

## **The Open Door Fund**

### **Criteria and guidance notes**

The Open Door Fund at Sussex Community Foundation is looking to fund charities which support homeless and vulnerably housed people in West Sussex, specifically in the area of financial literacy.

The Fund is keen to support creative approaches to supporting homeless and vulnerably housed people who:

- Are on low budgets or in financial hardship or in debt, or
- Who have difficulty managing their finances

Preventative work will be viewed favourably and evidence of partnership working is welcomed.

#### **What can you apply for?**

One grant of £10,000 per year for up to three years is available. There are no restrictions on what you may apply for, except that we will not support capital projects. The Fund would like to see how the funding will make an impact on the issues outlined above.

#### **Who can apply?**

The fund is open to charities and community groups working in West Sussex who are embedded in their communities, and whose core work is with homeless people and/or in financial advice.

#### **Process for applying**

Charities who meet the criteria above and who wish to apply should use the Open Door online application form found here:

<https://ukcf.secure.force.com/forms/SussexCommunityFoundation/ApplicationForm/OpenDoor>

Applicants selected to go through to panel may be contacted in the month following the deadline to arrange a visit. Applications will subsequently be presented to panel with decisions notified by email.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss your proposal then please contact the SCF Grants Team on 01273 409440 or [grants@sussexgiving.org.uk](mailto:grants@sussexgiving.org.uk)