

## Centre for Social Action – Rehabilitation Social Action Fund Frequently Asked Questions

### What is social action?

Social action can broadly be defined as:

- more than traditional volunteering, including a wider range of practical actions in the service of others
- carried out by individuals or groups of people working together
- not mandated and not for profit
- done for the good of others; individuals, communities and/or society
- bringing about social change and/or value

### Who can apply for the fund?

Charities or social enterprises using social action to reduce reoffending in England can apply. Applicants will need to have at least two years experience of using social action with offenders and have existing referral pathways in place.

### How much money is available?

Up to £3.5 million for all grant recipients. Individual grants will be of a value of between £50,000 and £250,000.

### What will be funded?

Programmes using social action to reduce reoffending by influencing intermediate outcomes such as sustained housing, drug and alcohol use, or social capital. Grant recipients will be able to use their funding for:

- Set up costs
- Frontline delivery
- Evaluation
- A percentage of core costs (e.g. overheads)
- Mentor/ volunteer expenses

### How do I apply?

Applicants must apply through the Government Procurement Service eSourcing Portal – find out [full details of how to apply](#).

### When do I need to apply?

The deadline for applications is 5 September 2013.

### How long is the funding for?

The funding will be from October 2013 to the end of March 2015.

### Will applicants need to bring match funding?

There will be a preference for applications with 50% match funding (in kind or financial).

### How many programmes do you intend to fund?

The total number of grants will depend on the size and quality of applications received.