

Time to Change Grants Fund Launches Round 2

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The Time to Change Grants Fund is currently accepting applications to support projects in England that address mental health stigma and discrimination by bringing people with and without mental health problems together.

In addition to opening the second round, the Fund announced that 16 projects from the first round have received part of the £2.7 million which will be allocated to approximately 75 projects across England from May 2012 to March 2015.

Competition for the first round was stiff with 380 applications seeking funding of more than £19 million. Funding will go to 14 projects working with adults and two projects working with children and young people in the West Midlands.

Registered charities, constituted community groups, faith organisations, community interest companies, constituted voluntary organisations, social enterprises, and co-operatives are invited to apply for Round Two which will run from 31 July 2012 until 21 September 2012. They can apply for grants of between £10,000 and £100,000. Most grants will be in the amount of £10,000 to £40,000.

Time to Change says that as with the first round, it is looking for "projects that challenge attitudes and break down stigma and discrimination. Projects must bring people with mental health problems into contact with those who have no experience of the issues, and start meaningful conversations about mental health in their communities."

Eligible projects must also be led by people with first-hand experience of mental health problems. 25% of the fund overall will be awarded to projects working with Black and Minority Ethnic communities and 20% will go to projects that work with young people.

An application form and guidance notes can be found on the Time to Change website: [Click Here](#)

There will be four rounds of funding with two in 2012 and two in 2013.

The second deadline is 21 September 2012 (2.00pm).