

supPORT-all

Funding for local charities and community groups





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Port of Aberdeen is on the lookout for charities and community groups who could benefit from its 2025 supPORT-all programme.

Since 2014, Port of Aberdeen's supPORT-all programme has awarded £800,000, benefitting more than 210 local initiatives and supporting over 200,000 children and adults across Aberdeen.

Available funding

For 2025, Port of Aberdeen will donate £25,000 through its supPORT-all programme.

Funding will be allocated to charities and community groups in monetary awards ranging from £1,500 to £7,500.

This will be bolstered by commitments from Port of Aberdeen to provide time, resources or equipment when appropriate.

Who can apply

Charities and community groups applying to supPORT-all must be based in areas local to the port, or be based in Aberdeen and undertake significant, proven project work in areas local to the port including:

**Altens - Balnagask - City Centre - Cove - Footdee - Garthdee
Kincorth - Torry - Tullos**



What we can't fund

Applications made to supPORT-all should be for a specific project or initiative, with clear aims and measurable impacts.

supPORT-all funding will not be provided for:

- Salaries or employee training costs
- Rent or utility costs, including gas, electricity etc.
- Sponsored events to raise funds for charity
- Commercial ventures, including business start-ups
- Individuals
- General appeals or mailshots

Please note that meeting the funding criteria does not guarantee that funding will be provided.



Application review

The supPORT-all programme is competitive and each application is considered on its own individual merit. Applications that make the most convincing case for funding are most likely to be awarded funding.

All applications are reviewed, scored and shortlisted by Port of Aberdeen's Communications Department.

Successful applicants will be informed in April 2025.

How to apply

All applications must be submitted using the supPORT-all application form which can be completed using the link below. Applications must be submitted no later than **5.00pm** on **Wednesday 26 March 2025** to be eligible for consideration.

[APPLY HERE](#) 





supPORT-ing the local community

"I haven't really got friends in the area now I've retired, so coming out somewhere like this and just mixing with people gives you something to look forward to every week."

PARTICIPANT, ROBERT GORDON UNIVERSITY 'MOVEMENT MATTERS' GROUP

"Port of Aberdeen's funding had a massive reach throughout the Foyer enabling so many groups to make huge differences across Aberdeen City whilst developing their own skills, confidence, and community involvement and connections."

NICK DONELAN

DEVELOPMENT COACH, ABERDEEN FOYER

"The generous donation of £5,000 towards our 'Breakfast for All' initiative has had a significant impact on our learner's wellbeing, ensuring that they have a good start to each day and are ready to return to class, ready to learn, for the day ahead."

MISS WATT

HEAD TEACHER, LOIRSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

supPORT-all in action: RGU physiotherapy student-led classes

In October 2021, RGU established a weekly physiotherapy student-led 'Movement Matters' group at the Old Torry Community Centre. The classes provide local residents of all ages and abilities, with access to free exercise classes designed to improve balance, mobility, and strength. The classes promote physical and mental wellbeing while helping reduce the risk of falls and life-changing injuries support independent living, and address social isolation for those in need.

Funding from Port of Aberdeen in 2023 and 2024 enabled the classes to not only continue their work in Torry, extend their reach to support the Garthdee community, but also include a pop-up health clinic in Torry too. Today, the programme has 40-50 regular attendees, with 77% having attended consistently for over a year, and new members joining each month. It's also one of RGU's strongest community outreach and engagement programmes.



supPORT-all in action: Russell Anderson Foundation

The Russell Anderson Foundation improves the lives of children in socially deprived areas of Aberdeen through life-changing programmes that make a sustainable and measurable difference to their health and wellbeing.

Funding from Port of Aberdeen provided practical cooking sessions for 100 children, where they learn valuable life skills such as budgeting, creating shopping lists, and following healthy, affordable recipes.

It allowed the Foundation to support 250–300 children in community-led activities, helping them develop skills and confidence in a supportive environment. The new Skills Hubs are now integral to community life, providing essential resources and learning opportunities. Their success has also inspired similar initiatives being developed in other communities facing social deprivation.



supPORT-all in action: Big Noise Torry

Since its launch in 2015, Big Noise Torry has worked with over 750 children and young people from the Torry community, using an orchestral setting to teach life skills and experiences.

Funding from Port of Aberdeen allowed Big Noise Torry to expand the programme to a full symphony orchestra model through the introduction of wind and brass instruments to pupils. The new trumpets, flutes and clarinets are helping ensure as many young people as possible are benefitting from Big Noise Torry.

Port of Aberdeen also supported the coordination of school concerts by providing volunteers from its communications department.



General conditions of funding

- The funding can only be used for the purposes outlined in the application.
- If your application is successful, you will be sent a media pack. Charities and community groups are asked to follow the media pack to help communicate their funding announcement from supPORT-all.
- Upon successful award of funding, you will be required to provide your banking details to Port of Aberdeen for efficient allocation of funds.
- After the funding has been awarded Port of Aberdeen may ask your charity group or organisation to:
 - Provide updates on how your charity or community group's initiative is progressing.
 - Provide images and video of your charity or community group's initiative in action.
- The funding awarded must be spent within 12 months from the date it was approved. If details of your initiative change you must let Port of Aberdeen know as soon as possible.

