

## Best Practice Team Grant Programme

At Crisis, we believe that homelessness can be ended. We are convinced that some of the practical solutions to achieve this sit within local organisations and in the Best Practice Team our aim is to spot, encourage and support new initiatives, especially for hard to reach and vulnerable groups.

In 2020, we are looking to support projects across England, Wales and Scotland through financial and consultancy support which work to end homelessness across the 4 themes that we have identified in the Crisis Plan to End Homelessness; prevention, rapid rehousing, welfare and migrant homelessness.

Successful projects will show the involvement of people with lived experience in the creation and development of the idea, clear ideas around the outcomes and impact that the project will have and how homelessness can be ended through it. We can fund projects that last a year, or maybe longer if the model requires it, and have a 4 year £900k fund at our disposal to be distributed across the 4 themes.

### *Next steps:*

We are keen to encourage applications to the Fund from small organisations who we know often do innovative work within their locality. For this reason, we have deliberately streamlined our grant application process to make it as straightforward as possible to apply, and to develop conversations and relationships with us which last longer than the duration of the grant.

Simply talk to the Senior Best Practice officer in your theme, give them an outline of your proposal and how you see the money from the Grant Programme helping. Then put that in writing, with a brief introductory letter setting out the details of your organisation and your current work, which addresses

How do you know there is a need for this project and who will benefit from the work?

What difference will be made and how will the project achieve and monitor this?

Why are you the right organisation to run this project?

How would you use funding? Give some details of the proposed budget

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Windows for applications will open in March- May 2020 and will be considered by a Grant Panel including Crisis Members, external experts and our research and evaluation team. We'll feedback whatever the outcome.

We look forward to working with you.