GRANTS 2026–27

Grant Application Form Proactive Outreach to Migrant Communities

Support for recently resettled Afghan refugees in Merton

MERTON GIVING

This is a sample copy so you can see the questions before you apply. Please do not complete or return this document. Applications must be made using the online form, which is available on our website: **mertongiving.co.uk**

Merton Giving is offering grants of up to £3,500 per organisation (more for partnership bids) for projects that support recently resettled Afghan refugees in Merton. Projects can offer holistic outreach, emotional wellbeing, psychological recovery and community integration. We have £14,000 to distribute in total.

Before you apply, please read the full criteria on our website, **mertongiving.co.uk**. It explains who can apply, what we can and can't fund, and the target groups.

Key dates

Deadline for applications	5pm, Monday 30 November 2026
Decisions by	Monday 14 December 2026
Projects can start from	Monday 4 January 2027

As well as completing the online form, you will need to email your supporting documents to **hello@mertongiving.co.uk** before the deadline. These are your project budget, safeguarding policy, most recent annual accounts and evidence of organisation type.

If you have any questions, please email us at **hello@mertongiving.co.uk**.

Questions marked * are required.

About your organisation

1 **What is your organisation's legal name? ***

2 **Are there any other names that your organisation uses?**

3 **What is your organisation's registered address? ***

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4 **What is your organisation's website or social media page? ***

5 **What is your organisation's email address? ***

6 **What does your organisation mainly do? ***

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Advice and information
- ☐ Arts, culture and heritage
- ☐ Community development and cohesion
- ☐ Education and training
- ☐ Employment and skills
- ☐ Environment and climate
- ☐ Faith-based activity
- ☐ Food and financial hardship
- ☐ Health and social care
- ☐ Housing and homelessness
- ☐ Mental health and wellbeing
- ☐ Sport, leisure and recreation
- ☐ Other

7 **Who do you mainly work with? ***

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Everyone / general public
- ☐ Children (0–11)
- ☐ Young people (12–25)
- ☐ Older people
- ☐ Families and carers
- ☐ Disabled people
- ☐ People with long-term health conditions
- ☐ Minority ethnic communities
- ☐ Refugees and asylum seekers
- ☐ LGBTQ+ people
- ☐ Women and girls
- ☐ Men and boys
- ☐ People on low incomes
- ☐ Other

8 **Could you please tell us about your track record of delivering programmes in Merton? ***

9 **What is your organisation type? ***

- ◯ Registered Charity – Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
- ◯ Registered Charity – Charitable Company (limited by guarantee)
- ◯ Registered Charity – Unincorporated Organisation
- ◯ Registered Charity – Trust
- ◯ Community Interest Company
- ◯ A Constituted, non-registered Group/Club/Society

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10 **If you are a Registered Charity, please provide your Registered Charity Number. If you are a Community Interest Company, please provide your Company Number.**

11 **How many employees do you have at your organisation? ***

12 **How many active volunteers do you have at your organisation? ***

13 **How many Trustees or Directors do you have? ***

14 **Do you have at least three trustees or directors? ***

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

15 **Please can you confirm that your trustees are not related to one another? ***

- ◯ Yes, they are not related to one another
- ◯ No, they are related to one another

16 **What was your organisation's income in the last financial year? ***

17 **How much unrestricted reserves does your organisation currently hold? ***

18 **Have you previously been awarded a grant from Merton Giving? ***

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

About you

19 **What is your full name? ***

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20 **What is your email address? ***

21 **What is your telephone number? ***

22 **What is your role at the organisation? ***

About your project

23 **What is the name of your project? ***

24 **When will your project start? ***

25 **When will your project end? ***

26 **How many recently resettled Afghan refugees will you support through this work? ***

27 **Which target groups will you focus on through this work? ***

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Adults experiencing trauma related to war, conflict, or displacement
- ☐ Individuals with symptoms of PTSD, anxiety, depression, or grief
- ☐ Women affected by gender-based violence or family separation
- ☐ Young adults struggling with cultural adjustment
- ☐ Individuals facing isolation, language barriers, or integration challenges

28 **How much total funding are you applying for? You can apply for up to £3,500 per organisation. ***

You will need to email us a project budget in the next section.

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29 **Please could you outline how you have identified the need for this project? ***

Up to 200 words.

30 **Please could you describe in detail what support will be offered and how this will address identified needs? ***

Up to 200 words.

31 **Please could you tell us about your organisation and your staff/volunteers' training, qualifications, experience, and knowledge in being able to deliver this work? ***

Up to 200 words.

32 **Are you working with any partner organisations for this project? If yes, please list the name of the organisation, your contact, and their role in the project.**

33 **How many recently resettled Afghan refugees has your organisation supported in the past year? ***

34 **Please could you tell us more about the current and previous support you have offered to recently resettled Afghan refugees? ***

Up to 200 words.

35 **Please could you outline your proposed outputs and outcomes for this project? ***

Up to 300 words.

36 **How will you know if the project is successful? We are interested in how you will measure outputs and outcomes, e.g. how many people came to an event, and what difference did it make to them. ***

Up to 300 words.

37 **Have you applied to other funders to support this specific activity? If yes, when do you expect to be notified of a decision? ***

Supporting documentation

38 **Supporting documents** *

Please email the following documents to **hello@mertongiving.co.uk** before the application deadline:

- Project budget
- Safeguarding policy
- Most recent annual accounts
- Evidence of organisation type (see below)
- Any other supporting documents that are relevant for your application

Evidence of organisation type

Organisation type	Please send us
Registered Charity – Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)	Charity Number and a copy of your Constitution
Registered Charity – Charitable Company (limited by guarantee)	Charity Number, Company Number and Governing document (usually Memorandum and Articles)
Registered Charity – Unincorporated Organisation	Charity Number and Governing document (usually a copy of your Constitution)
Registered Charity – Trust	Charity Number and Governing document (usually Trust Deed)
Community Interest Company	A copy of your Community Interest Statement, Asset Lock and Constitution
A Constituted, non-registered Group/Club/Society	Evidence of Constitution/Club Rules or Regulations

Please confirm you will do this.

◯ Yes
◯ No

Terms and conditions

In submitting this application form, you understand that the following Terms and Conditions would need to be complied with:

1. We will use the grant for exactly the purpose set out in the application, including any specific condition(s) that have been attached to the award.
2. We will not make any major changes to our project without first receiving Merton Giving's agreement in writing.
3. We will not use the grant to order or buy any goods before we sign and return the funding agreement.
4. We will not use the grant to pay for any item which has been funded under another grants programme.
5. We will take all reasonable steps to:
   - offer equality of access to our services;
   - provide a safe, healthy and supportive environment which meets the needs of the local community;
   - deliver value for money and use sound financial procedures;
   - share information that will contribute to the understanding of future client needs.
6. We will acknowledge this Merton Giving grant in our annual report and in printed materials as appropriate. We will supply copies of these documents to Merton Giving if requested.

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7. We will have a bank or building society account in the name of our group (or, if applying as a consortium or partnership, in the name of the accountable group). We confirm that all cheques or withdrawals from this account require at least two signatories.
8. We will keep all financial records and accounts, including receipts for items bought with the grant, for at least six years.
9. We will treat the grant received as restricted income in our accounts.
10. Merton Giving reserves the right to require any unspent grant monies to be refunded.
11. We will provide sufficient insurance cover to meet potential liabilities and produce evidence of payment of the current premiums and note that Merton Giving may request us to provide copies of our employer's liability, public liability and buildings insurance policies.
12. We will allow Merton Giving to use our name in their own publicity materials with permission.
13. We will inform Merton Giving of any situation where confidentiality is a particular issue and/or where any event occurs that may cause adverse publicity and/or reputational damage to either party.
14. We will send Merton Giving all relevant monitoring information at the end of the project and meet all monitoring and financial requirements as requested during the life of the grant, subject to Data Protection regulations. This includes details of beneficiaries reached, impact and imagery.
15. We will allow Merton Giving to visit us to see the work funded by this grant.
16. We note that Merton Giving will ask us to repay the grant, in whole or in part, in the following circumstances:
    - if we fail to keep to our funding agreement in any way;
    - if the application form was completed dishonestly or the supporting documents gave false or misleading information;
    - if any member of our governing body, staff or volunteers acts dishonestly or negligently in respect of this grant;
    - if we close down or become insolvent.
17. These terms and conditions will apply until we have spent the grant and submitted all related documentation.
18. Merton Giving's liability under this agreement is limited to the value of the grant and will not indemnify the recipient against any claim by any third party for compensation or against any other claims for which the recipient may be liable.

39 **By entering your full name below, you are agreeing to the above terms and conditions.** *

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