

The Operation Payback Fund was launched in November 2020 by the Police and Crime Commissioner to put money recovered from criminal activities back into the heart of local communities. The fund is to support many local projects, services and community groups that strive to improve lives in their area and help keep making a positive difference in their neighbourhood often repairing the harm caused by crime.

Operation Payback Fund Grants Awarded 2021 - 22

Organisation	Outline of bid	Award
South Tyneside		
First Contact Clinical CIC	This project will deliver focussed support to 200 offenders over the age of 18 in relation to mental and physical health to reduce reoffending.	£24,671
South Shields FC Foundation Limited	This project will work with the Police and Youth Justice Service to run a project for young people, at risk of offending/re-offending, to participate in preventative activities and reparation.	£9,500
Sunderland		
Wearside Women in Need (WWiN)	This funding will contribute towards the 'Recovery Unit' based in Washington Village for women with complex needs.	£22,000
Evolve Youth Inclusion	This project will deliver a youth inclusion programme in Hendon blending traditional youth work, sports coaching and diversionary activities.	£16,500
International Community Organisation of Sunderland (ICOS)	This project will provide one-to-one advice and guidance to the non-UK born community living in Sunderland and the surrounding areas affected by domestic violence/abuse, anti-social behaviour and hate crime.	£11,312
Streetgames Southwick	This project will provide a new youth intervention programme to be delivered in Southwick, Sunderland, to engage young people in safe and positive activities, working to prevent youth crime from occurring and to address the root causes.	£9,000
North Tyneside		
Linskill & North Tyneside Community Development	This project will deliver weekly issue based youth provision and diversionary activities from the community centre situated in Battle Hill.	£25,000
Cullercoats Collective	This project will fund the creation of Beach Ambassadors and the organising of a number of free events that run on the beach	£6,746

	across the summer to reduce anti-social behaviour.	
Northumberland		
Cowpen Quay Community Association	Funding provided for the centre to continue their work to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour by enabling a wide range of projects and activities to be available in the community.	£25,000
YMCA - Northumberland	Funding to deliver a diversionary youth programme called Y-Engage, this is to target and engage young people currently involved in, or at risk of being involved in, anti-social behaviour and violence in the town of Ashington, with a particular focus on the Hirst area.	£12,652
Allendale Youth Ambition	Funding to provide a further programme of outdoor activities, particularly attracting those who, due to Covid, contact has been lost with, and who are on the fringes of anti-social behaviour.	£10,000
Gateshead		
Groundworks NE & Cumbria	Funding to provide detached and outreach youth work and also the formation of a steering group for local people and businesses in the Lobley Hill area.	£12,500
Dunston Community Centre	Funding for a project to tackle youth disorder by supporting young adults who have been excluded from school, expelled or served community sentences to become mentors to challenged teenagers encouraging, influencing, guiding and supporting them to similarly take responsibility for their actions.	£12,500
The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company	The project will involve creating an innovative training and workshop package, digital training and learning package and accessible materials to address the issue of Extremism and the exploitation of people with learning disabilities aimed at the disabled community and those that work to support them.	£10,000
Friends of Chopwell Park	Funding contribution to flood lighting for the multi-use cycle track which will enable the track to be in used during the darkness hours after school which is a key time of anti-social behaviour especially in the winter months.	£1,000
Newcastle		

WEWAG West End Women & Girls Centre	Funding to deliver targeted work in the west end of Newcastle, running the innovative Edible Elswick 'Garden Neighbours' project on local estates.	£15,900
Newbiggin Hall Play and Youth Network (Action for Children)	Funding to improve the connectedness and effectiveness of existing projects which will impact on the visibility and uptake of services and the provision of diversionary youth club sessions run at Galafield, Newbiggin Hall.	£12,500
Streetwise Young People's Project	Funding for the 'MEET UP MONDAYS' project, targeted at BAME young men aged 13 – 16 years living in and around Newcastle, to develop increased local knowledge, history and cultural awareness with the aim of reducing the likelihood of members becoming involved in anti-social behaviour, gangs, or a victim of crime or a perpetrator of violence.	£11,588
ACANE African Community Advice North East	Funding to provide advice and signposting to victims of hate crime, domestic abuse, serious violence and anti-social behaviour focussed on the BAME community.	£2,960
Across Area		
Edge NE	This project will deliver specialist support for girls associated with gangs and will provide this service across the whole of the Northumbria region.	£25,000
Acorns with Tyneside & Northumberland MIND	Funding provided for a pilot programme of support for children aged from 4 years who have witnessed or been involved in an incident of violent crime, the effects of which have adversely affected their happiness and wellbeing. This will deliver in North Tyneside and Northumberland	£24,885
Family Gateway	Funding for an early intervention and prevention project across Newcastle and Gateshead focused on intensive and bespoke community-led support for medium and high level victims of anti-social behaviour and young people who are involved in anti-social behaviour and at risk of escalating to more intense and criminal behaviour. This will deliver in Newcastle and Gateshead	£23,330
Gateshead and South Tyneside Sight Service	This project aims to reduce the risk of cybercrime among vulnerable adults, particularly blind and partially sighted people in Gateshead and South Tyneside.	£15,400

GemArts-Gateshead Visible Ethnic Minorities Support Group (GVEMSG)	Funding for an art based project focussed on hate crime and anti-social behaviour across Newcastle and Gateshead focussed on both the BAME and wider community of both areas.	£10,000
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