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2014 / 2015 Recommendations for the Community and Voluntary Organisations Grants Commissioning Programme

Theme **Community Safety**
Strategic Objective **Strong, Active Communities**

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2013/14	Recommended for 2014/15
<p><u>The Childrens Society</u> The Children’s Society has been working in Oxford since 2001. Working with unaccompanied asylum seeking minors and refugee children in schools focusing on their inclusion and integration in the city. The children and young people they work with are from societies that are vastly different from the UK and get mixed messages from adults, other young people and their own observations around sexual behaviour</p> <p>Children and young people from these societies need to access information and support to better understand British society, its laws and rules around what is appropriate and what is not. This will include appropriate behaviour with girls, Internet safety and protection, stay safe, make safe choices and keep other young people safe.</p> <p>They currently work in partnership with 4 secondary schools and local further education college and run weekly drop in sessions at Oxford Spires Academy and City of Oxford College (formerly OCVC).</p> <p>The funding will be used to fund 1 part time education worker, one day a week plus the support costs for the post. The post holder will run interactive sessions in Cheney School, Oxford Spires Academy, Oxford Academy & City of Oxford College.</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£8,000</p>
<p><u>A2 Dominion Housing Group</u> A project providing practical and emotional support for females and males experiencing domestic abuse. With a growing need for specialist support for victims of violence, intimidation and abuse, this project has a good track record supporting victims of domestic violence.</p> <p>They work to improve the quality of life for females, males and any children by working in a holistic approach to support and using family intervention</p> <p>The funding will be used to fund 1 FTE domestic violence outreach worker and support costs for the post.</p>	<p>£35,082</p>	<p>£35,082</p>
<p><u>Oxford Sexual Abuse & Rape Crisis Centre</u> A telephone helpline service which is run by a team of trained volunteers. Enabling victims of sexual violence to deal with the effects of these crimes in their lives and improve access to information.</p> <p>The helpline is open 4 times a week and is the only agency providing specialist services for survivors of sexual abuse and rape.</p> <p>The funding will be used to contribute to the core running costs for this work.</p>	<p>£15,000</p>	<p>£15,000</p>
<p><u>Totals</u></p>	<p>£50,082</p>	<p>£58,082</p>

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Theme Inclusive Play & Leisure for Children & Young People with Disabilities
Strategic Objective Strong and Active Communities

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2013/14	Recommended for 2014/15
<p><u>Parasol Project</u> A project providing integrated play, recreational and social opportunities for children and young people with learning and /or physical disabilities in Oxford City</p> <p>A good track record of delivering play and leisure opportunities for children and young people with disabilities. Integrating them with their non disabled peers.</p> <p>This organisation also supports other play facilities across the city by providing trained ‘enablers’ (an enabler is someone who will support individual disabled children or young people to access mainstream activities).</p> <p>The funding will contribute to the delivery of this work.</p>	<p>£15,000</p>	<p>£15,000</p>

Theme Community & Voluntary Organisations Infrastructure
Strategic Objective Strong and Active Communities

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2013/14	Recommended for 2014/15
<p><u>Oxfordshire Community & Voluntary Action (OCVA)</u> OCVA is the main umbrella body for the voluntary and community sector in Oxfordshire. Providing advice, information and training, acts as advocates and representatives at a strategic level and builds partnerships.</p> <p>The funding will be used to contribute towards the core running costs of this organisation.</p>	<p>£48,736</p>	<p>£48,736</p>

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2014/2015 Advice (including Money Management) Commissioning Strategic Objective Strong and Active Communities

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<p><u>Blackbird Leys Neighbourhood Support Services</u> (also known as Agnes Smith Advice Centre)</p> <p>This advice centre is located on Blackbird Leys and aims to ensure the best practices in the delivery of free independent, impartial and confidential advice.</p> <p>Area of delivery is Blackbird Leys and the surrounding area. This funding will contribute towards their core running costs (including £7,750 rent payable to Oxford City Council).</p>	£85,290	£85,290
<p><u>Oxford Citizens Advice Bureau</u> Located in the centre of Oxford, the citizens advice bureau offers self help and assisted information. A free confidential advice service including signposting, generalist and specialist casework for client's city wide.</p> <p>This funding will contribute towards their core running costs.</p>	£200,000	£200,000
<p><u>Oxford Community Work Agency (OCWA)</u> Located at Barton in the Neighbourhood Centre, this organisation is an independent community advice and information centre. This organisation comprises of Barton Advice Centre and Oxfordshire Welfare Rights.</p> <p>The focus of OCWA is the provision of specialist advice in social welfare law and debt advice. Supporting individuals who live locally in Barton, Headington, Risinghurst and throughout Oxford.</p> <p>This funding will contribute towards their core running costs (including £8,100 rent payable to Oxford City Council)</p> <p>Additional funding to cover increased work due to the loss of Legal Aid</p>	<p>£94,000</p> <hr/> <p>£28,611</p> <p>£122,611</p>	<p>£94,000</p> <hr/> <p>£28,611</p> <p>£122,611</p>
<p><u>Oxford Credit Union</u> Promoting social inclusion by providing a community based saving and loans co-operative that is accessible, straightforward and affordable.</p>	£20,000	£20,000
<p><u>Rose Hill & Donnington Advice Centre</u> Located in Rose Hill this advice centre aims to relieve poverty in Rose Hill, Donnington and the surrounding area by providing information, advice and assistance on all matters relating to welfare benefits & debt.</p> <p>This funding will contribute towards their core running costs (including £3,000 for rent payable to Oxford City Council).</p>	£90,478	£90,478

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Totals	£518,379	£518,379

Notes for Advice Commissioning Organisations

1. During 2014/15 Oxford City will continue to work with the advice sector to ensure that by April 2015 the Advice Sector is able to work together to deliver personal budgeting support to clients with debt.
2. During 2014/15 Oxford City will work with Oxford Credit Union to explore opportunities to make them more self-sufficient.
3. All marketing material should state that they are supported by Oxford City Council