

# The Tesco Charity Trust Community Award Guidelines

#### Community Awards Scheme criteria:

The Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards Scheme provides one-off donations of between £500 and £4,000. The funding we give goes towards providing practical benefits, such as equipment and resources for projects that directly benefit children, the elderly and adults and children with disabilities, living in the local communities around our stores in the UK.

### Projects we have previously supported include:

- ✓ Playground equipment in schools and local communities
- ✓ Sensory garden or room projects
- ✓ Outdoor classrooms
- ✓ Breakfast and after school clubs
- ✓ Holiday play-schemes
- ✓ Part funding to purchase minibuses
- ✓ Befriending schemes
- ✓ Luncheon clubs / youth clubs
- ✓ Specialist equipment for disabled people
- ✓ Day trips / social trips for elderly / disabled people

### Requests falling outside our criteria include:

- Salaries
- ✗ Fundraising events or challenges
- Conferences of seminars
- ✗ Grants to individuals, including students
- \* Activities which collect funds for redistribution to other charities or individuals
- Purchase of land of buildings
- \* Refurbishment to fabric of buildings, including lift installations
- Overseas appeals
- **x** Expeditions or overseas travel
- × Promotion of religion
- Sponsorship and marketing promotions
- × Endowment funds
- Political donations

#### How to apply:

Applications should be made via our website, www.tescocharitytrustcommunityawards-applications.co.uk.

There are two categories of Community Awards:

- 1. Grants to support children's welfare and/or children's educations (including special needs schools)
- 2. Grants to support elderly people and/or adults and children with disabilities

There are two rounds of funding every year for each category, please see the timescales below. Applications made outside the timescales for your category cannot be accepted.

Decisions will not be finalised for approximately 3 months after the closing date of each round. Please consider this when completing your application.

### GRANTS FOR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S WELFARE

Applications should be made between:	Expected Decision date:
1 <sup>st</sup> December & 31 <sup>st</sup> January	End of April
OR	
1 <sup>st</sup> May & 30 <sup>th</sup> June	End of September

### GRANTS FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE AND ADULTS AND CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Applications should be made between:	Expected Decision date:
1 <sup>st</sup> February & 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of June
OR	
1 <sup>st</sup> August & 30 <sup>th</sup> September	End of December

Please note charities can only make one application each year.

# How are the decisions made?

Decisions are made by the regional Community Co-ordinators who are based in Tesco stores across the UK.

A certain amount of budget is available at each Community Awards round and the number of donation requests we receive always exceeds the funds available. Therefore this means some good applications, while meeting our criteria, may have to be refused.

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