

Centre for Social Action Funding Streams, 2013-15

The Centre for Social Action, led by Cabinet Office, aims to identify and accelerate the development and spread of high impact social action initiatives.

Through the Centre, Cabinet Office has now invested £36m in 215 social action projects through a number of funding streams. We have also developed partnerships that have leveraged an additional £31m investment for these initiatives.

Some funding streams have been taken forward in partnership with Nesta, the UK innovation foundation, through an [Innovation Fund](#).

All funding has now been allocated so please note these funds are not open to expressions of interest.

Health, Ageing and Care¹

Dementia Friends	The Centre is supporting this initiative, launched in 2013 by Alzheimer's Society, to drive a culture change in how society responds to dementia.
Reducing Winter Pressures Fund	This fund is supporting social action interventions that help older people stay well, manage their health conditions or recover from illness or injury, thereby reducing pressures on hospitals during winter 2014/15.
Carers Social Action Fund	This fund is backing volunteering programmes to provide support to unpaid, family carers.
Social Action End of Life Fund	This fund supports projects using volunteers to provide companionship, emotional support and practical help to people at their end of their lives and their families.
Helping in Hospitals	This fund, delivered through the Innovation Fund, supports six hospitals to expand the reach and impact of their volunteering services.
Managing long-term health conditions	This funding stream, delivered through the Innovation Fund, supports projects that help people with long-term conditions to self-manage and enjoy a better quality of life.
Ageing Well	This funding stream, delivered through the Innovation Fund, is supporting projects using social action to help older people to lead active, happy and fulfilling lives.

Young Potential and Social Mobility

Vulnerable and Disengaged Young People's Fund	The fund supports volunteering programmes which provide support for young people in vulnerable circumstances, including young offenders and young people in and leaving care.
Social Action Fund Accelerated Scaling Fund	This fund supports four projects previously funded through the Social Action Fund and Follow on Funding that tackle educational disadvantage, and embed young people's

¹ The Centre for Social Action also supports a small number of other social action projects designed to support people to age well and to tackle isolation.

	participation in social action in local libraries and sports clubs.
Youth Social Action Fund and Youth Social Action Journey Fund	These two funds invest in the creation of new opportunities for young people and reward and recognition, to help raise participation by young people in social action by 50% by 2020.
Young People	This funding stream, delivered by the Innovation Fund, backs projects that help young people to succeed and find employment.

Rehabilitation

The [Rehabilitation Social Action Fund](#) backs projects that use social action to provide support to ex-offenders to help them to stop committing crime and transform their lives.

Community action

Cities of Service UK	This initiative, delivered through the Innovation Fund, backs seven cities to mobilise the talents and energy of volunteers to meet city wide challenges.
Community Organisers' Social Action Fund	This fund tests, develops and shows evidence for projects inspired through the Government's Community Organisers programme.
Community Energy Peer Mentoring Fund	This fund supports the development of community energy projects, helping groups to form consortia and giving larger groups the resources to mentor others.
Social Action Energy Pilots and Playbook Fund	This fund, now concluded, was set up to run pilots in six housing associations to test the impact of volunteer-led energy campaigns on household energy use.
Impact Volunteering	This funding stream, delivered through the Innovation Fund, supports projects using 'impact volunteering' to support public services.

Employment and Prosperity

This [funding stream](#), delivered through the Innovation Fund, supports projects using social action to help unemployed people improve their skills and confidence and get back to work.

Digital

This [funding stream](#), delivered through the Innovation Fund, backs digital projects with potential to enable social action, from providing platforms to facilitating mass movements.

Notes

The Centre for Social Action has also supported Join In as part of our commitment to support the legacy of the Olympics and Paralympics.