

# Communications guide for projects funded by The Bupa Foundation Green Community Grants programme

## Introduction

We encourage you to promote your success in securing a grant through the Bupa Foundation Green Community Grants programme and have provided some handy tips to help you. You can do this through the local media, social media and online, and this guidance lets you know how to use Groundwork and Bupa Foundation branding.

## **Requests for communications support**

The Bupa Foundation is a charity which supports healthier communities. Groundwork UK is managing this 'Green Community Grants' programme on behalf of The Bupa Foundation and is committed to gathering inspirational stories to show the impact the grants have had. This may mean we may contact you to request the following:

- Hosting a Bupa Foundation camera crew
- Hosting a visit of Senior Bupa and/or Groundwork officers
- Hosting a media event
- Hosting a professional photographer (at no cost to you) to take promotional images
- Developing a case study of your project for use on our website or in social media

# **PR & Press**

We want to help you celebrate and commemorate your project. However, your project should not be publicly announced until you have met all of the conditions of your Award and had this confirmed by your Grants Officer.

Once you have received this you are then free to promote the grant and your project in line with your Terms and Conditions and this guide. Local media is a great way of raising support and awareness for your project. To help you do this, you may wish to issue a press release to announce your project has received funding from The Bupa



Foundation Green Community Grants programme. If you would like to issue a press release about your involvement an example template is included on the documents page which you can adapt and use yourself – simply fill in your information and find your local media contacts through a quick Google search.

If you have any questions about your press release, please email <u>media@groundwork.org.uk</u> and <u>bupafoundationgreengrants@groundwork.org.uk</u>

# **Case studies**

At Groundwork, we are always looking for stories to tell about the amazing people we work with. We would like to hear from our grant recipients about their projects and the people they support.

If you are interested in telling your story you can submit more information about your project via the below link and we will be in touch. https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/gwk-community-stories

# Social media

Social media is a good way to spread the word about your project.

You can spread the word about your project this way and to help we have some produced example text for you to use:

- Absolutely delighted to have been awarded a @BupaFoundation Green Community Grant for £[INSERT AMOUNT].
- We'll be using our £[INSERT AMOUNT] #BupaFoundationGreenGrant to [DETAILS OF PROJECT]. #HealthyPlanetHealthyPeople

These are just examples, so please feel free to come up with some of your own. You could also include images from your project to show how the grant will help.

Please use the hashtag #BupaFoundationGreenGrant when talking about the grant on social media.

- On LinkedIn you can tag @BupaFoundationUK and @groundworkuk and on Instagram you can tag @BupaFoundation and @groundwork\_uk
- If you are posting on X or Facebook, please use #BupaFoundation



**Top tip:** pictures and videos help make people interested and share your message. It's also a good idea to take a 'before' picture if relevant, so you can show the difference the grant has made.

# Project photography and film

Groundwork and The Bupa Foundation may contact you during the delivery of your project to arrange for professional photography and film to be taken at your project. Any resulting photography and film may be used by Groundwork and The Bupa Foundation for promotional activities.

Please do share with us any films or photographs that you produce to promote your project by emailing us. By sharing this content with us, you confirm that you have the explicit consent of anyone featured in the film or photographs for the content to be used by Groundwork and The Bupa Foundation for promotional activities.

## **Contacting your local MP**

You can also write to your local MP with details of your Bupa Foundation Green Community Grant and invite them to visit as this can be an excellent way of drawing your MP's attention to your project. If you're unsure of who your local MP is, you can find a searchable database of MPs here.

#### **Blog/website/newsletter**

If you have a blog, website or newsletter, you can use the following text to describe your Bupa Foundation Green Community Grant:

 Our project has received a £[INSERT AMOUNT] grant from the Bupa Foundation Green Community Grant Programme. The Bupa Foundation is a charity funded entirely by Bupa to help create healthier communities. They run and help fund practical projects that improve both people and planet health. Find out more about the Bupa Foundation here: www.bupafoundation.org



## Logos and branding

We have logos that you should use in relation to your project, for example on posters or reports. The logos must not be changed in any way other than making them smaller or larger. If you want to use either Groundwork or Bupa Foundation's logo on any products or permanent locations please speak to us first.

You can download the logo via this link: <u>https://www.groundwork.org.uk/bupa-foundation-comms-toolkit/</u>

#### **Events and invitations**

If you would like to generate further publicity for your project and receipt of the award, you may like to consider arranging an official launch event for your project or a celebration for project beneficiaries at the end, at which Groundwork and The Bupa Foundation may be represented. You should email us with details of the event, giving at least two weeks' notice <u>bupafoundationgreengrants@groundwork.org.uk</u>

## **Media enquiries**

If you have any national media or journalists' enquiries regarding The Bupa Foundation Green Grants Programme or your funded project, we would ask that you contact us as soon as possible:

Email: <u>bupafoundationgreengrants@groundwork.org.uk</u> and <u>media@groundwork.org.uk</u>

Telephone: 0121 237 5802

#### Queries regarding your funding

If you have any questions about your project or about receiving the funding, please contact:

Email: <a href="mailto:bupafoundationgreengrants@groundwork.org.uk">bupafoundationgreengrants@groundwork.org.uk</a>

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