

Appendix 1 Homelessness Prevention Grants Recommendations 2026-27

Group Name	Activity Name	Activity summary	Total cost of the activity	Income sought from the City Council	Minimum contribution to enable a revised activity	Provisional Funding for 26-27	Funding awarded for 25-26	Reason for nil award & other comments
Cambridge and District Citizens Advice Bureau	Cambridge & District Citizens Advice Homelessness Prevention Project	Homelessness prevention and housing support for single people and families to move from supported housing into private rented accommodation and to support clients to prevent or avoid eviction. Specialist independent support, advice and representation around housing and debt issues: support with housing benefit, rent and other arrears, debt advice, crisis intervention, negotiation, legal advocacy, rights and tenures.	£61,890	£35,000	£30,000	£30,000	£30,000	Also in receipt of a multi-year Community Grant and Discretionary Rate Relief.
Cambridge Cyrenians	Supported Housing Service	Provision of supported housing for around 150 single homeless adults (18+) per year, which supports them to build independence and personal skills to move permanently away from homelessness.	£28,499	£28,499	£14,250	£14,250	£8,500	

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Cambridge Cyrenians	Older Homeless Service (OHS)	Support for single people aged 45+ who have experienced or are at risk of homelessness by providing a tailored package of emotional and practical support to prevent eviction, and thereby prevent homelessness.	£94,973	£50,000	£25,000	£25,000	£8,500	
Cambridge Housing Society Ltd (The)	The Young Parent Project	Supported Housing service for single young parents, aged between 16 and 25 and their babies. The service will accommodate and support ten young families including six new referrals, during the funding year. The service will continue to support four young families who have moved on.	£211,944 0	£32,591	£25,000	£25,000	£18,900	CHS Ltd also have a 3-year contract with Wintercomfort to provide an employment advice service for homeless and vulnerably housed people and are in receipt of a Community Grant.
Cambridge Women's Aid	Community Support Service	Provision of a specialist community support service for survivors of domestic abuse: a 24/7 emergency helpline, a navigation service, intensive individual and group support, resettlement support for	£237,016	£45,000	£45,000	£45,000	£40,000	Also in receipt of Discretionary Rate Relief.

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		families leaving refuge, and training for local professionals and community members.						
Cambridge Women's Resources Centre	CWRC Housing support	Personalised housing support delivered through interventions including: Advising homeowners following divorce or separation; Applications for Discretionary Housing Payments; Helping women sustain tenancies through practical support, landlord liaison and income maximisation; Supporting women and children in unfurnished temporary accommodation; Enabling moves on from refuge placements after domestic abuse; Advising on Local Housing Allowance rates and Home-Link bidding strategies; Supporting refugee women with no priority need to access housing.	£23,707	£23,707	£20,000	£20,000	£15,000	Also in receipt of a Community Grant and Discretionary Rate Relief.

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Cambridge shire Community Foundation	Cambridge Street Aid	Street Aid gives individual grants to people with a history of street homelessness, via referring partners. The grants are intended to help prevent people returning to the streets or a street lifestyle. Funding towards Street Aid fund administration and marketing and funding to enable provision of grant awards.	£17,733	£14,733	£13,063	£14,733	£14,000	
Centre 33	Centre 33 Cambridge Housing & Homelessness Project	Young People's Homeless and Housing Support Service for 13-25 year olds. 500 enquiries; 100 individual support for over 18 and under 18 year olds in conjunction with partner agencies, (585 city beneficiaries; 100 access direct support) plus outreach workshops material provide to 5 city schools/colleges.	£66,949	£66,949	£55,000	£40,000	£40,000	Also in receipt of a Community Grant and Discretionary Rate Relief.

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Concrete Rose Collective CIC	Co-Living Pilot	Funding to pilot accommodation programme for care leavers and young people at risk of homelessness. Addition of youth coaching, weekly therapy, and a dedicated mentor. 40 annual coaching sessions per participant alongside targeted therapeutic interventions. It will also support volunteer-led skills-building, trips, and activities that strengthen social connections. The pilot will begin by supporting four care leavers in Cambridge.	£127,587	£15,576	£12,936	£15,576	NEW	
Experience Cambridge CIC	Employment Cambridge Project 2026/27 Programme	This project aims to help homeless or at-risk individuals access employment and stable housing by providing sustainable pathways out of homelessness.	£32,340	£18,000	£12,000	£-	NEW	The application duplicates some of the Councils contract employment advice services already in place. The project lacked detail to evidence how the tours would provide sufficient funding to secure tenancy for the

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								<p>participants/beneficiaries. The proposed activity does not strongly align with the priorities of this scheme.</p> <p>Inconsistencies in reporting in accounts compared to bank statements. This group is currently funded in part via our Central Government Rough Sleeping Grant, which we may make available again for 26-27 depending on our allocation.</p>
Hope into Action UK	Empowerment Worker support for persons experiencing homelessness	Empowerment Worker support for 8–10 tenants in four 2-bed Hope into Action homes in Cambridge City. The workers help tenants in nine key areas, including maintaining tenancy, mental and physical health, substance use, education and employment, finances, social relationships, crime prevention, and meaningful	£113,236	£16,905	£15,000	£16,905	£15,000	

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		use of time. The aim is to support tenants to live independently, reduce risks, and develop skills for long-term stability.						
It takes a City (Cambridge)	The Haven - Women's Services Co-ordinator	Funding for a Women's Services Coordinator for 30 hours per week to provide support at The Haven over night off street facility, for two nights per week and for a single day time session to enable service users to connect with services that operate during working hours.	£96,950	£33,250	£27,000	£33,250	£29,700	Also eligible for Discretionary Rate Relief when the Valuation Office has valued the premises and the award can be calculated and will be backdated.
It Takes a City (Cambridge)	Crossways Summers	Provision of care, support and supervision in supported temporary accommodation in single en-suite rooms for up to 20 single people at any one time, from March to October, for whom the Council has a duty to provide temporary accommodation and who are assessed as needing such support.	£20,036	£20,036	£20,036	£20,036	NEW	ITAC also have a 3-year contract with the City Council for the delivery of the winter provision for rough sleepers service at the same premises.

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It Takes a City (Cambridge)	Survive and Thrive Prevention and Transitional Support	Provision of support to rough sleepers in private sector accommodation. Survive and thrive service for anyone in self-contained or small shared accommodation with a recent history of rough sleeping or homelessness who do not have a confirmed support offer: tenancy sustainment and resettlement support; meals, food parcels and practical help; rapid moving in service; mentoring and befriending service; employment outreach service; pastoral care and welfare; supported modular housing.	£43,750	£38,000	£19,000	£38,000	£35,000	See above.
Jimmys Cambridge	Modular Homes	Support for residents of 22 modular homes including find and stay in employment, find positive out of work activities, build new relationships, signpost to specialist support, act as mentor/friendly face via	£85,414	£42,707	£25,624	£42,707	£38,618	Jimmy's is also in receipt of Discretionary Rate Relief.

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Jimmy's Cambridge	Expansion and formalisation of TRiM (Trauma Risk Management)	Funding to expand TRiM (Trauma Risk Management) across Cambridge's homelessness sector, providing in house, training to help 6 staff members manage trauma and build resilience.	£47,442	£47,442	£23,721	£-	NEW	Poor alignment with grant scheme outcomes as it is a step removed from the direct homelessness prevention. Some TRiM training for 25-26 is currently covered by our Central Government Rough Sleeping Grant.
Wintercomfort for the Homeless	Crisis Intervention for Rough Sleepers in Cambridge	Providing crisis intervention work for rough sleeping adults in Cambridge – supporting 60 people to progress to a more stable, independent life.	£25,517	£25,517	£19,282	£19,282	£19,000	Wintercomfort also have a 3 year contract with the City Council, alongside CHS Ltd, to provide an employment advice service for homeless and vulnerably housed people. Also, in receipt of Discretionary Rate Relief.

Total grant available	Total grant applications	Offers	Set aside for award under contractual agreements	Total spend
£400,000	£553,912	£399,740	£120,000	£519,740