

Dorset Coronavirus Community Fund Phase 2 Impact Report

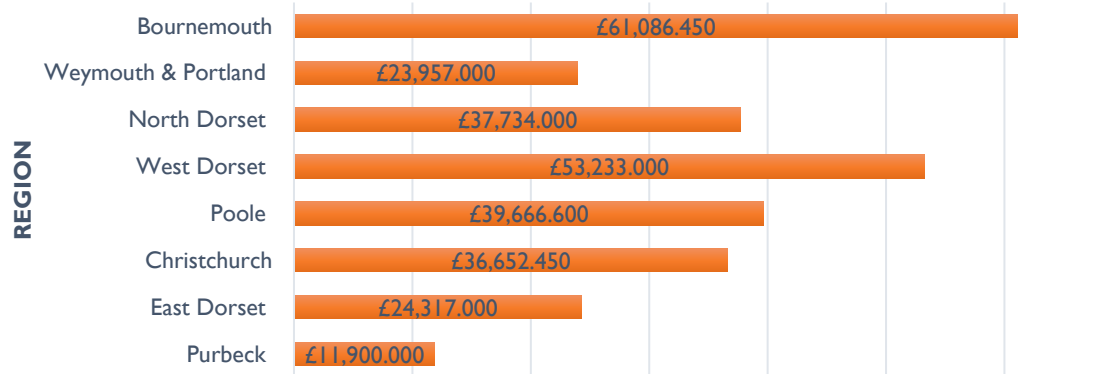
Summary

- Phase 2 distributed a total of **£288,546.50 to 77 groups** (average grant £3750)
- **Grants were made from July to September 2020** and supported groups offering face to face activities in the summer, and groups supporting vulnerable people during the second and third wave of Coronavirus, including the winter lockdown
- Most grants were fully spent by the end of March 2021, with 8 groups awarded extensions due to delays and postponements to their services caused by changing government restrictions
- **13,860 people have so far benefitted from direct services, and 1158 volunteers have been involved (groups with extensions have not reported yet)**
- An **estimated 3507 future beneficiaries** will benefit from grants supporting the survival of community buildings and improvements to facilities

Funded services and who they supported

- People **shielding** and in need of **delivery services, prepared meals and accessible community transport** for medical appointments
- People with **reduced access to NHS treatment** and support, including those with cancer and new mothers with little pre or post-natal support
- People in financial hardship in need of **crisis food supplies** plus other essential household items e.g. nappies and toiletries
- People in long term financial difficulty needing **solutions to ongoing poverty** (start-up grants for **community fridges, pantries, social supermarkets** etc)
- People in need of **financial advice & support** to help with employment issues, benefits & appeals, debt relief orders, money management skills etc
- People suffering from an **exacerbation of mental health issues** in need of counselling or other mental health provision (including young people & carers)
- People suffering **isolation & loneliness** in need of a return to community activities (grants supporting **village halls and community centres** to survive)
- People with additional vulnerability suffering isolation & loneliness in need of **specialist activities and wellbeing sessions** e.g. those with **learning disabilities, physical disabilities, dementia, Autistic Spectrum Disorder**, and children with **Special Educational Needs**
- People from **marginalised communities** needing support to understand government guidelines and the local services available
- **Young people** in need of mental health and employment support (grants piloting new ways to help young people transition into employment)
- **Homeless people** and those at risk of homelessness needing specialist services and safe housing
- **People who have experienced domestic violence** needing specialist support, including services for victims and funding for a perpetrator programme

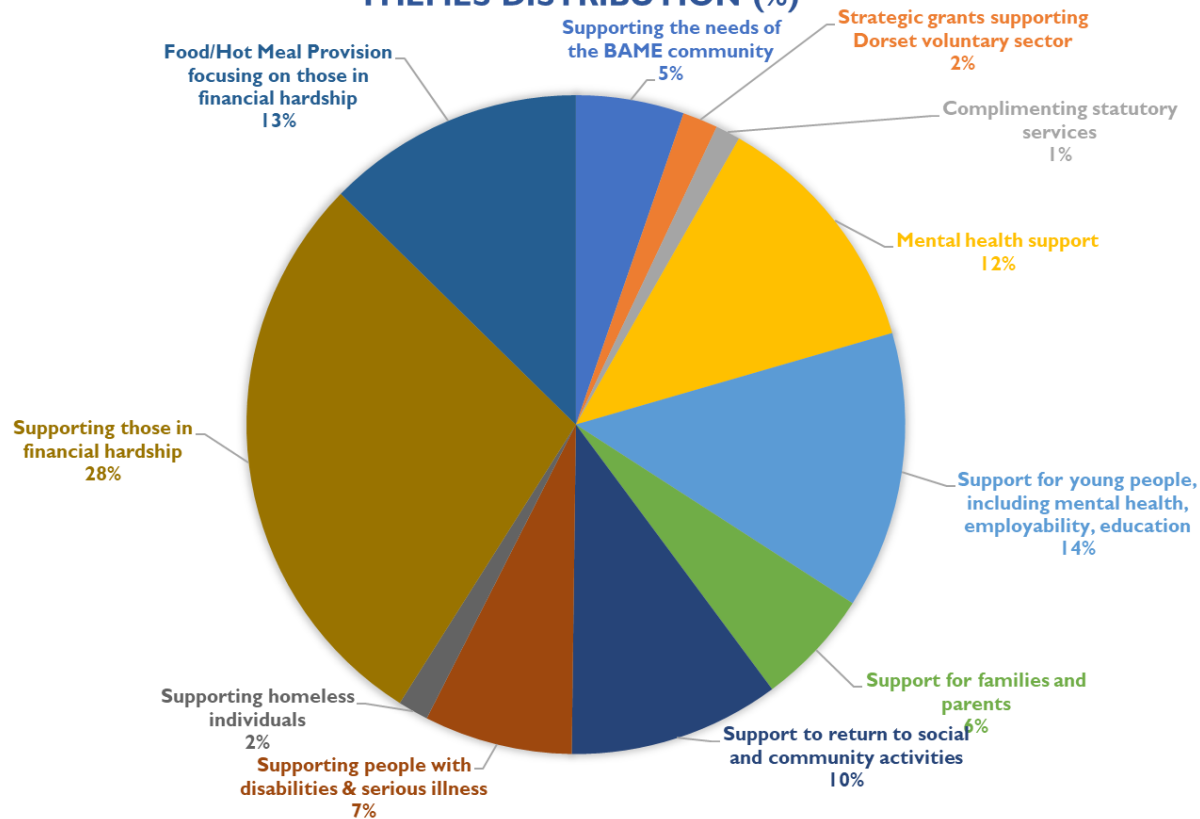
GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION (£)



Total BCP funding: £137,405.50 (48%)

Total Dorset Council funding: £151,141 (52%)

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BENEFICIARIES BY LOCATION

(including estimated future beneficiaries)

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| Bournemouth | 4056 | BCP | 8785 (51%) |
| Christchurch | 1128 | | |
| Poole | 3601 | | |
| East Dorset | 684 | Dorset | 8582 (49%) |
| North Dorset | 2110 | | |
| Purbeck | 892 | | |
| West Dorset | 3865 | | |
| Weymouth & Portland | 1031 | | |
| TOTAL | 17367 | | |

INDECES OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION

Grants awarded in phase 2 include services benefitting the 11 most deprived wards in Dorset

| Ward | IMD Ranking out of 32,844 | Groups providing support |
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| Boscombe West (Bournemouth) | 978 | Grounded Community Its All About Culture Lovechurch Safe and Sound |
| Melcombe Regis (Weymouth) | 1673 | The Friendly Food Club Nest Social Supermarket Weymouth Community Volunteers |
| North Fortuneswell (Portland) | 1864 | Island Community Action Opportunities R Un Ltd Portland Foodbank |
| Littlemoor West (Weymouth) | 2187 | Refresh |
| Kinson South (Bournemouth) | 2446 | Townsend Youth Partnership Fernheath Play |
| Turlin Moor & Hamworthy West (Poole) | 3859 | Poole Communities Trust |
| Poole Town Centre | 4707 | Parkstone URC Wheels for Freedom |
| Somerford West (Christchurch) | 5886 | Somerford ARC |
| Bridport Court Orchard | | Bridport ASD and Social Anxiety Group Axe Valley & West Dorset Ring & Ride Service Burrough Harmony Centre Bridport & District Citizens Advice Bureau |
| Branksome | 7742 | People First Forum |
| Trickett's Cross (East Dorset) | 8281 | Bus Stop Club |

Feedback from groups supported

“The advice and support offered by DCF was fantastic. (Grant Manager) introduced us to the DCA training portal and what we should be doing as a charity. Since the advice we have revamped our web site, written a full suite of governance documents, code of conduct and taken 4 training courses offered by DCA.”

Thank you so much for supporting our work - it has been so great to be able to do something tangible to help the community, and we would not have been able to do it without you. As mentioned above, your funding has given us a track record which we have used successfully to secure other funds”

“We were so grateful to be offered a grant by the Dorset Coronavirus Community Fund - it has been a great help in enabling us to assist some of Dorset's most vulnerable people during the epidemic.”

“Thank you for funding us again. Your support has made a huge difference to our group, allowing it to grow and expand its remit, and support many struggling families at a hugely challenging time in new and exciting ways.”

“The support from DCF has, as always, been excellent. Communication is always prompt and information regarding available grants is always appropriate - we are very pleased to be working with such a great organisation and team. Thank you.”

“Dorset Community Foundation applications are easy to follow, with very efficient email and telephone support. Each stage is easily set out, and the email reminders for end of year reports making everything an easy process.”

“The support provided by Dorset Community Foundation during this really challenging time to charities and communities has been phenomenal. Many charities like ours have fallen through the cracks in local government funding so the support has been a lifeline to help sustain the services into 2021.”

“We are beyond any doubt so extremely grateful for all grants and contributions to the project. Thank you seems so inadequate but THANK YOU.”

“We greatly appreciate the help offered by the team at Dorset Community Foundation. People we have corresponded with have always been very professional and responsive, the grant was considered quickly and administered promptly which greatly helped in the circumstances the club found itself in during the pandemic.”

“We are so grateful for the money to help us brighten up the lives of our families who often feel neglected by society. It has also helped to bring a lot of people together in our community to make our charity stronger.”

“We are so grateful to Dorset Community Foundation for making this grant available to us - it has eased the pressure on our management and supervision teams, enabled us to continue to provide a service to so many people and helped us to support our volunteers through the pandemic. Our involvement with DCF has always been positive and the grant application and end of grant process straight forward and appropriate.”

Case Studies

B Sharp

The project has enabled B Sharp to continue to deliver music making sessions to young people in West Dorset, despite covid restrictions. It has supported us to make sessions covid-secure (cleaning surfaces and instruments, buying PPE, sanitiser etc) when government guidelines allowed us to meet in person. It also ensured we had correct procedures in place, through updating risk assessments, health & safety and safeguarding policies. It has supported us to take sessions online when meeting in person has not been allowed (zoom licence fees, additional planning and delivery time). We made active contact with the young people we already work with who we know have additional vulnerabilities (poor mental health, anxiety, economic deprivation etc) to work with them to ensure there were no new barriers to participation caused by Covid – and find ways to overcome these.



Although many young people struggle to engage online – especially those that have disabilities or special needs – it has supported us to work closely with our participants and their parents, to understand their concerns around attending sessions, providing additional support from our Pastoral Support Workers via phone call/text. In this way, young people have been able to continue to attend our friendly, supportive music making groups through which they have progressed their musical skills, confidence and their social skills throughout the pandemic. B Sharp has also been able to offer one to one Music for Wellbeing sessions to help young people who have been suffering from poor mental health and anxiety. The aim is to improve wellbeing by providing an opportunity to do something creative and positive that they enjoy, and that helps them express themselves. Sessions provide space and a time out from anxieties, through getting absorbed in music. Sessions are led by a professional Music Leader, with support from a Pastoral Support Worker and can focus on an instrument of the young person's choice and/or creating their own music. J's mum contacted us because she had becoming increasingly concerned about her son's mental health during lockdown. Aged 14, he had got quieter, and was speaking and communicating less. He has been taking part in one-to-one sessions, learning the keyboard. *"J is liking the sessions and working with H. He gets home and practices his keyboard. I can tell it is a positive experience for him which he really needs at the moment... I'm very grateful."*



L, is aged 11, and has ADHD and ASD. He attended our weekly music making clubs pre covid. During lockdown 1, he really struggled with the isolation. B Sharp had offered online content during but L had not participated because he found it hard to sit down in front of screen. He found the lockdown overwhelming and was usually very tired at the end of the day. When he returned back to B sharp's face to face sessions in September, his mum reported there was an incredible difference in him and he loved being back. There were no extra curriculum activities running at school, therefore the B Sharp sessions were the only opportunity for him to play music in a group, and to socialise. When lockdown 2 occurred, L's mum was not sure that L would be able to engage with online sessions, because of his concentration difficulties. However, with intensive support from B Sharp Pastoral Support Worker, L was able to engage with the sessions via zoom. L has needed one-to-one support before and during sessions to support to his engagement. He has attended regularly, and is learning and thriving and is very engaged. He has progressed his musical skills, written his own song including lyrics, and contributed to a group piece. He is more able to concentrate, and enjoys the group socially. *"He is absolutely loving your zoom sessions, it keeps him connected with you, helps with his social skills and being part of it is so important. Huge thanks to all at B Sharp for your support with L, he just loves your group."*

Mindful Mosaics



The grant from Dorset Community Foundation has allowed Mindful Mosaics to facilitate a project whereby many isolated and vulnerable people affected by the lockdowns, have had opportunity to meet with other people with similar experiences, forging quality relationships which has left them feeling less lonely, and more connected. Those new, strong peer support social networks have acted as a buffer against poor mental health often acquainted with periods of lockdown and social isolation. The use of Mosaics as a therapeutic and creative diversion has shown it has helped to distract from these feelings as participants have been engrossed in the creative process which has allowed much temporarily respite from worrying about the future or dwelling on the past. Indeed, creating something for themselves with others has also helped their sense of belonging and self-efficacy, and has also aided the belief in their own abilities.

In response to the challenges of the pandemic and subsequent lockdowns, which made meeting and crafting together on the Beach in Boscombe both impossible (and prohibited); Mindful Mosaics moved entirely online towards the end of 2020. Since then, Mosaic activity packs were sent out to people suffering with the lockdown to ensure they had art materials at home. In addition to art activities and resources, each participant also had the opportunity of joining online group sessions for a sense of community, stress relief and a creative outlet for mind, body and soul.

"Making mosaics has given me a huge lift. After losing my mum to Coronavirus last April I felt I'd lost my best friend. When I was a younger I used to make mosaics with her in the summer house. After attending a Mindful Mosaics workshop and then doing mosaic work at home it really helped as I felt comfort feeling she was with me too. Thank you Mindful Mosaics and Dorset Community Foundation for funding this much needed project. I now have a fantastic new hobby and better still, a new network of friends who I am dying to meet in person once the Covid lockdowns ease."

"After catching Covid in the spring of 2020 and recovered, I now suffer from Long Covid. I used to be a fit person who would be active most weekends. Long Covid has really slowed me down and I lost a big part of my life due to tiredness and depression. I needed something to help me take my mind off things. Mindful Mosaics was recommended to me by a friend and I've not felt as happy and proud as I do in a long time. Making mosaics with others has given me a sense of belonging and accomplishment and was a stepping stone to trying new things and coming out of my shell. I always wanted to be more creative and Mindful Mosaics has given me the chance to boost my confidence and try something new. I love to show off what I've made and I can't wait to try again."

Mindful Mosaics really appreciated the funding received from Dorset Community Foundation and the opportunity to run this project. It has probably been the most rewarding, challenging, exciting and meaningful project we have ever embarked on. It has not been without its challenges though, especially as new COVID-19 lockdown measures came into place and also infection prevention and control (IPC) measures, has meant distribution of our care packs have been incredibly challenging at times. However, we managed reach many isolated people including the so called 'walking wounded' (NHS staff term for those people who were discharged from hospital following treatment for Covid) so thank you.



Music Lovers Bollywood

I would like to thank “Dorset Community Foundation” for enabling and supporting our project. This has meant we were able to provide the first ever Asian radio show broadcast in the whole of Dorset. The funds enabled us to do a weekly one hour broadcast slot on Hot Radio. The broadcast is to the whole of Dorset, accessible online, radio and DAB. Dorset which has a substantial and growing Asian population (Indian, Pakistani and Bangladeshi). The local broadcast has provided another medium to engage with this community through Bollywood music and also have a platform to convey information relating to local affairs, and especially that which concerned the Coronavirus Pandemic. As the broadcast is in a mixture of Hindi and English, this means we are in the reach of all age-groups and backgrounds. Listeners range from 65+ age groups to young families.

The broadcast entitled “Bollywood Beats with Anjali” started on Tuesday 9th June 2020 and has become a regular feature every Tuesday evenings in many households. The show is a mixture of Bollywood music with song requests and dedications by the listeners, updates on local affairs and Covid-19 information. Lately, the importance of covid vaccination and also filling the Census forms was emphasised and accentuated during the broadcasts. Other than the direct costs of broadcast paid to the radio station, minor funds were used to buy related equipment (microphone and software programmes). The total expenses for the project outweighed the grant, but we were able to raise the remainder from the kind sponsors of Dill Haat Indian restaurant (Westbourne) and Westbourne Wines (Westbourne). Some face masks were distributed to the Bangladesh community but incurred no costs.



The benefits are keeping the community engaged and in touch with their cultural heritage and providing a social element too. This can only be a good thing especially with the onset of demoralising Covid-19 atmosphere. The number of active members of our social groups has increased from about 70 to 350+ in the course of the last 6 months. Our social media format already provides for domestic, medical and financial guidance and help. The radio media adds to the opportunity of interacting with the community at large. During the Programme, an average of 190+ comments are usually received within the one hour. The feedback for the show mainly comes through the Group Social media “What’s App” and Facebook and some direct emails to the presenter Anjali. Currently, the one-hour weekly slot does not allow enough time for phone-ins and inter-discussion but its something for a future consideration.

“Hi Anjali, Your show is always rocking. We look forward to listening to your show every week. Can you please play song ‘Maana ke hum yaar nahi’ from the movie Meri Pyari Bindu in your next show. Keep rocking girl.”

“Anjali you are amazing and most talented presenters I have ever listened to. Well done and keep the good work going”

It’s still early days for us but this support from Dorset Community Foundation has encouraged our Group to develop and progress to the next level. It has also given us the confidence in building a cohesive community group within the whole community at large and add to the colourful fabric of Dorset. This relationship has also resulted in linking with other Dorset and town groups (e.g Community Action Network) who have been both welcoming and helpful to our cause. We are encouraged by the response of the Community to develop the project further and consider a bi-weekly radio broadcast.

Safe and Sound Dorset

Safe and Sound Dorset established a housing support service to give 1-1 support for vulnerable women who were homeless during the pandemic or at risk of losing housing due to being evicted soon after lockdown. The 12 hours per week were given to staff on an ad hoc basis to work alongside individual women, giving extra support, checking in with them on a weekly basis, accompany women to housing appointments, court or other appointments and having regular contact to help build confidence and self-worth. 1-1 support is confidential and person-centred, supporting the ongoing needs of vulnerable women to ensure that their health & wellbeing is maintained. We offer extra services such as counselling as part of a holistic approach which has a lasting and sustainable impact. The staff also helped women move house and buy essential items such as bedding, which we supply. We have been able to acquire all sorts of things through our generous local community. Moving furniture, fridges, kitchen items has been a logistical complication, but on the whole has gone smoothly.

The women are often stuck in difficult lifestyles that can make them end up in cycles of homelessness, depression or anxiety. We worked on empowering women to make good choices whilst recognising the limitations trauma puts on some women and how during the pandemic, women have experienced anxiety which can reignite former trauma. Support coming out of lockdown has been crucial for those looking for permanent housing. We saw 3 women evicted after the first lockdown, with others facing eviction later on due to various long term unresolved issues in their lifestyles. Some women were moving from temporary to long term housing, some to rehabilitation. We keep in contact with those with vulnerable housing situations so they move from place to place, exploring long term solutions to their multiple housing issues and signposting women to courses that help with personal development and finances. It has been important for them to have stable, consistent support and help during this time from trusted professionals, seeing a familiar face and having time to offload about the week. We have been able to be the link in the chain for housing forms, appointments, court appearances, being there on the day they move, helping with small things that make a big difference in the long term.

“Thank u so much for everything u & all the guys u work with have been doing over the past year or so, actually the last year obviously has been hard & u guys were always about if I needed help, but really it's not just been over the last year has it? I mean u have been supporting me for years & years now & to be completely honest with u I truly don't believe I would be in the position I'm in now if u guys & the lady's from P's team were not there for me for all this time, so THANK U to everyone ur all amazing & I appreciate every last one of u & that is from the bottom of my heart”

One woman, homeless for 3 years, has now got her own flat. This is an enormous step for her and it is great to see the joy in her eyes. A place to call home is so important to us all. It gives us a sense of well being, a sense of belonging, a sense of purpose.

The extra support this year from Dorset Community Foundation has been amazing as it has helped us expand what we can do for women who are facing challenging situations, vulnerably housed and struggling with everyday life issues. It has meant we could dedicate more time to those less resilient, isolated and at risk. We hope to continue to be able to give this level of support to those who are most vulnerable in our local community.



The Nest Social Supermarket



With your support, we have successfully opened The Nest Social Supermarket in Weymouth. The primary purpose is to make a difference by providing healthy affordable food, reducing waste, and enabling people in our town to experience a good quality of life. Together, we are supporting the health and wellbeing of those who are food insecure, as a result of the short and long term economic and social consequences caused by COVID-19. Since opening in November 2020 we now have 208 household members, benefitting over 600 people including pensioners, students, single parents, people with disabilities and people made redundant due to COVID-19. In a typical week we have 94 customers and the average spend per customer is £4.12. We also provide volunteering opportunities for local people to gain new skills and improve their confidence. We currently have 15 volunteers aged 16 – 65. The grant from DCF made a big difference to our organisation because it was one of the first grants we received and gave us confidence to apply for further funding from other sources. Your grant was particularly helpful as it covered salary costs so we could recruit our shop manager (the only paid staff member) and ensure that the project was professionally managed and delivered.



Members tell us the shop has made a real difference to their lives, knowing they can provide healthy food for their families and being able to shop with dignity:

“Highly recommend anyone who has a limited budget to contact these guys. This is NOT a food bank, but more like a food 'buffer'... We are able to eat so much healthier since joining...I can honestly say that there is absolutely no judgement made by staff, they are so helpful and friendly.”

“Coming here makes a big difference, you can actually get quite a lot for the £3.50 so it really takes the edge off, especially near the end of the month.”

“You don't realise what a difference this place makes, it's such a lifesaver”

One lady who is over 50 has been off of work due to mental health issues. Because of this her and her husband had been struggling financially, and had to cut back on the amount they were spending on food. She came and signed up for the Nest about 3 months ago and has been shopping here ever since. Having access to cheaper food has helped their financial situation, and meant they have more money for the other costs. The social interaction of coming to The Nest has also helped with her recovery, and she is also keen to volunteer with us to help with this.

A retired gentleman with limited income had been using the foodbank every week for over a year. The foodbank told him about us, and he signed up as a member and now shops with us every week. He no longer uses a foodbank, and benefits from being able to choose what he gets. He also benefits from having someone help with the shopping, as he gets confused quite easily.



All phase 2 grants

Grants supporting direct services to beneficiaries

| Date awarded | Group | Amount Awarded | Funded service/activity | Primary Beneficiary | Location of beneficiaries | Number of beneficiaries | Number of Volunteers involved |
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| 08/07/2020 | Bourton Community Support Group | £1,500.00 | Emerging volunteer group supporting those self-isolating with doorstep delivery of food and medication, plus befriending phone calls. | Local residents | North Dorset | 100 | 26 |
| 08/07/2020 | Stalbridge Cancer and Recovery Support | £500.00 | Support sessions for people with a cancer diagnoses. EXTENSION GRANTED TO 07/01/22 | People in care or suffering serious illness | North Dorset | ? | ? |
| 22/07/2020 | Bridport and District Citizens Advice Bureau | £6,955.00 | Staff costs for Supervision of volunteer advisors, providing financial advice & support; demand increased due to Coronavirus | People living in poverty | West Dorset | 75 | 40 |
| 22/07/2020 | Citizens Advice Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole | £33,949.50 | Staff costs to retain a separate advice line for financial resilience support, addressing the financial impact of Coronavirus | People living in poverty | Bournemouth (252), Poole (269) & Christchurch (51) | 572 | 2 |
| 22/07/2020 | Citizens Advice Central | £16,000.00 | Staff costs for Supervision of volunteer advisors, providing financial advice & support; demand increased due to Coronavirus | People living in poverty | North Dorset (35), West Dorset (83), Weymouth & Portland (30) | 148 | 147 |
| 22/07/2020 | East Dorset Citizens Advice Bureaux (wimborne) | £8,000.00 | New supervisor to train, manage and support additional volunteer advisors, addressing increased demand for financial support | People living in poverty | East Dorset | 48 | 35 |
| 22/07/2020 | Purbeck Citizens Advice Bureau | £7,000.00 | Additional Supervisor to manage and support a team of volunteer advisors, to address increasing demand for financial support | People living in poverty | Purbeck | 60 | 20 |
| 29/07/2020 | Coda Music Trust | £2,000.00 | Online music sessions to alleviate increased loneliness and isolation of people with learning disabilities & people with dementia, | People in care or suffering serious illness | Bournemouth & Christchurch | 500 | 0 |
| 29/07/2020 | Dorset Children's Foundation | £1,000.00 | Essential household items for families who continue to shield due to severe disabilities and health conditions, and provision of toys/books/craft materials for children | Children and Young People | Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole | 60 | 6 |
| 29/07/2020 | Dorset Mind | £2,000.00 + £3000 | Therapeutic and wellbeing services for young people in North Dorset, where mental health has been impacted by Coronavirus | Children and Young People | North Dorset | 74 | 40 |

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| 29/07/2020 | It's All About Culture (IAAC) | £2,000.00 | To finish refurb of new multicultural hub in Boscombe providing activities to address the impact of Coronavirus on local BAME communities and reduce isolation | Black, Asian and minority ethnic | Bournemouth | 250 | 16 |
| 29/07/2020 | Weymouth Community Volunteers | £400.00 | Publicity costs to raise awareness of activities and services now reopening that will help people impacted by Coronavirus | Local residents | Weymouth & Portland | 32 | 10 |
| 06/08/2020 | TRIP Community Transport Association | £1,000.00 | Medical transport service in Lyme Regis and Charmouth for elderly and disabled residents | Older People | West Dorset | 110 | 5 |
| 06/08/2020 | Wiltshire & Dorset Deaf Association | £1,000.00 | giving clear panel face masks in community settings and for family/friends, raising awareness of the difficulties facing deaf and hard of hearing people during the pandemic EXTENSION GRANTED TO 06/11/20 | People with physical disabilities | Pan Dorset | ? | ? |
| 14/08/2020 | Manor Park CE First School Foodbank | £2,000.00 | To support a newly established foodbank to continue delivering food parcels | Families/Parent s/Lone parents | Dorchester (276), Weymouth & Portland (4) | 280 | 15 |
| 19/08/2020 | The Burrough Harmony Centre | £2,000.00 | Launch of new support group for carers following a rise in requests for help due to the impact of Coronavirus in their lives | Carers | West Dorset | 12 | 2 |
| 26/08/2020 | Cerne Abbas Surgery Patgient Participation Group | £500.00 | Grant to purchase PPE equipment for volunteers helping with flu vaccination at their local surgery | Local residents | West Dorset | 1500 | 25 |
| 26/08/2020 | Charmouth COVID-19 Volunteers | £500.00 | Funding a final leaflet distribution in the village offering general advice and information, and encouraging those in need of help to come forward | Local residents | West Dorset | 158 | 50 |
| 26/08/2020 | Team Dorset Athletics Network | £2,000.00 | Supporting the return of disability athletics club in Poole, to address the increased isolation and deteriorating physical health caused by Coronavirus | People with multiple disabilities | Poole | 20 | 5 |
| 26/08/2020 | The Magdalen Environmental Trust | £2,000.00 | Continuing to supply Bridport and Dorchester foodbanks with free food from the farm | People living in poverty | West Dorset | 300 | 10 |
| 03/09/2020 | Beaminstor Cricket Club | £2,000.00 | Supporting a local cricket club suffering a loss of income due to Coronavirus - activities will support community recovery | Local residents | West Dorset | 170 | 15 |
| 03/09/2020 | Chickerell Methodist Church / Hall | £1,000.00 | Contribution towards kitchen refurb to help church hall to return as a community venue for social activities and hosting other groups | Local residents | West Dorset | 100 | 4 |

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| 03/09/2020 | Counselling Together | £1,000.00 | Subsidised counselling places for those in hardship and with mental health difficulties caused or exacerbated by Coronavirus | People with mental health issues | Christchurch | 11 | 8 |
| 03/09/2020 | Dorset Forest School | £1,500.00 | Continuation of outdoor activities for people with dementia and their carers – loneliness and mental health issues exacerbated EXTENSION GRANTED TO 24/09/21 | People with multiple disabilities | Poole | ? | ? |
| 03/09/2020 | Ferndown Community Coronavirus Support | £1,500.00 | Doorstep delivery services in the community and the development of a community fridge. EXTENSION GRANTED TO 24/09/21 | Local residents | East Dorset | ? | ? |
| 03/09/2020 | Hipp!!Bones C4YSN Limited | £2,000.00 | Replacement of loss of income – small charity running a youth club for young people with learning difficulties and disabilities EXTENSION GRANTED TO 24/09/21 | Children and Young People | North Dorset | ? | ? |
| 03/09/2020 | Sherborne Community Kitchen | £2,000.00 | Emerging group (now a charity) delivering service to address food poverty | People living in poverty | North Dorset | 46 | 41 |
| 03/09/2020 | The Nest Social Supermarket | £2,000.00 | Emerging group running a Social Supermarket in Weymouth to compliment the work of the local foodbank and offer longer term support for households in food poverty | People living in poverty | Weymouth & Portland | 300 | 20 |
| 03/09/2020 | Vale Charitable Trust t/a The Vale Pantry | £2,000.00 | New community pantry in Sturminster Newton addressing the increase of food poverty as a result of Coronavirus, and compliment existing provision | People living in poverty | North Dorset | 432 | 18 |
| 03/09/2020 | WIRED | £750.00 | Small scale expansion to train volunteers and deliver wellbeing sessions and mentoring for young people, to address the impact of Coronavirus in their lives | Children and Young People | Bournemouth (3), Poole (4) | 7 | 7 |
| 25/09/2020 | Axe Valley & West Dorset Ring & Ride Service Ltd | £5,000.00 | Supporting the continuation of community transport service, helping to reduce the exacerbation of rural isolation and loneliness | Older People | West Dorset | 150 | 5 |
| 25/09/2020 | Axminster and Lyme Cancer Support | £5,000.00 | Counselling and other support services to people living with cancer, experiencing delayed treatment and lack of support | People in care or suffering serious illness | West Dorset | 50 | 14 |
| 25/09/2020 | B Sharp | £5,000.00 | Reintroducing face to face music activities with vulnerable young people, to address the impact of Coronavirus | Children and Young People | West Dorset | 139 | 8 |
| 25/09/2020 | Bridport ASD and Social Anxiety Group | £5,000.00 | Social activities and support for young people with ASD and social anxiety disorders, impacted by the disruption to their lives and routines, and upon mental health | Children and Young People | West Dorset | 70 | 12 |

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| 25/09/2020 | Bus Stop Club | £4,417.00 | Reopening of the CAP (Christians Against Poverty) service, addressing financial issues caused by Coronavirus | People living in poverty | East Dorset | 8 | 6 |
| 25/09/2020 | CoCreate Dorset CIC | £4,960.00 | Arts project addressing mental health needs in vulnerable people impacted by Coronavirus | People with mental health issues | Bournemouth (15), Christchurch (2), Poole (10), West Dorset (5) | 32 | 0 |
| 25/09/2020 | Doors Open SEN Support Community | £2,000.00 | Peer support group for families who have a child with SEN, supporting parents with the easing of lockdown restrictions and transition back to school - craft and sport activities | Families/Parents/Lone parents | Poole | 200 | 2 |
| 25/09/2020 | Dorchester Community Kitchen | £5,000.00 | Emerging group delivering food and essential household items to households experiencing hardship | People living in poverty | Dorset Council area | 1500 | 35 |
| 25/09/2020 | Dorset Parent Infant Partnership | £1,500.00 | Therapeutic and support services for new parents experiencing a lack of statutory/medical support | Families/Parents/Lone parents | Bournemouth (6), Christchurch (2), Poole (12), East Dorset (2), West Dorset (12), North Dorset (4) | 38 | 5 |
| 25/09/2020 | Dorset Search and Rescue (DorSAR) | £2,000.00 | Supporting core costs due to a loss of income caused by Coronavirus and an expected rise in demand services supporting the police | People with mental health issues | Pan Dorset | 120 | 120 |
| 25/09/2020 | Faithworks Wessex | £5,000.00 | Expansion of Community Money Advice project with Citizens Advice, addressing the growing numbers of residents facing financial hardship and money issues | People living in poverty | Bournemouth (25), Poole (20), Christchurch (35), East Dorset (25) | 105 | 35 |
| 25/09/2020 | Fernheath Play | £5,000.00 | Core costs to support the continuation of this charity despite loss of income – providing beneficial activities for children and families in a deprived area | Children and Young People | Bournemouth | 100 | 3 |
| 25/09/2020 | Friends of Guys Marsh Prison | £1,500.00 | To support leavers bags and additional games and activities for inmates during lockdown. | Ex-offenders | Pan Dorset | 65 | 3 |
| 25/09/2020 | Future Roots | £5,000.00 | Contribution to capital improvements to outside facilities, to respond to huge rise in demand for referrals of vulnerable young people as a result of Coronavirus | Children and Young People | North Dorset (45), West Dorset (45), Weymouth and Portland (10) | 100 | 0 |
| 25/09/2020 | Grounded Community | £5,000.00 | Food parcel delivery project in Boscombe for those in hardship | People living in poverty | Bournemouth | 1065 | 25 |

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| 25/09/2020 | Home-Start North Dorset | £4,000.00 | To support families experiencing crisis, who have been additionally impacted by Coronavirus | Families/Parents/Lone parents | North Dorset | 20 | 42 |
| 25/09/2020 | LOVECHURCH | £2,500.00 | Launch of the Spear Programme, using an evidenced model from national charity Resurgo, to address youth unemployment and support to transition into employment | Not in education, employment and training (NEET 16-24) | Bournemouth | 22 | 7 |
| 25/09/2020 | LymeForward CIC | £3,000.00 | To support the organisation to develop digital capabilities to enhance support provided to vulnerable people online, who may not be able to take part in face to face delivery | Older People | West Dorset | 200 | 20 |
| 25/09/2020 | Mindful Mosaics | £1,000.00 | Craft activities and befriending for people in Boscombe experiencing loneliness and isolation as a result of Coronavirus | People with mental health issues | Bournemouth | 60 | 5 |
| 25/09/2020 | MOSAIC | £3,500.00 | Contribution to bereavement support services for young people in Dorset | Children and Young People | Pan Dorset | 12 | 0 |
| 25/09/2020 | Music Lovers Bollywood | £4,500.00 | Radio broadcasts via Hot Radio, designed for the local Asian community and offered in a mixture of English and Hindi; including Coronavirus and advice and guidance | Black, Asian and minority ethnic | Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole | 2000 | 70 |
| 25/09/2020 | MyTIME | £5,000.00 | Contribution to new programme in Dorset schools, working with teaching staff to support young carers and alleviate the impact of Coronavirus in their lives | Children and Young People | Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole | 71 | 1 |
| 25/09/2020 | People First Dorset | £2,500.00 | Enhanced intervention to help vulnerable beneficiaries who may lack skills/confidence, to access online support services in order to reduce isolation and reconnect with peers | People with learning difficulties | Weymouth(23), West Dorset (29), North Dorset (10), East Dorset (8) | 70 | 1 |
| 25/09/2020 | People First Forum | £5,000.00 | Survival Packs (including audio versions) for people with learning disabilities; information and advice on Covid guidelines, reducing anxiety and boredom, supporting wellbeing | People with learning difficulties | Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole | 1000 | 10 |
| 25/09/2020 | REFRESH | £4,000.00 | Collection and delivery of essential items for babies and new parents where the family is experiencing financial hardship | People living in poverty | Weymouth & Portland | 58 | 11 |
| 25/09/2020 | Relate Dorset and South Wiltshire | £2,000.00 | Replacement of loss of income for charity providing mental health support and counselling | People with mental health issues | Dorset Council area (4) | 4 | 0 |

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| 25/09/2020 | Safe and Sound Dorset | £4,960.00 | Part time salary for a trauma support worker plus sessional counselling costs, to support vulnerably housed women or those at risk of homelessness | Women | Bournemouth | 12 | 10 |
| 25/09/2020 | Somerford ARC Community Centre | £5,000.00 | Replacement of loss of income for community centre serving deprived estate in Christchurch and now delivering relevant activities supporting community recovery | Local residents | Christchurch | 300 | 5 |
| 25/09/2020 | South East Dorset Community Accessible Transport | £5,000.00 | Return to social trips for older, disabled and other vulnerable residents impacted by the exacerbation of loneliness during lockdown (<i>extension granted to 31/07/21</i>) | Older People | Bournemouth 192 Poole 12 Christchurch 7 East Dorset 2 | 253 | 4 |
| 25/09/2020 | StreetLight Project | £2,500.00 | Free riding sessions at the skatepark for children from deprived households, helping a return to healthy community activities | Children and Young People | East Dorset | 100 | 8 |
| 25/09/2020 | The Bus Shelter Dorset | £4,324.00 | Supporting the refurbishment of a static caravan and sleep pods for clients previously housed on a converted bus - larger social spaces to allow better social distancing | Homeless people | Weymouth & Portland | 12 | 3 |
| 25/09/2020 | The Friendly Food Club | £5,000.00 | Cookbox project in Weymouth, partnering with local CAP project and addressing ongoing food poverty issues, encouraging families to cook with the ingredients via online tutorials | People living in poverty | Weymouth & Portland | 230 | 14 |
| 25/09/2020 | The Friends of Brianstpuddle Post Office & Village Shop | £1,000.00 | Volunteer expenses, ipad and air con unit to support the continuing demand on village shop due to Coronavirus EXTENSION GRANTED TO 24/09/21 | Local residents | Purbeck | ? | ? |
| 25/09/2020 | The Power House (Poole) | £5,000.00 | Arts for Wellbeing for those impacted by Coronavirus – group for Carers and mixed group for all | People with mental health issues | Poole | 12 | 3 |
| 25/09/2020 | The Rotary Club of Westbourne Trust Fund | £5,000.00 | Hot meal delivery service to households in hardship and in particular to BAME communities in Bournemouth | People living in poverty | Bournemouth | 50 | 40 |
| 25/09/2020 | The Samaritans of Bournemouth and District | £5,000.00 | Recruitment and training of new volunteers to help meet the rise in demand for their support services, caused by Coronavirus EXTENSION GRANTED TO 31/12/21 | People with mental health issues | Bournemouth | ? | ? |
| 25/09/2020 | Townsend Youth Partnership | £5,000.00 | Returning to youth club activities to address the impact of Coronavirus on the lives of young beneficiaries from a deprived area | Children and Young People | Bournemouth | 52 | 7 |

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| 25/09/2020 | UK Nepal Friendship Society | £3,800.00 | Working in partnership with Citizens Advice to support international students, Nepali and South Asian residents in Dorset with finance and housing issues caused by Coronavirus | Black, Asian and minority ethnic | North Dorset (450), East Dorset (50), BCP (500). Pan-Dorset (50) | 10 | 15 |
| 25/09/2020 | Volunteer Centre Dorset | £5,000.00 | Continuing to support those offering to volunteer and matching them into relevant roles that will support communities | Local residents | Dorset Council area | 10 | 0 |
| 25/09/2020 | Water Lily Project | £4,986.00 | Salary costs for support workers, to provide emotional and practical support to vulnerable women who have been further impacted by Coronavirus and need support to recover | Women | Christchurch | 30 | 18 |
| 25/09/2020 | Wheels for Freedom | £2,500.00 | Provision of mobility scooters in the Dolphin Shopping Centre to support a return to independence and the reduction of social isolation caused by lockdown | People with physical difficulties | Poole | 258 | 1 |
| 25/09/2020 | Wimborne Minster Folk Festival t/a Allendale Cafe Ltd | £5,000.00 | Continuing to provide hot meals and food parcels to those in financial need due to the impact of Coronavirus | People living in poverty | East Dorset | 160 | 27 |
| | | | | | | 13,860 beneficiaries SO FAR | 1158 volunteers involved |

Grants supporting the survival and reopening of community buildings

| Date awarded | Group | Amount Awarded | Funded service/activity | Primary Beneficiary | Location of beneficiaries | Number of beneficiaries | Number of Volunteers involved |
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| 29/07/2020 | Poole Community Exchange | £2,000.00 | Purchase of storage shed to support the continuation of food delivery services | People living in poverty | Poole | 1000 | 13 |
| 26/08/2020 | Parkstone United Reformed Church | £2,000.00 | Contribution towards kitchen refurb, to support local charities running food services from the church, to address food poverty, isolation and loneliness | People living in poverty | Poole | 1000 | 15 |
| 03/09/2020 | D'Urberville Centre | £1,000.00 | To help replace loss of income and cover the cost of cleaning/sanitation supplies for the reopening of Wool Village Hall | Local residents | Purbeck | 500 | 2 |
| 25/09/2020 | St James the Great - Village Cafe | £5,000.00 | Contribution to a toilet block at the church to enable them to offer a space for local community groups and continue their village café helping to reduce loneliness & isolation | Local residents | North Dorset | 35 | 6 |

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| 12/10/2020 | Winterborne Whitechurch Village Hall | £1,000.00 | Cost of cleaning and sanitary equipment to make the hall ready for - social activities for the community to help address isolation | Local residents | North Dorset | 972 | 15 |
| | | | | | | 3507 estimated future beneficiaries | 51 volunteers involved |