

Grant Report

Name of Organisation
Victim Support
Date and amount received
22 July 2019 £100
What were the funds spent on
The purchase of security items that we provided free of charge to victims and their families such as personal alarms and small security items for the home -dummy CCTV, window or door alarms to make people feel safer in their homes.
Benefit to your Organisation
Without local support from Parish Councils we would need to use our supply of security items more sparingly which would mean that not every combination of items could be chosen to best reflect the needs of the victims we work with
Benefit to the Community
Residents supported via our community based service receive immediate emotional and practical support when they are contacted by our team. At this point we discuss how the crime has impacted the individual and what support we can provide to help that person cope and recover. Support can include advocacy, personal alarms and window/door alarms, referrals to other specialist agencies, if appropriate and information provision. £100 could purchase 20 fake CCTV cameras, 62 window alarms, 42 door handle alarms or 55 segment timers that can help to make people feel safer in their homes. It could also purchase 62 personal alarms to aid victim's confidence to feel safer and find the strength to move forward after crime. This truly beneficial resource has such a positive impact on victim's recovery

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Name of Organisation
Alresford Men's Shed(AMS)
Date and amount received
£1,500 received 15/10/2019
What were the funds spent on
£942 of the funds was spent on gaining planning permission for the new Men's Shed, with the remainder being held as part of the restricted Buildings Fund. The building fund is for the new shed which will be built when AMS receives notice to quit the current building, The timing of construction is indeterminate since it is dependent upon the schedule for the new Public Car Park and surrounding buildings on the Dean.
Benefit to your Organisation
Having obtained planning permission, hopefully the capital in the building fund will have grown sufficiently before we are given notice to leave, to enable the workshops to be built and enable the Men's Shed Project to carry on in Alresford. Thereby continuing to meet the objectives of improving the lives of the members and facilitating their work on projects and repairs for the benefit of Alresford as it has done since 2017.
Benefit to the Community

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Name of Organisation
St. John the Baptist Church, New Alresford
Date and amount received
<u>7th November 2019, £2000.00</u>
What were the funds spent on
Annual upkeep and maintenance of the churchyard, including the burial ground.
Benefit to your Organisation
<p>We have until 2016 relied on purely voluntary efforts to maintain the area--carrying out all the tasks including mowing, waste and rubbish removal, grave tidying, pruning of bushes, trees and undergrowth and general tidying and maintenance all the year round.</p> <p>The existing capacity of the burial area is estimated to run out in five to eight years. Accordingly, we are having to continue to create additional capacity by removing older gravestones (older than 100 years) to the side walls of the ground. This is specialized work, and has to be paid for in order for the burial ground to remain as a facility.</p> <p>The provision of a burial space for the whole town is a cost that would otherwise be borne by the local community's taxes, via the councils. The only alternative to St. John's is the Morn Hill area, at considerably increased cost of burial.</p> <p>Apart from the existing NATC Grant, all of the expense is borne by voluntary contributions from the congregation of St. John's, for the benefit of the wider Alresford community, including the other churches in the town.</p> <p>The garden machinery, skip hire and equipment used, the considerable maintenance costs of this, together with relevant environmental disposal costs, are also provided by St. John's.</p> <p>The extensive area of the churchyard has proved burdensome for the handful of volunteers who work on the churchyard. We are having to look to other means to maintain its good appearance, which now include payments to contractors for tree, area and gravestone work.</p>
Benefit to the Community
<p>St. John's provides the whole population of New Alresford with a vital community facility, which has been recognised by NATC's grant of up to £3,000 p.a. up to 2020 for which the church remains extremely grateful. The church provides this facility for the wider community, from its congregational resources. The whole ground is a valuable and much-used area of green space for the whole Alresford community e.g. for the Watercress Festival, Apple Day and other activities and events.</p>

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Name of Organisation
Winchester Basics Bank
Date and amount received
<u>April 2020 £500</u>
What were the funds spent on
<u>New equipment for opening a Food Hub in Alresford</u>
Benefit to your Organisation
<u>Opening a new Food Hub in Alresford</u>
Benefit to the Community
<u>A facility for accessing emergency food for people who need such support in Alresford and the surrounding area</u>

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Name of Organisation
Citizens Advice Winchester District
Date and amount received
£500 received in May 2020
What were the funds spent on
The money granted to us from New Alresford Town Council has been used to help us adapt our service during the Covid-19 pandemic so that we could deliver all our advice by phone, email and webchat from the homes of over seventy staff and volunteers. This has included funding new equipment, such as the purchase and running costs of additional smart phones; supporting the additional hours provided by our advice supervisors to help them manage the increased demand for our service; and helping us to cover increased costs of stamps and postage which has arisen as a result of no longer being able to get signatures on third party documents and correspondence in person.
Benefit to your Organisation
Funding from local Parish Councils is of enormous benefit to our service. It costs us just over £300,000 a year to provide a free advice service to the local community and whilst we have been very lucky to receive a regular grant from Winchester City Council, we still have to raise around £60,000 each year from local funders just to keep our service operating. The Covid-19 pandemic has created additional financial pressures on our organisation at the same time as an increase in demand for our services, so having this financial support has been extremely welcome indeed.
Benefit to the Community
Being able to provide a free, confidential and impartial advice service throughout the pandemic has been of enormous benefit to the local community. We've seen a significant increase in client numbers during this period. For example, in the first 12 weeks of the pandemic our client numbers were almost double what they would usually be for that time of year and the number of people contacting us about employment issues tripled. Over the course of the past 11 months, almost 200 people from Alresford have sought help from Citizens Advice and our advice team has helped a total of 7,051 clients with more than 16,000 different issues. The most common advice issues have been around benefits, employment queries and issues relating to housing particularly homelessness and issues with rented properties. As a result of our advice we have helped our clients gain more than £1.3 million in financial gain, which has had an enormous impact on the lives of those who we've supported particularly those who have been made redundant or lost their regular income, or people living with a disability / long-term health condition.

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Name of Organisation
New Alresford Town Trust
Date and amount received
August 2020 - £1000
What were the funds spent on
The upkeep for 2020 cost £6000 of which grass cutting was £4000.
Benefit to your Organisation
<p>The Trustees thank NATC for £1000 in that respect for 2020</p> <p>The Trustees believe that the Avenue is the most important feature in Alresford. It was given to the residents of the Town in 1869 by the Bishop of Winchester. The Trust is the body responsible for its upkeep on behalf of the Town. This is a legal obligation but we believe (as NATC did in 2010) that NATC has a moral obligation to contribute towards the upkeep of the Avenue .</p>
Benefit to the Community
<p>As regards 2021 the Trust will spend £900 re 4 yearly tree survey and the further monies re action on the tree survey. Trustee Ernie Jeffs is also planning further work on drainage and reduction of mud patches outside Charles' house.</p> <p>Action on the drainage has commenced and has already started de-compacting the soil and scattering grass seed on the bare patches.</p> <p>Tree crowning is part of the solution and this review will be covered in the Tree Survey .</p>

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Name of Organisation
Busy Bees Pre School
Date and amount received
4 th November 2020: £946.20
What were the funds spent on
The funds were spent on a sink and accessories as well as role play equipment.
Benefit to your Organisation
It has helped us to improve our provision for young children and also to improve our financial security and therefore job security of our staff.
Benefit to the Community
<p>Due to funds being incredibly tight over the past few years and running at a deficit until recently, we have not been able to update or replace the children's equipment as we would have wanted to.</p> <p>The items we bought have enhanced the children's learning development and also helped us to enhance our current provisions regarding Covid-19 which in turn help us to keep them safe.</p>

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Name of Organisation
Friends of Sun Hill Junior School
Date and amount received
27th November 2020 £1000
What were the funds spent on
We bought three picnic benches for the playground. The benches are made of recycled plastic and are rainbow coloured.
Benefit to your Organisation
The benches provide a welcome space for children to meet, relax and play or craft together during their break time. One bench is wheelchair accessible creating an inclusive play space for the children to share and socialise.
Benefit to the Community
The benches look lovely and improving the appearance of our school. Not all children feel willing or able to run or play in the open space of a playground and the benches provide a fantastic opportunity for more intimate or less physically demanding activity. Encouraging mixing and collaboration, the benches offer an alternative to traditional activity and bring the children closer together to build a stronger community bond.