Frequently Asked Questions – Evolve CU Community Fund 26/27

Can an individual apply?
Yes, if they live or work in Causeway Coast & Glens or Mid & East Antrim, or within a 10-mile radius of Antrim town. An individual can demonstrate meaningful personal benefit without needing to reach a large number of people.

Can I apply in more than one window?
Yes. Individuals and organisations may apply more than once during our published application windows. However, their combined Community Fund awards must not exceed £1,500 in any rolling 12-month period. Each application is assessed separately. To correct or add information to an existing application, contact us rather than submitting it again.

How much funding can I receive?
The maximum total award is £1,500 per individual or organisation in any rolling 12-month period. For example, you could receive three awards of £500, provided your combined awards stay within this limit. We may award only part of the amount requested. Funding is subject to availability.

Can a previous recipient apply again?
Yes. There is no requirement to wait 12 months before applying again. Your request must take account of any Community Fund awards already made to you or your organisation during the preceding 12 months. Previous support does not guarantee a further award.

Does the funding limit reset at the start of a new financial year?
No. The £1,500 limit applies to any rolling 12-month period, across all application windows and financial years. It does not reset on 1 October.

Can different teams within one club apply separately?
No. The organisation must apply as a whole. The £1,500 rolling 12-month limit includes awards to all its teams and sections.

What happens if more information is needed?
We may contact you for further information before your application can be fully assessed. We aim to communicate a decision and, for successful applications, make payment within four weeks of receiving a complete application. This is a target, not a guarantee. We will explain what is needed and let you know if the target date changes.

Does closing a window stop processing?
No. It pauses new applications. Applications already received continue through assessment and, if successful, payment.

Can I apply for something that has already started?
For an event, project or activity, please apply before it starts and allow time for a decision and payment. Applying does not guarantee funding or payment before your planned date.

Will I need to acknowledge Evolve Credit Union's support?
Yes. If your application is successful, we will agree suitable arrangements with you. These may include social media mentions, our logo on relevant materials or a written update explaining how the funding helped. You do not need your own social media account.

Will photographs or videos be shared?
We may arrange photographs, videos or a recipient story for our website or social media. Any necessary permissions for identifiable people will be obtained separately before publication.