

## Joseph Matthews Funding Programme 2019 – 2020/21

### **Brief for the Joseph Matthews Trust**

The relief of poor persons of the age of 70 years or over who are resident or have been living for at least 2 years in Bath and the surrounding area.

### **Overview**

The demographic landscape of the south-west is changing significantly. By 2024 the percentage of people in the region aged over 65 is expected to increase to 23.8%, making it the region of England with the largest percentage of people in this age range.

St John's delivers a number of activities to support this section of the population and we aim to expand this work over the coming years. Through generous legacy funding from The Joseph Matthews Trust, St John's is able to offer a new funding opportunity to charities operating in Bath and the surrounding area, whose work benefits people aged 70 and over.

We are currently welcoming applications which address loneliness, isolation and the improvement of health and wellbeing for older people. Charities will be seeking to either expand their existing projects or to create new initiatives. We would like to see innovative proposals which provide fresh ideas and solutions to existing issues for our older population.

At St John's, we believe people should be treated equally and supported to live as independently as possible. We would like to see these values reflected in any applications we receive.

### **Eligibility**

The Joseph Matthews Funding Programme is available for registered charities working with people aged 70 and over, living in Bath and the surrounding area.

### **Measuring Impact**

Successful applicants will be expected to provide regular reports along with statistics and analytics which demonstrate the positive impact of their programmes.

**Funding** £73,000 to deliver either a two-year or three-year project

**Application deadline** 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**How to apply** Please visit the Funding Support pages of our website to register as a user of our funding portal and submit your application online at <http://stjohnsbath.org.uk/funding-support>.

When applying, please use our application form for registered charities and reference 'Joseph Matthews Fund' in the main body of the application text.

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