Equality and Human Rights Fund 2021 – 2024

Application for funding from a partnership

This form is a guide which has all questions required to apply for the Equality and Human Rights Fund as a partnership. It can be used to plan and draft your answers.

Some questions have word limits so please take account of this when drafting your answers.

To apply, copy your answers to the online application form at <https://www.tfaforms.com/4879216> and submit by **midday on Friday 14 May 2021.**

Please note applications received after this point will not be considered.

If applying online is a barrier to you, please contact Inspiring Scotland in advance of the due date, as alternative application methods are available.

Before completing this application, we strongly recommend you read the Equality and Human Rights Fund information and guidance notes.

Please also visit <https://www.inspiringscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/our-funds/equality-and-human-rights/applying-to-equality-and-human-rights> for detail of the documents you need to complete and submit with your application.

These include:

1. A budget detailing costs of the application proposal
2. A copy of your Memorandum and Articles, or Constitution, signed and dated
3. Most recently independently examined or audited accounts or verified statement of income and expenditure for your organisation. If you are a new organisation, please submit your most recent bank statement.
4. A copy of your Equality and Diversity Policy
5. Your signed Declaration Form

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# **Application details**

Name of lead organisation

Name of partner organisations

Name of partnership (if applicable)

Are you applying for new or existing work? Answer with existing, new or both

If your work is new what date will the funded work start?

What date will the funded work finish?

Where did you hear about this fund?

# **Section 1: Tell us about your organisation**

## Separate answers to Section 1 should be completed by all partners as part of the overall submission.

**Question 1.1** Legal name of your organisation

(Other) Known name of your organisation if applicable

**Question 1.2** Registered address for your organisation

Street address

Website address

Social media addresses

**Question 1.3** about the main contact for this application

Name

Position

Telephone

Email address

Correspondence address (if different from organisation address)

**Question 1.4** about the legal form of your organisation

Legal form. Choose from

* Scottish Incorporated Charitable Organisation (SCIO)
* Company Limited by Guarantee
* Community Interest Company
* Public body
* Community Benefit Society
* Limited Liability Partnership
* Co-operative Society
* Other

Charity number

Company number

Year organisation was established

Is your organisation a branch of another organisation? If it is what is the name of the parent company or body?

**Question 1.5** what local authority areas of Scotland do you currently operate in?

**Question 1.6 tell us which of the following list you have to guide you work**

* Safeguarding policy (for children and young people and/or vulnerable adults)
* Data protection (GDPR)
* Equality and diversity policy (attach with your application)
* Health and safety policy
* Risk management policy & procedures
* Financial procedures (conduct)
* Disciplinary and grievance policy & procedures
* Complaints policy & procedures
* Conflict of Interest protocol
* Whistle blowing policy & procedures
* Pay all employed staff the Living Wage or above

**Question 1.7** Separation of duties. Please confirm that you have procedures that ensure one person cannot authorise, make, and record payments.

**Question 1.8** What are the main aims and activities of your organisation how do they relate to the strategic framework of the Equality and Human Rights Fund?

Word limit 500 words

**Question 1.9** How does your organisation take a human rights-based approach to your work? You may wish to use the 5 PANEL principles as detailed in the guidance notes to frame your answer. Word limit 500 words

**Question 1.10** Governance

How many people are on your board?

Tell us about governance, management and lived experience representation in your organisation.

Word limit 500 words

**Question 1.11** Financial position

What was your financial position at the 31 December 2020 (if the accounts submitted with this application are not made up to 31 December 2020 or a later date). Please give us numbers for the following list:

* Fixed assets
* Current assets
* Current liabilities
* Other liabilities
* Net current assets
* Net assets

**Question 1.12** Please provide details of your financial position, as set out in the guidance notes. Word limit 500 words

**Question 1.13** How much of the total being applied for are you requesting? 

# **Section 2: About the work you would like funded**

**Question 2.1** Please give us a brief overview of the work you propose to carry out with this funding. Word limit 100 words

**Question 2.2** about the location of the work you are applying for

Does your proposed work have a national or local remit? Choose from national or local.

If you chose national please provide details of where the work will be based and how it has a national reach

If you chose local please list the main Scottish local authority areas where the people who will benefit from your work live

**Question 2.3** Please detail the activity you will deliver. Word limit 750 words

**Question 2.4** How do you know this work is needed? Word limit 500 words

**Question 2.5** What impact has COVID-19 had on the needs of the people and communities you work with and how has that informed proposed activity? Word limit 500 words

**Question 2.6** about your contribution to the Equality and Human Rights Fund outputs

Which of the fund outputs will your proposed activities deliver? Choose those that apply from the following list

* Civil society develops and delivers work that that is grounded in the progression, protection and realisation of human rights
* Civil society delivers support to address the needs of people facing structural inequalityand develops and delivers work to increase participation and empowerment.
* Civil society partners contribute to delivery of commitments within relevant Scottish Government equality and human right strategies, action plans and documents
* Civil society provides data, learning and insight into the experience of people to support analysis and challenge on equality and human rights issues, across a wide range of policy areas

**Question 2.7** about your contribution to Equality and Human Rights Fund outcomes.

Which of the Scottish Government outcomes for the Equality & Human Rights Fund will your funded work contribute to? Choose those that apply from the following list. There are eight. We do not expect you to choose all of them.

1. People have greater awareness and understanding of their human rights, and how to access them
2. People with protected characteristics have increased access to remedy where their rights have not been upheld
3. People with protected characteristics have increased participation in public life
4. People with protected characteristics have increased influence in decisions that affect them
5. The Scottish Government has better access to data and depth of information about the experiences of people with protected characteristics
6. Actors in civil society increasingly use our domestic and international equality and human rights framework to influence and effect change
7. The experience of people with protected characteristics is increasingly used to inform the policy and practice of public bodies
8. Public services increasingly embed equality and human rights in their strategic planning and their day-to-day functions

For each outcome you have chosen explain how your funded work will contribute to this outcome. Word limit 100 words per outcome

**Question 2.****8** Describe the people and communities who will benefit from the work you plan to do, and how you will engage with them. Word limit 250 words

**Question 2.9** Is your proposed activity specifically focussed on supporting people with protected characteristics? Choose which protected characteristics from the following list

* Age
* Sex
* Sexual orientation
* Gender reassignment
* Disability
* Race
* No specific protected characteristic

**Question 2.10** Will your funded work ensure access for, or specifically address needs of, people who hold more than one protected characteristic or have other barriers to equality? If so, how? Word limit 250 words

**Question 2.11** Please give an estimate of the number of people you will work with over 3 years.

If you will work with organisations please give an estimate of the number.

**Question 2.12** How will you monitor and evaluate the ongoing impact of your work? Word limit 500 words

**Question 2.13** How do you plan to sustain your impact when this funding ends? Word limit 250 words

**Question 2.14** Tell us about your partnership. Why have you come together to deliver this work and how will the partnership work? Word limit 750 words

# **Section 3: Staff and volunteers delivering the proposed work**

**Question 3.1** about the key duties, relevant skill and experience of staff

Please provide a list of the job titles of the staff who will support delivery. Also give the key duties of the listed staff. Word limit 50 per job title

**Question 3.2** Describe training, accreditation and supervision arrangements for all staff and volunteers. Word limit 500 words

**Question 3.3** about fair working practices

The Scottish Government has set out its aspiration to create lasting economic success by building on sustainable growth that also achieves fairness, equality, opportunity and innovation. Examples of this approach are set out in the [Scottish Business Pledge](https://scottishbusinesspledge.scot/) and in the [procurement guidance on fair work practices](http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/10/2086). You might also wish to visit the Fair Work Framework [website](http://www.fairworkconvention.scot/the-fair-work-framework/)

The Scottish Government is keen to promote fair working practices and would encourage funded organisations to have in place policies, practices and procedures which are consistent with promoting fair working practices, including payment of the Living Wage.

Please select from the list below all the practices that are in place or which apply to your organisation. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a copy of the policies that evidence the Fair Working Practices they have identified.

* A fair and equal pay policy including, for example, ensuring no gender discrimination or the monitoring of pay ratios within the organisation (for example paying the real Living Wage) see link to [information sheet](http://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/advice-and-guidance/2018/07/fair-work-practices-in-procurement-toolkit/documents/information-sheets/0e815d45-79e2-4a26-a983-f3514a1351b7/0e815d45-79e2-4a26-a983-f3514a1351b7/govscot%3Adocument/2.%2BFair%2BWork%2B-%2BTookit%2B-%2BInformation%2BSheet%2B-%2BWhat%2Bis%2BFair%2BWork.pdf)
* Investment in skills and training
* Stability of employment and hours of work, and avoiding exploitative employment practices including, for example, no inappropriate use of zero-hours contracts (eg using zero hours contracts when people are working regular hours; exclusive contracts that stop flexible workers working for other people)
* Support progressive workforce engagement, for example, Trade Union or employee association recognition

**Question 3.4** Please tell us how staff from across the partnership will be supported to work together and ensure fund outcomes are met? (Word limit 250 words)

# **Section 4: Proposal budget**

Please complete a budget and upload when completing your application online.

**Question 4.1** about how much funding you require each year. Give figures for year 1, 2, 3 and a total for each of the question below.

A. Total cost of proposed work (if part funded from other streams)

B. Requested from EHR Fund

C. Additional Funding Required (A minus B)

**Question 4.2** Please give details of how you arrived at the figures given in the Equality and Human Rights Fund Budget Form. Word limit 500 words

**Question 4.3** If this work is part funded from other funding streams please detail how the additional funding required will be sourced. Tell us the things listed

* Name of the fund
* Funder
* Amount secured
* Scottish government department (if applicable)
* Scottish Government contact (if applicable)
* Total secured

**Question 4.4** If the total amount secured is less than the total additional funding required please tell us how you intend to develop funding or income from other sources during the period for this activity. Word limit 250 words

# **Section 5: Declaration**

When you are ready to submit your application you must include the signed declaration.

The declaration can be found on <https://www.inspiringscotland.org.uk/what-we-do/our-funds/equality-and-human-rights/applying-to-equality-and-human-rights> and you will need to download and provide dettails including a virtual signature, and then upload as part of your online application submission.

We ask for two signatories for the application plus details of an independent referee.The declaration should be signed by authorised signatories. These include a Treasurer, Trustee, Chair, Secretary, Director, Company Secretary, Financial Controller or Chief Executive.

If funding is offered we will ask for real signatures when you return your grant acceptance.