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CORONAVIRUS APPEAL

Over the last five weeks, we have been humbled and inspired by your response to our Wiltshire & Swindon Coronavirus Response Appeal. Combining your generous support with funding from the National Emergencies Trust, we have collectively raised an amazing £543,135! Thank you so much for your support and for trusting us to ensure this funding reaches those who need it most.

If you would like to support the appeal please visit
www.wiltshirecf.org.uk to donate



PROVIDING IMMEDIATE RELIEF

We know the importance of acting quickly and ensuring funding reaches those in need as swiftly as possible. In some cases, we have assessed and awarded grants within 48 hours. Since the launch of our Coronavirus Response Fund on 1 April we have awarded 71 community groups with a total of £269,478 helping an estimated 45,000 local people. The scale of need is huge and our grants team are working flat out to assess and award grants every day. We are funding remote phone support for people dealing with poor mental health and disabilities, domestic violence, loss of income, loneliness and isolation. Practical support has been provided to low income families, delivery of food and essential items to people in isolation and assistance to frontline workers.

This has only been possible because of your support.

Thank you.

HIGH SHERIFF GRANTS



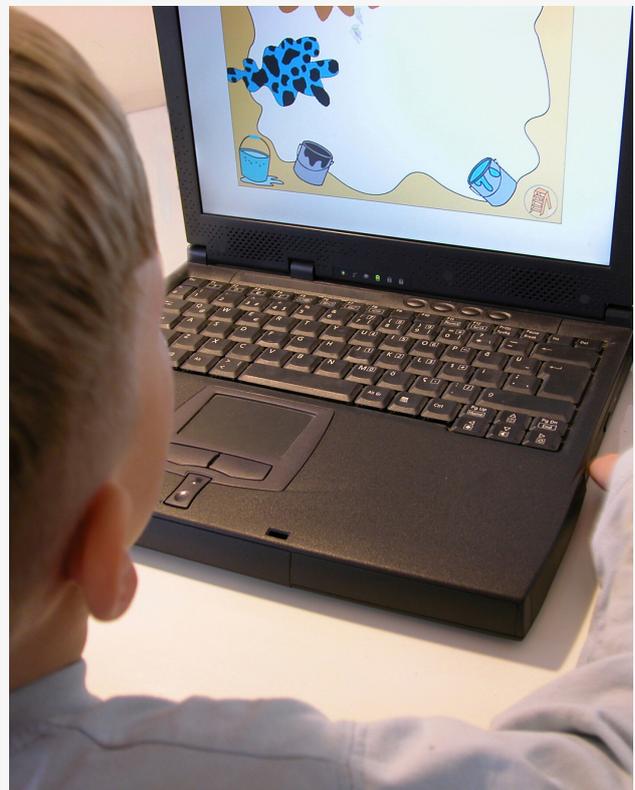
On 8 April our High Sheriff Panel awarded £8,000 of grants shared between 4 community groups delivering innovative youth projects - God Unlimited Outdoor Therapy, Wiltshire Youth for Christ, Young Melksham and The Platform Project.

Over the last 32 years, the High Sheriff Fund has awarded in excess of £148,000 to local community groups working hard to bring communities together to tackle local issues. Grants have supported projects focused on reducing anti-social behaviour and crime in local neighbourhoods, tackling drug and alcohol related crime and re-offending and reducing violence against women and youth crime.

EDUCATION SUPPORT GRANTS

Through our Education Support Programme, we offer grants to children and young people under the age of 25 who need support with their education, due to a disability, learning difficulty or health issue. Grants of up to £1,000 are available for equipment, resources, activities and therapeutic services which will improve educational opportunities and enhance a child or young person's development.

On 22 April, our Education Grants Panel approved grants totalling £3,415 providing 6 young people with vital equipment that will support their education.





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