an existing Project Leader and 50 young people will benefit. 10 volunteers will provide assistance over three years.	Healthy
Connecting Carers	Connecting Young Carers	£99,000	3	Highland	Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch	This group will improve the physical and emotional wellbeing of children and young carers by addressing the impact of adverse childhood experiences associated with caregiving responsibilities. It will provide community-based activities and counselling to foster positive family relationships. It will also support young carers in schools by organising peer support groups.	Healthy, Connected
Create Paisley SCIO	CREATE Opportunities - Wellbeing, Creativity and Pathways	£91,063	3	Renfrewshire	Paisley	This group will expand and develop its arts- based drop-in programme. It will use creative activities to engage young people in informal youth work support, promoting positive mental health and emotional wellbeing .	Healthy

Organisation	Project Name	Awarded Amount	Project Length in Years	Local Authority	Scottish Parliamentary Constituency	Project Summary	Intended impact
Dumfries & Galloway Citizens Advice Service	Activating Youth Engagement (AYE)	£64,474	3	Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfriesshire	This group will employ a youth engagement worker to support the development of a dedicated citizens advice youth service across Dumfries and Galloway with input from existing young employees and volunteers, and in collaboration with youth groups and other organisations working with under-25s across the region. Over three years, around 684 young people and 21 volunteers will take part in the project.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Dundee Crisis Pregnancy Trust	Updating Download - Youth Service Redevelopment	£98,000	3	Dundee City	Dundee City West	The group will redevelop their talking therapies service to provide more intervention and support for young people struggling with mental health issues.	Healthy
Eden Court Highlands	Futures Studio	£77,222	3	Highland	Inverness and Nairn	This group will deliver a new, youth-led creative project for young people (14-24 years of age) facing complex challenges in the Highland and Moray areas. It will improve the mental health and wellbeing of 72 young people through weekly, professionally led creative sessions in areas such as filmmaking, sound design, photography and performing.	Healthy, Enterprising
Elgin Youth Development Group	Y Lead	£99,966	3	Moray	Moray	This group will deliver a project for young people aged 11-18 focusing on youth participation, youth voice and training while building on their youth-led youth work. The group will also continue to develop their employability and training programmes.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Elutheria Company Ltd	Kids Well +	£98,835	3	North Lanarkshire	Coatbridge and Chryston	This organisation will continue to deliver its inclusive youth programme to improve the confidence and social skills of young people from Bargeddie. The project will provide weekly activities for young people with opportunities and learning offered in STEM, IT, arts, sports, and healthy eating. There will also be a homework club and educational day trips during school holidays.	Healthy
Erskine Arts	Creative Crew	£90,000	3	Renfrewshire	Renfrewshire North and West	This group will continue their youth arts provision based in Erskine, Renfrewshire. This three-year project will benefit 150 young people aged 13-18 years and engage 20 volunteers over three years.	Healthy, Enterprising

Organisation	Project Name	Awarded Amount	Project Length in Years	Local Authority	Scottish Parliamentary Constituency	Project Summary	Intended impact
Feeling Strong SCIO	Beating The Odds	£99,987	3	Dundee City	Dundee City West	The group will create holistic wraparound support for young people in Dundee struggling with mental health issues. This will include crisis support as well as longer- term preventative work that is tailored to the individual. The work will reach 1,795 young people across Dundee.	Healthy
Fire & Peace Recovery	Youth Movement	£41,732	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Anniesland	The group will use the funding to deliver a programme of camping trips and outdoor activities for young people in the Drumchapel area of Glasgow.	Healthy
Get Active Coaching CIC	Get Active Ambassadors	£96,000	3	Renfrewshire	Paisley	This group will use the funding to improve access to sport and physical activity, by building a network of community-based, multi-sports clubs across Renfrewshire.	Healthy, Enterprising
Glasgow and Clyde Rape Crisis	The Fair Play Programme	£100,000	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Kelvin	This group will deliver the 'Fair Play' programme focusing on preventing gender- based violence in sport. The project will provide support sessions and workshops for young people that challenge discriminatory attitudes/behaviours and reduce the acceptance of sexual and gender-based violence in sport.	Healthy, Connected
Glasgow Girls FC	S'porting Wellbeing of Females	£34,249	1	Glasgow City	Glasgow Provan	This group will develop its peer-led mentoring project, including training for young mentors and volunteers, alongside other activities that support the physical, mental and emotional wellbeing of young girls aged 8-24 from the east end of Glasgow.	Healthy, Connected
Go Kids Performing Arts Scotland	GKPA Future Friday	£85,077	2	North Lanarkshire	Motherwell and Wishaw	This group will provide young people aged 14-25 years with the support needed to manage their mental health and to develop skills to help them cope with trauma. The young people will participate in weekly performing arts activities and monthly peer led sessions exploring subjects including bereavement, suicide and addictions.	Healthy, Enterprising

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Go Youth Trust	GYT / Go! Youth Trust	£97,509	2	Falkirk	Falkirk West	The group will support young people aged 10-25 from across Falkirk in building their confidence and skills through free year- round drop-in sessions. The youth work team will work with 300 young people and 20 volunteers over 3 years.	Healthy, Enterprising
Gorbals Youth Cafe	Go Aspire	£78,903	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Southside	This group will develop and deliver their Youth Work trainee programme for young people aged 16 -18 in the Gorbals who are not currently in employment or education. It will involve trainees in developing and implementing youth work activities whilst developing their skills in youth work, leading to accreditation and further opportunities in the field.	Healthy, Enterprising
Governors Of Dean Orphanage & Cauvins Trust	Voice and Wellbeing Project	£99,347	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Western	This group will work with young people aged 14 to 24 in Corstorphine to help them develop self-confidence, independent living skills, employability skills and improved wellbeing. It will create a wellbeing programme promoting community connections, and skills development, as well as supplying a critical response to poverty.	Healthy
Grantown YMCA Community Centre SCIO	Youth Workers salaries	£50,000	3	Moray	Inverness and Nairn	This group will use the funding for their youth work activities at Grantown-on- Spey Community Centre. The project will support 130 young people through a holistic programme of youth-led activities and interventions including skills workshops, recreational opportunities, counselling services and community mentoring.	Healthy, Connected
Growing 2gether	Support and Skills to Realise Potential	£90,000	2	Highland	Inverness and Nairn	This group will provide young people with activities and training that build skills and bring them together for a summer event. It has evolved from a previous project where young people consulted with the local community to identify issues and developed their own community project partnering with local mentors.	Healthy, Enterprising
Haldane Youth Services	Community Futures ' Realising our Young Peoples' Potential	£84,011	3	West Dunbartonshire	Dumbarton	This group will develop an existing out- of-school and school holiday programme for children and young people in and around Haldane, Balloch. It will support their wellbeing, strengthening connections across their community, and linking them to future education, employment and training opportunities.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising

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Hansel Alliance	Bridging the Gap	£100,000	2	South Ayrshire	Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley	This project will support young people with additional support needs as they move from school towards paid employment. Based in Symington near Ayr, the group provides horticultural work experience, accredited volunteering, and health and wellbeing awards. 30 young people will benefit over the two years of the project.	Connected, Enterprising
Heart and Sound	Youth Impact Workshops, Drop- ins and Volunteer Training	£97,320	2	Fife	Dunfermline	This group will continue to provide youth music projects, digital arts, sports and other activities for 11-19-year-olds. This will improve young people's core skills, raise confidence and provide volunteer opportunities. This two-year project will have around 150 participants and 30 volunteers.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
HorseBack UK	Youth Development Programme	£84,500	3	Aberdeenshire	Aberdeenshire West	This group will run a series of 12-week personal development courses for young people aged 16-24 . The course will develop resilience and discover hidden talents as a stepping stone towards further education or employment. The young people who take part are experiencing difficult circumstances or facing mental health or neurodiverse challenges. Six courses will be run over three years enabling 72 young people and 30 volunteers to take part.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Ignite Theatre	Ignite Arts Programme	£99,000	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow Anniesland	The group will deliver a programme of drama and art workshops to young people aged 8 to 21 in the Knightswood area. Over the three years, approximately 300 young people and 15 volunteers will benefit.	Healthy
Imaginate	Creative Encounters	£74,695	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Western	This group will expand on their 'Creative Encounters' pilot project in schools. Young people aged 8-12 will work with artists to co- create five performances and a child's rights manifesto culminating in a showcase event.	Enterprising
Include Me 2 Club SCIO	Positive Pathways	£77,259	3	Glasgow City	Renfrewshire South	This group will use the funding to continue and expand their programme of personal development and supported volunteering and work placements for young people in East Renfrewshire, Renfrewshire and Glasgow with Additional Support Needs.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising

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Inspired Community Enterprise Trust Ltd	Breaking down barriers	£95,953	3	Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfriesshire	This group will support young adults with learning disabilities and additional support needs who have completed their employability and SVQ training programme. A new employability mentor will work with young people to identify suitable career opportunities and provide the support needed to secure and sustain employment.	Enterprising
Killin and Ardeonaig Community Development Trust Limited	Killin Youth Project	£72,487	3	Stirling	Stirling	The group will provide a programme of peer- led recreational activities for young people aged 10-15 in Killin. The project will reduce isolation among participants by promoting social interaction through the planning and delivery of activities. 180 young people will benefit from the project, with 12 volunteers will providing assistance over three years.	Healthy
Kinross- shire Youth Enterprise (KYTHE) SCIO	Programme for Drop-in, Activities & Work	£90,000	3	Perth and Kinross	Perthshire South and Kinross- shire	This group will deliver their youth work project, supporting young people aged 11-19. The group will provide drop-ins, scheduled activities, and workshops to help young people feel connected and supported.	Healthy, Enterprising
Kirkcudbright Development Trust	Core funding	£83,870	3	Dumfries and Galloway	Galloway and West Dumfries	This group will continue delivering their youth project providing young people in Kirkcudbright with safe opportunities to socialise with peers, as well as supporting them with issues affecting them.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
LANDED Peer Education Service	Building Resilience and Increasing Life Chances for Young People	£100,000	2	North Lanarkshire	Motherwell and Wishaw	This project will work with young people aged 16-24 from disadvantaged backgrounds and those who are marginalised from society. The project will recruit, train, and support young people to become volunteer peer educators and mentors on age-relevant health education issues.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Let's Talk (Young People) CIC	Feel Good Project	£100,000	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Eastern	This group will deliver their 'Feel Good' project for young people who have experienced developmental trauma or early adversity. Let's Talk activities will be delivered by trained mental health practitioners who work to build the resilience and mental wellbeing of the young people who attend.	Healthy

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Liber8 (Lanarkshire Limited)	GoTo Service	£99,255	3	South Lanarkshire	Rutherglen	The group will use the funding to deliver counselling for young people experiencing mild mental health, emotional and/or behavioural issues.	Healthy
Linlithgow Young People's Project	Youth Volunteering Project	£86,955	3	West Lothian	Linlithgow	The group will expand the number of youth volunteering opportunities available to young people by creating a formal Youth Volunteering Programme where young people will be co-creators of and lead in line with their own passions, skills, and interests.	Healthy
Lochlan's Legacy	T1D and ME ' Giving Youth a Voice'	£30,000	1	East Ayrshire	Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley	The group will build on the work of their Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) youth steering group to design, develop, and deliver four roadshows around Ayrshire for young people with T1D, their friends and siblings. Content, on the themes of diabetes management and technology, relationships, education and sport will be designed by the young people on the steering group.	Healthy
Make and Create Arts	Inspiring Young Creatives	£69,918	3	North Lanarkshire	Airdrie and Shotts	This group will run a creative arts programme for young people in North Lanarkshire. The project will support the wellbeing of young people by building their confidence and allowing them to explore further skills development opportunities for a career in the creative industries.	Healthy, Enterprising
Methilhill Community Children's Initiative Ltd	Young Volunteers	£90,985	2	Fife	Kirkcaldy	This group will use the funding to provide youth work and volunteering activities for children eight and over. This will help young people better prepare for the future through activities where they gain new skills and experiences.	Healthy, Connected
Mind Mosaic Child and Family Therapies	Highways to Hero's/Changes and Choices	£60,000	2	Inverclyde	Greenock and Inverclyde	This organisation will continue its Highways to Heroes activities – using super hero values to find the super hero within the young people they support. They will also be able to create a new peer support group for young people living through grief, loss and change.	Healthy

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OPEN SCIO	Da Café & Peer Mentoring Programme	£92,014	3	Shetland Islands	Shetland Islands	This group will continue and expand Shetland's only peer mentoring programme and youth café, Da Café. They will provide peer mentoring opportunities for care- experienced young people aged 14-25, with trained mentors carefully matched based on their age and shared experiences. This project will work with at least 600 young people and involve at least 18 volunteers.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Paisley YMCA	Full STEAM Ahead!	£99,999	3	Renfrewshire	Paisley	This group will use the funding to sustain a programme of activities and clubs for children and young people aged 8 to 16 from the Renfrewshire area. The group will work with 465 young preople including 15 volunteers.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
PEEK- Possibilities for Each and Every Kid Ltd	PEEK CREATE	£99,000	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow Shettleston	This group will use the funding to provide a multi-tiered creative arts programme for children and young people aged 8-18 across the north east of Glasgow.	Healthy, Enterprising
Project 81 Youth and Community Enterprise Ltd	Route 81 - Back to the Future!	£92,709	2	Argyll and Bute	Dumbarton	This group will engage young people aged 11-17 in a diverse programme of youth-led activities and learning opportunities. Young people from the Helensburgh & Lomond area will take part in this person-centred, holistic youth programme supported by an experienced youth worker.	Healthy, Connected
PUSH (Perth & Kinross) Limited	iWork Employability Programme	£60,000	3	Perth and Kinross	Perthshire North	The group will deliver an employability training programme aimed at young people aged 16-25 with additional support needs, helping them move into other support groups, employment, or further education. The project will benefit 45 young people.	Enterprising
Radical Weavers Limited	Nip & Tuck - Here we Sew Again	£96,720	3	Stirling	Stirling	The group will deliver a peer-led programme where young people in Stirling and Clackmannanshire who are nonbinary or transgender, neurodiverse, or who have experienced the care system will participate in clothing alteration workshops. The activity will provide practical skills, reduce isolation and be facilitated by a qualified tutor.	Healthy
Regen: FX Youth Trust	Springhall & Whitlawburn Youth Development Team	£98,972	2	South Lanarkshire	Rutherglen	This group will deliver youth work activity and training for 200 young people aged 8 to 25. The service will operate over four or five evenings a week and at weekends. There will also be 20 volunteering opportunities.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising

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Scotland Yard Adventure Centre	The Yard - Fun and Friendship Sessions	£90,000	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Central	This group will use the funding for its Fun and Friendship Club for disabled young people. The club runs once a fortnight at their purpose-built space in Edinburgh. These youth sessions cater to different ages and allow young people to come together in a safe space, make friends, explore new activities, whilst getting the support they need to do this.	Healthy
Scottish Afro Caribbean Arts Association (SACAA)	Be Empowered - Youth Project	£57,586	2	Renfrewshire	Paisley	This group will support children and young people from ethnic minority backgrounds to have increased access to music and dance, arts, and sports-based activities. It will work with 180 children and young people from across Renfrewshire over three years.	Healthy
Scottish Disability Sport	Young Start Apprenticeship	£100,000	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Western	This group will provide opportunities for young people to gain sports coaching qualifications and develop leadership skills. It will also expand their apprenticeship programme which offers training and experience to young people. The group will work with 100 young people and 90 volunteers directly but with a wider impact on around 3,000 young people.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs	Routes	£99,997	3	West Dunbartonshire	Strathkelvin and Bearsden	This organisation will use the funding to pay for a Support Assistant that will lead groups and offer day-to-day support to young people using their Routes service, focused on supporting children and young people affected by someone else's alcohol and other drug use.	Healthy
Scottish Music Information Centre Ltd	Musicares- National music mentoring for care experienced young people.	£100,000	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow Kelvin	This group will deliver the only national music mentoring and tuition project designed for care-experienced young people in Scotland. The group will use music as a therapeutic tool to raise the confidence and wellbeing of the young people they work with.	Healthy
Somali Association in Glasgow	SomaliScot Youth Project	£60,605	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow South	This group will deliver a weekly programme of diversionary activities for children and young people from the Somali community and refugee/asylum seeking backgrounds. The project will improve wellbeing and access to social networks by delivering football and activities in three community venues in the south side of Glasgow.	Healthy, Connected

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Sound Lab	The Amplify Programme	£78,100	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Cathcart	This group will expand their music tuition and education programme for young people in Glasgow, Renfrewshire, West Dunbartonshire and Lanarkshire. The project will work with care-experienced young people from migrant communities and young people with disabilities. The project will benefit 700 young people, of which 500 will receive intensive support, and ten volunteers.	Healthy, Connected
Space @ The Broomhouse Hub	WOW Project! (Wellbeing onto Work)	£95,213	2	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Pentlands	This group will use the funding to deliver its programme of skills and training opportunities for young people in South West Edinburgh, helping to prepare them for employment, education or volunteering.	Healthy, Enterprising
Spartans Community Foundation	Here for Good	£99,300	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Northern and Leith	This group will support 450 young people aged 10 to 18 through regular weekly clubs, workshops, day trips, and residential trips. It will also help them to develop self-advocacy and communication skills.	Healthy
Sports & Well- Being For All Trust SCIO	Community Wellbeing Activity Horizons	£26,088	1	West Lothian	Linlithgow	This volunteer-led group will deliver a programme of accessible sports and wellbeing activities to promote physical, mental and emotional wellbeing, and help reduce anti-social behaviour in West Lothian. This project will benefit 150 young people and 20 volunteers .	Healthy, Connected
Standing Tall Scotland Ltd	Standing Tall Scotland Participation Programme	£99,880	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow Kelvin	The group will use the funding to continue to deliver arts, social and cultural activities for unaccompanied young people seeking asylum in Scotland. Approximately 240 young people and six volunteers will benefit from the project.	Healthy, Connected
Stirling Community Enterprise Limited	Resilient Futures	£98,299	3	Stirling	Stirling	The group will deliver a peer-led programme aimed at young people in the Raploch area of Stirling who are not engaged in education, employment or training, and who are involved in anti-social behaviour, or at risk of coming into contact with the criminal justice system. A Peer Mentor will undertake street outreach activities to guide individuals toward the group's range of employability courses and practical training opportunities.	Enterprising
Regen: FX Youth Trust	Springhall & Whitlawburn Youth Development Team	£98,972	2	South Lanarkshire	Rutherglen	This group will deliver youth work activity and training for 200 young people aged 8 to 25. The service will operate over four or five evenings a week and at weekends giving 28 hours of engagement each week. There will also be 20 volunteering opportunities.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising

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The Carrick Centre	The Carrick Centre - Youth Hub Project	£100,000	2	South Ayrshire	Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley	This group will use the funding to turn an unoccupied property in the centre of Maybole into a youth hub run by and for young people. The dedicated facility will provide a range of activities based on interests expressed by young people, with a particular emphasis on those aged 12-19. The group will also support a Youth Board to play a meaningful role in the project's governance.	Connected
The Citizens Theatre Ltd	Young Company	£83,539	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow Southside	This group will give members aged 18-24 the chance to develop their theatre and performance skills. It with build confidence and offer young people a space to explore who they are. The project will be delivered in the Gorbals and will be moving back into the Citizen's Theatre when the venue reopens.	Healthy, Enterprising
The Fostering Network	Building Connections, Creating Change	£97,551	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Kelvin	This group will empower a representative group of young people in foster care to advocate for positive change for other care-experienced young people. The project seeks to combat stigma, increase understanding across various settings, and improve stability and relationships within foster families. The project will involve over 500 young people and 21 volunteers.	Healthy, Connected
The Junction - Young People, Health & Wellbeing	Young People Health and Wellbeing	£96,091	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Northern and Leith		Healthy
The Larder West Lothian	Power to Grow Programme	£94,132	2	West Lothian	Almond Valley	This group will continue the 'Realising Potential' project and will create a 26-week training programme for young people with additional support needs. This will help participants move into a positive destination of employment, volunteering or further education.	Enterprising

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The National Autistic Society	Empower Up	£99,437	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Kelvin	The group will deliver the Empower Up programme to support a cohort of young autistic people to develop meaningful social connections outside formal education around Glasgow and surrounding areas. This will enable the young people to build their connections, social skills and independence.	Connected
The Pavillion (Greater Easterhouse)	Young Start Progressions Programme	£99,530	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Provan	This group will provide support and development opportunities for young people aged 8 to 18 in Easterhouse. Young people will receive support on any issues they face, with the aim of removing barriers to improving their health and wellbeing. The project will benefit 90 people and ten volunteers.	Healthy, Enterprising
The Pearce Institute	Pride Over Prejudice- 2023	£100,000	3	Glasgow City	Glasgow Pollok	This group will use the funding to deliver a youth arts project that will see young people aged 10-16 explore issues around sectarianism, homophobia, transphobia, and religious intolerance.	Healthy, Connected
The Play Centre Glasgow CIC	Drum Thrives	£33,000	1	Glasgow City	Glasgow Anniesland	This group will deliver employability, skills- building, and leadership programmes to young people from minority ethnic backgrounds in the Drumchapel area of Glasgow.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
The Polar Academy	2024/ 2025 Scotland Training programme	£60,000	1	Midlothian	Falkirk East	This group will provide a physical and mental health training programme for young people aged 13-18 which will culminate in a final expedition to Greenland. The group will select young people who are struggling with confidence, have additional support needs, have mental health issues including anxiety, have experienced bullying, and issues such as absenteeism.	Healthy
The Speech Language	SLCo Dundee Youth Club	£43,135	2	Dundee City	Dundee City West	The group will continue to run their youth club for children and young people with severe speech and communication difficulties. This will include a wide range of activities, decided by the young people themselves. Activities often involve team building, skills development, social events, and trips. The project will work with young people from across Dundee and Tayside.	Healthy, Connected

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The Venture Trust	The Path to a Brighter Future	£95,292	2	City of Edinburgh	Stirling	This group will support young people through intense complex challenges such as adverse childhood experiences, trauma, poverty, abuse, periods of homelessness, and substance use issues. The group will support young people from West Lothian, Midlothian, and Edinburgh.	Healthy
Touch of Love Outreach	Bridging Cultures, Building Futures	£60,000	3	Aberdeen City	Aberdeen South and North Kincardine	This group will deliver a 'Young Achievers' programme which will include a mix of educational, social and recreational activities for young people aged 8 to 16. The project is primarily aimed at young people from the African community but is open to all young people.	Healthy
Twechar Community Action	Twechar Youth Initiative 2	£66,261	3	East Dunbartonshire	Strathkelvin and Bearsden	This grant will enable the continuation of Twechar Youth Initiative, a young person-led programme of activities created for and by young people aged 8-21. Junior and senior classes will run after school during term time and in school holidays.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
U-Evolve	Mindful Futures	£91,505	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Northern and Leith	The group will provide a therapeutic programme of support to young people aged 11 to 18 in Edinburgh. This programme has been developed by young people, and in response to challenges young people face with their mental health and wellbeing. This project will benefit 300 young people and 36 volunteers over the course of three years.	Healthy, Connected
West Dumbartonshire Sports Youth Group	Developing young people through sport	£53,462	3	West Dunbartonshire	Dumbarton	The group will use this funding to provide activities for young people aged 14-21 years in West Dunbartonshire, focusing on developing them into confident young leaders, volunteers and skilled sports coaches.	Healthy
Whiterose Administration and Social Centre (SCIO)	Get Connected!	£53,037	2	Glasgow City	Glasgow Shettleston	This group will use the funding to run their youth volunteer programme in Parkhead. The project is aimed at young people aged 12 years and over and will run a range of community events. The project will benefit 1000 people and 60 volunteers.	Connected, Enterprising

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Wishaw YMCA SCIO	YMCA Wishaw Digital Learning Lab	£71,840	3	North Lanarkshire	Motherwell and Wishaw	This organisation will encourage young people to use its digital Makerspace allowing them to develop their digital skills and supported to undertake their own projects. Young people will develop confidence in project management, problem-solving, and teamwork, as well as experience and qualifications relevant to Scotland's growing digital sector.	Enterprising
Works+	Works+ employability support for unemployed young people aged between 16 and 24	£78,812	3	Scottish Borders	Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale	This group will continue helping unemployed young people in the Scottish Borders to access training and skill development opportunities. This will enable them to secure work, return to education or access further training.	Enterprising
YMCA Glenrothes	Youth @ the "Y"	£99,770	3	Fife	Mid Fife and Glenrothes	This group will use the funding to provide evening, weekend and holiday youth work for those aged 8 to 16 in Glenrothes. This will build confidence, leadership skills and reduce anti-social behaviour. Around 400 participants and 21 volunteers will take part in the project.	Healthy
YMCA Tayside	YMCA Tayside	£87,598	3	Perth and Kinross	Perthshire North	This group will establish a Digital/STEM Skills Hub where young people can come together to learn and explore a variety of new skills which can then be used to develop new business ideas. This project will include a tech drop-in, an enterprise lab, training for girls in STEM, and a mobile digital expo travelling across Tayside. The project will reach 120 young people and will include 10 volunteers.	Enterprising
Youth Enquiry Service Management Committee	The Toon Youth Arts Project	£74,880	3	Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfriesshire	This group will deliver a programme of art and drama workshops covering issues relevant to 12-25 year-olds. Each year this will culminate in 16 performances delivered to pupils from each of Dumfries & Galloway's secondary schools, followed by workshops exploring the issues presented, and further performances at the YouthBeatz music festival.	Healthy, Connected, Enterprising
Youth Impact	Part time salary for 2 Youth Workers	£49,267	2	Argyll and Bute	Argyll and Bute	This group will use the funding to resource its popular youth service, supporting young people aged 12 to 24 in the Campbeltown area. It will provide 250 young people with a fun programme of diversionary activities, drop-ins, and regular intergenerational sessions.	Healthy, Connected

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Youth Theatre Arts Scotland	Next Generation Employability Programme	£67,386	2	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Central	The group will provide disadvantaged young people aged 16-24 with opportunities to train in youth theatre leadership, gain work experience, obtain accredited qualifications in youth work, and develop their CVs and interview skills. It will benefit 100 young people and 40 volunteers.	Enterprising
Youth Vision	Young Leaders Green Learning Pathways	£77,955	3	City of Edinburgh	Edinburgh Pentlands	This organisation will deliver its Young Leaders group who will mentor and lead younger participants in nature-based educational activities. The Young Leaders will actively contribute to the planning and execution of the organisation's outdoor learning initiatives and will benefit from training sessions and skills courses.	Enterprising

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