



Scotch Whisky Action Fund – 2014 Awardees

Young People			
Organisation	Amount Awarded	Project Description	
Youth Alive (Dumfries & Galloway)	£24,985	Towards the salary costs of a Senior Youth Worker (Alcohol Misuse), staff training, transport costs, volunteer expenses and training plus educational resources to update and roll out their award winning PARTY programme (Providing Alcohol Related Training for Youth) and Nithsdalers programme to a wider geographical area. Both programmes deliver alcohol education to young people aged 12 -18 from Dumfries and Galloway alongside fun diversionary activities incorporating skills for employment. Through this project Youth Alive will fully review and update the PARTY programme introducing a new online element for increased accessibility, pilot and refine the new Alive! programme with new cohorts at 2 existing Dumfries school partners and 4 new school partners, develop the organisation's capacity to provide 'train the trainer' training to community and youth workers in Bellshill, Govan and Easterhouse so that professionals operating in these areas feel more confident about tackling youth alcohol misuse in their areas, and evaluate and review the programme so that they can offer train the trainer courses on the Alive! approach to schools and youth organisations across Scotland. It is anticipated that 150 young people from Dumfries and 30 community and youth practitioners will benefit from the project.	
Mentor (Foundation) UK	£22,342	Towards the cost of a part-time Project Officer, travel costs, resource materials, Dynamic Youth Awards, and Development Manager costs and overheads to enable the organisation to provide a series of six 12 week training programmes that will address alcohol misuse and offending behaviour with youth offenders under the age of 18 within HMP Polmont Young Offenders Institute. The project is seeking funding to run the programme as a 12 month pilot initiative and participants on the programme will have the opportunity to join a development group which will play an integral role in the project's development providing training programme will focus on personal and social development, active engagement and citizenship providing a basis for the reintegration of the young offenders back into the community. The project officer will work with the young participants in the programme and liaise with agencies and community organisations pre and post release to ensure that the young people can continue to be supported upon release and put their skills to use within the community. A total of 60 young men aged between 16-18 years of age are expected to benefit from the programme.	





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Islay & Jura Community Enterprises	£9,000	Towards the cost of employing a Youth Co-ordinator to develop a new preventative programme of sporting, vocational, leisure, educational and social activities for young people aged 10-18 years from Islay and Jura. The programme will incorporate peer education and alcohol awareness training throughout all elements of the project. It is anticipated that around 210 young people will benefit from the project by increasing awareness of the dangers of alcohol misuse and encouraging more young people to engage in positive options and choices with regard to their lifestyle.
Clued Up Project	£6,981	Towards the staff costs of a nurse, detached youth worker and a substance misuse worker plus additional resources and running costs to enable a Mobile Alcohol Intervention Team targeting young people under the age of 18 to operate consistently across Fife. The project will deliver alcohol brief interventions and follow up sessions to reduce health risks and antisocial behaviour; and to influence the choices that a young person makes in relation to alcohol consumption. It is anticipated that 84 young people per annum will benefit from the project.
Saltcoats Youth Action Group	£8,040	Towards sessional staff costs, venue hire and dry bar consumables and equipment to enable the organisation to roll out the P.A.R.T.Y at the Bevy and Boke Bar pilot initiative which they ran last year in North Ayrshire. P.A.R.T.Y. stands for 'Providing Alcohol Related Training to Youth' and the pilot initiative engaged 448 young people in a 6 week alcohol education programme utilising a mobile bar which was taken from area to area to train young people in making mocktails and engaging them in fun and serious discussion about the dangers of alcohol misuse. The pilot sought to change attitudes towards alcohol and binge drinking and the results from the baseline information gathered during the pilot indicates that young people did know more about alcohol and the risks involved and that young people also shared concerns over their parents and guardians drinking habits. Through the roll out of the pilot it is anticipated that the project will be able to engage with more young people (c.1,000) across further areas of North Ayrshire.





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Families			
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Carers of West Dunbartonshire	£11,340	Towards the staffing costs for a new part-time Project Worker (15 hours per week) for a period of 12 months to implement the SEARCH (Support and Education for Alcohol Related Challenges in the Home) project in West Dunbartonshire. The project will develop an alcohol education programme for carers; establish an emotional support system for carers; and seek to influence policy and practice to raise awareness of the issues faced by carers of those with alcohol related issues. The project will target younger adults aged 18-25 years who are at risk of using alcohol as a coping mechanism for carer related stress and older adults aged 65 and above who are emerging as a 'hidden' group of people with alcohol related issues. The project is expected to benefit c.25 individuals over a one year period.	
Communities			
You Decide t/a Space Unlimited	£3,222	Towards the costs of a part-time Project Manager for a 6 month period, running costs and travel to enable the organisation to undertake a youth-led enquiry and community dialogue event designed to develop insights and generate ideas for an innovative youth led intervention to reduce alcohol-related harm. The Project Manager will facilitate the process of recruiting 15 -20 secondary school age young people from Port Glasgow in Inverclyde to lead on the enquiry process which will ascertain how young people can play an active role in reducing alcohol related harm in the Port Glasgow area. These young people will then be involved in a wider schools consultation process to generate ideas and potential solutions which will feed in to a wider community dialogue prior to the publication of a report summing up the insights and recommendations arising from the enquiry. Follow up funding will then be sought to turn the ideas generated into action. It is anticipated that around 140 young people and adults will be involved in the enquiry process.	
Outside the Box Development Support	£4,100	Towards the cost of sessional Development Worker time, volunteer expenses, travel and design and print costs to enable the organisation to develop and test a new approach to increasing alcohol awareness among older people around Scotland. The organisation will work with groups of older people in South Lanarkshire, Highland, and Central Aberdeenshire to develop information for members about alcohol and the changing risks that it can bring to people as they age as well as developing materials that highlight the ways in which older people can enjoy alcohol safely. The older people's groups will then use these resources to support individual older people in their communities and develop peer support where required. The project will result in the production of short, practical resources for other groups that are in touch with older people to show them how to support older people's safe use of alcohol and pointing them to sources of help and advice for people who need it. Around 50-80 older people will benefit over the course of the project.	