



Growing Communities in Scotland travel or training bursaries

Site visits travel or training bursaries for community gardens, therapeutic gardens or city farms

The *Growing Communities in Scotland Site Visits Travel Bursary*, funded by the Big Lottery Fund, is open to anyone actively engaged in community or therapeutic gardens or city farms who wishes to either visit other such groups to share ideas and good practice or to attend training. This bursary scheme is not for allotments. The Allotments Regeneration Initiative runs a bursary scheme for allotments groups to visit other allotments sites. For more information on this, please go to www.farmgarden.org.uk/ari

You may apply for up to **£300** in total for travel and associated expenses for up to 6 people to visit other community gardens, therapeutic gardens or city farms.

Application success depends on your application *and* available funding. Applicants will be informed of the decision within one month of applying. **Please note that we cannot pay funding retrospectively. Please do not book your trip until you have heard the outcome of your application.**

Advice on planning your visit

Bursaries are awarded to applicants that can demonstrate that the proposed visit will inform and assist their own community garden, therapeutic garden or city farm.

FCFCG and Trellis can help you identify community gardens, therapeutic gardens and city farms across Scotland to visit. You will need to make contact with the project that you are interested in visiting and arrange a suitable date. For further information, please contact:

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Factors to bear in mind

- Identify what you want to learn before researching sites to visit, eg if you have had little success with grant applications, why not visit a site that has built up a secure income from various sources?
- Why not plan a trip to visit 2-3 projects in one area?
- Consider inviting relevant people from outside your organisation to take part in the visit, eg a sympathetic councillor, or potential partner organisation.

If you would like help filling out this form, please contact us.



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Site visits travel bursary application form

Please make your application at least one month before your visit takes place

Contact Name.....Position.....

Organisation.....

Address

Tel..... Email.....

1. About your Organisation

Please describe your community or therapeutic garden or community farm:

- How is it managed?
- What services does it offer?
- Who uses your garden or farm?
- How many people regularly use it?

Please outline the improvements or developments that you would like to see in your garden or farm that you feel a site visit will help you with.

Please feel free to attach further information about your garden or farm

2. About the project(s) you intend to visit

Name and location of project(s) that you propose to visit:

Have you contacted the projects you propose to visit? Are they happy for the visit to take place?

Why have you chosen to visit them specifically?

3. About Your Proposed Visit

Who would take part in your proposed visit? (Please include names and job titles if appropriate)

When do you plan to hold your visit?

4. About Your Budget

Please estimate costs of your visit with details of each item of expenditure:

We will let you know if you have been successful within one month of receipt of your application. Your bursary will be paid to you by cheque following submission of your expenses receipts.

If we are successful in our application, we agree to spend the bursary as stated unless permission is given otherwise, and to complete and return an evaluation form:

Signed..... Date.....

Thank you for filling out this form. Please return to:

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