

## New Grants Summer 2018

Organisation Name	Location	Amount awarded
The Zinthiya Trust	Leicester	£9,960
<p><b>Project:</b> £15+</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Over 12 months, the project will support 120 women to change their relationship with money, maximise their income and reduce expenditure to increase household income by at least £15 per week. The project will include debt management, ensuring maximum eligible benefits are being claimed, employability support and consumer advice. Each woman is provided with a tailored package of support. Support will be delivered through clinics, drop-in and one to one session. Guides, toolkits and hand-outs will be produced to train others on the project after it has finished.</p>		

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PlatformThirty1 Ltd	Alfreton, Derbyshire	£7,955
<p><b>Project:</b> Lean On</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> The aim of the project is to use psychology and neuroscience with financial skills and personal development to support 30 women over 12 months to become financially resilient. The project will focus on learning how brains form patterns of automated, negative thought and learn to disrupt this enabling woman to move forward with steps to become financially resilient. The project will be delivered in ex-coalfield areas through sessions, one to one mentoring and action sets.</p>		

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Saathi House	Birmingham	£9,900
<p><b>Project:</b> Sowing Aston Project</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> The project will support 35 women in gaining skills and experience to improve their economic circumstances by training them to grow nutritious food in local gardens, allotments, patios, rooftops and window ledges by using hydroponic systems. Harvest will then be sold through a local market at Saathi House. The project aims to lead to improved employability, financial resilience and confidence.</p>		

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Solihull and Birmingham Women's Aid (BWSA)	Birmingham	£10,000
<p><b>Project:</b> Positive Futures Birmingham</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Working with 30 young women who are survivors of domestic abuse, over 12 months the project will promote their emotional and economic resilience through empowerment sessions, breakfast clubs, and one to one finance and budgeting work. The project will also provide access to training, apprenticeships and employment and engage 66 other women accessing BWSA in elements of the project.</p>		

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Sophie Hayes Foundation	Birmingham	£5,125
<p><b>Project:</b> Day 46 Birmingham</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> This project aims to interrupt the cycle of exploitation and trafficking through confidence building and getting survivors into education, training or work. Through eight workshops over eight weeks and six one to one coaching sessions across six months the project will help 40 survivors of trafficking lead an independent and free future.</p>		

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Tenbury Wells No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS)	Tenbury Wells, Ludlow and Leominster	£7,000
<p><b>Project:</b> Taking NILS to women in rural areas</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> The project will establish a portable mobile unit that can be taken to women in the countryside, setting up in village halls and community centres for women to access a no interest loans scheme of up to £400 over 24 months and support. The loans will support women in acute financial need with an ethical alternative to high interest short term loans. Existing NILS clients have used loans to fund essential items for employment, annual public transport passes or white goods.</p>		

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Bangladeshi Women's Association	Sandwell and North Birmingham	£10,000
<p><b>Project:</b> The Revival Project</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Over 12 months the project will engage 50 women who have left forced marriages and survivors of honour based violence. It will address the lack of 'aftercare' for women who have survived such experiences by providing employability and educational support through TEFL, ESOL and CV writing classes. The project aims to provide women with the skills to lead an independent life and reduce numbers returning to abusive relationships and life-threatening situations.</p>		

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Smart Works Birmingham	Birmingham	£10,000
<p><b>Project:</b> Smart Works</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> The project aims to enable unemployed women in Birmingham to succeed at job interviews by providing a two hour appointment during which high quality interview clothing, styling and one to one coaching is provided. Over 12 months the funding will assist Smart Works in reaching 375 women and engaging 20 new referral partners.</p>		

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Together Women Projects (Yorkshire and Humberside)	Hull	£9,699

**Project:** Building Better Futures

**Project Summary:** Working with 40 women who have come out of the criminal justice system, the project will assist them in pathways towards employment education or volunteering. The project will work on risk management, teamwork, negotiating and influencing, financial literacy, initiative and effective communication amongst others.

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Lancashire Women's Centres	Blackpool	£10,000

**Project:** Unlock Your Potential

**Project Summary:** Delivered from the Blackpool Centre, the project will work with up to 25 women with multiple complex needs to help them develop their skills and explore employment opportunities. The project aims to reach women who are often ineligible for existing employment support programmes as they might be in work, but living in poverty; employed in menial or zero hours jobs or working cash in hand. The project will run group training, vocational skills where women can access a £150 personal budget, and run a series of micro pop up business opportunities for women to be involved in.

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Mettle Workers CIC	Wallasey, Merseyside	£5,000
<p><b>Project:</b> Mettle Workers</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Working with the 'sandwich' generation, caught between caring for aging parents and dependent children, the project aims to create opportunities for 24 women over 12 months who have had to leave their jobs and careers but are too young to retire. The project will provide one to one coaching to promote financial resilience.</p>		

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The Growing Club	Morecambe	£8,670
<p><b>Project:</b> Crafty Women</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> The project will create a 'crafty women programme' where it can set up a physical space providing resources for 50 women to create their work outside of their home. This will address the isolation issues many face, and enable them to work in collaboration, thus building their confidence via peer support. It also gives them access to shared equipment that they could not afford individually.</p> <p>The project will also help them find routes to market for selling their work, thus building their confidence in their ability to bring in an income. Alongside that the project can run start up workshops to teach business planning, marketing and sales skills as well as financial planning and cash flow management.</p>		

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MPower People CIC	Wirral	£8,350
<p><b>Project:</b> MPower Your Finances</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Project will deliver crisis support, advocacy support and financial literacy training to women with disabilities, learning difficulties, caregivers and women experiencing mental health issues. Over the course of a year the project hopes to engage with 30 women with long term health conditions towards greater financial literacy, increased skills and access to employment opportunities.</p>		

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4Wings Northwest CIC	Liverpool	£11,448
<p><b>Project:</b> WINGS next steps programme</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Programme of personal development courses integrated with creative activities enabling the survivors of domestic abuse to regain ownership of their lives and raise expectations of their futures. The project will include improving basic life and employability skills, personal coaching and linking women up with education, employment and training.</p>		

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Fourth Action	Amble, Northumberland	£10,000
<p><b>Project:</b> Rural women working together</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> A holistic programme for 20 women to take the steps to develop and sustain income through enterprise. The programme will include a mix of workshops, one-to-one mentoring, money advice, personal awareness and confidence development, accredited introductory vocational courses including people skills, the service sector, trading online and enterprise skills. A further 20 women will take part in some elements of the programme.</p>		

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Support and Mentoring Enabling Entrepreneurship (SAMEE)	Bournemouth, Dorset	£9,000
<p><b>Project:</b> Disability Aware Mentoring Supporting Entrepreneurial Ladies (DAMSEL)</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> The project will launch a test and learn pilot aimed at providing tailored business start-ups support for 50 women with disabilities in Dorset. The project will entail five specialist business start-up workshops, three networking meetings, training sessions and ongoing personalised mentoring support. The project will have a steering group, already established, comprising of three women with disabilities.</p>		



Organisation Name	Location	Amount awarded
Kilmarnock Road Children and Young People Family Resource Centre	Hartlepool	£9,648
<p><b>Project:</b> Actually...I can!</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> A project for 20 women, first developing confidence and self-belief and the second phase, focussing on financial resilience and employability up skilling including CV workshops, jobs clubs and child care provision. The project will tackle fears around the change to universal credit and run workshops in this.</p>		

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Loud Arts CIC	Blyth, Northumberland	£7,300
<p><b>Project:</b> Feel Good</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Will provide 80 women with the opportunity to become a Feel Good Coach with associated qualification and accreditation. Becoming a Feel Good coach will enable beneficiaries to obtain a licence to deliver feel good/fitness sessions in local communities and earn an income from this. The training will also enable the beneficiaries to understand budget planning, session planning and delivery of the Feel Good sessions. The project will provide women with the opportunity to teach community Feel Good sessions, generating a source of income whilst raising women's self-esteem and business understanding.</p>		

Organisation Name	Location	Amount awarded
Exeter CVS	Exeter	£10,000

**Project:** CoLab Exeter Resilient Women Project

**Project Summary:** A core aim of the project is to enable the increasing numbers of disadvantaged and vulnerable women in Exeter to have access to help and support to achieve and sustain financial independence and reduce vulnerability to financial abuse.

In order to co-create this offer the project will; summarise the published evidence on what works to support women; explore experiences and strategies of women who are 'experts by experience' within learning/co-design programmes to help women to gain financial independence utilising an action research approach; generate an evidence-informed offer and learning programme and test this in practice; establish an awareness raising and skills-building programme to enable multi-agency workforce development; establish action learning groups to analyse and make sense of emerging data and create policy and practice improvement; work in partnership with a cohort of local employers to support the development of women's employability skills to enable them to re/enter the workforce and support women to create their own social enterprises and small businesses.

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Grimsby Institute of Further and Higher Education (GIFHE)	Skegness and East Lindsey	£9,950

**Project:** SELECT Women: Skegness & East Lindsey Employability and Confidence Training for Women

**Project Summary:** Working within the three most deprived wards in England the project aims to progress 10 NEET students through a skills based 'Academy' / access course so young people can develop their confidence, financial literacy and experience taster sessions before they progress back into formal and vocational training. This will raise confidence, aspirations and build skills for individuals to financially support themselves and their families.