

SOCIAL ACTION FUND - ROUND 2

SUMMARY REPORT

DECEMBER 2020



SOCIAL ACTION FUND - CAMDEN GIVING

The Social Action Fund builds on the success of the 2019 Communities Together Fund, which was a partnership with Volunteer Centre Camden and funded by the London Borough of Camden's 'We Make Camden' initiative. In the first year, 10 Camden residents were trained to become grantmakers and decided which organisations would receive funding. They funded 54 projects that brought together 14,000 residents through activities that celebrated the differences and diversity of groups and communities in Camden.

In 2020, Camden Giving and Cadent partnered to invest £5000 into the Social Action Fund to support projects in and around the Regent's Park area, with the aim of reducing inequality in the London Borough of Camden. The fund has provided flexible funding to small charities and social enterprises. Camden Giving worked with 12 local residents with lived experience of inequality to make funding decisions.



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TIMELINE - ROUND 2

Opened Fund - 3rd November 2020

Fund Deadline - 23rd November 2020

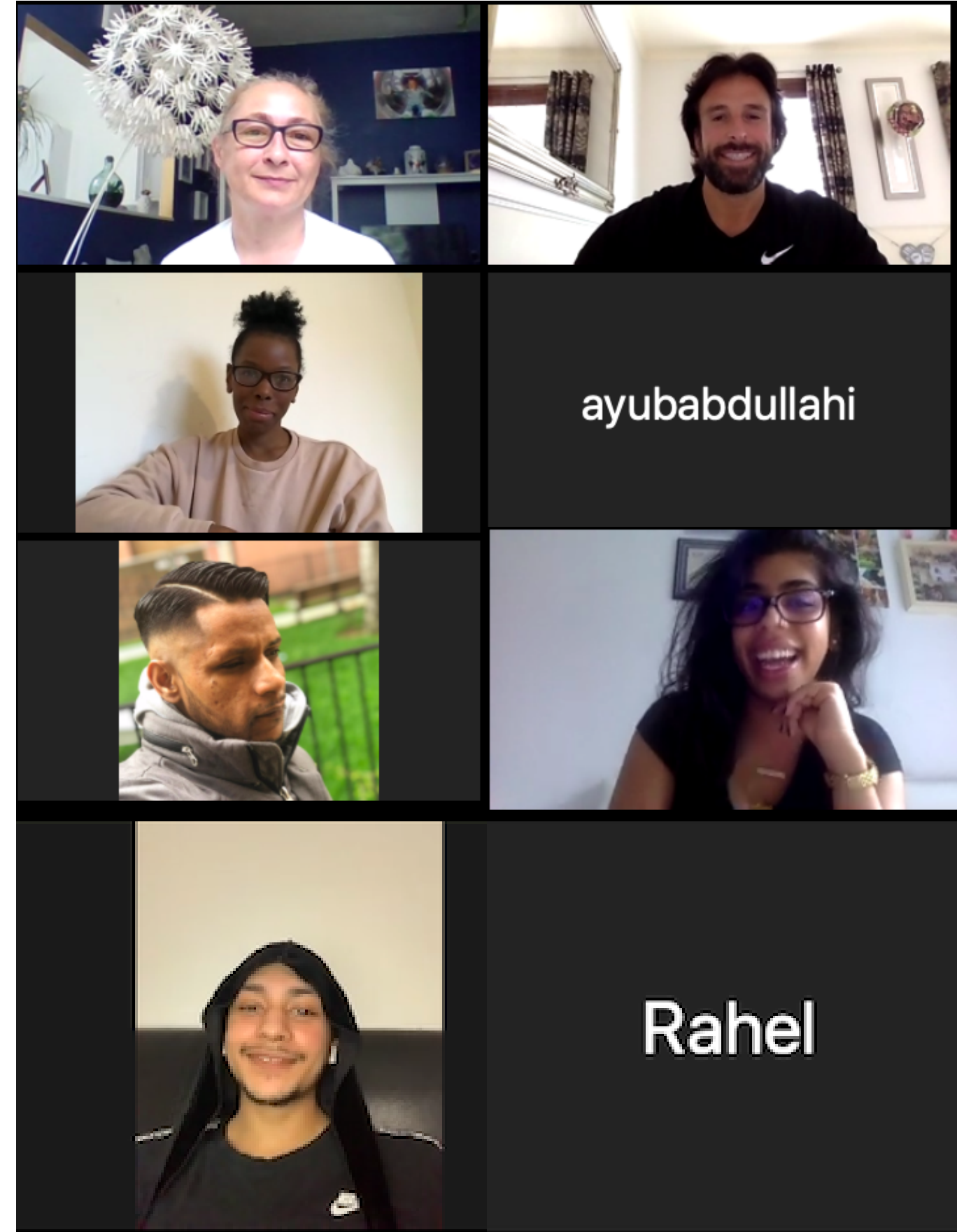
Panel Meeting - 9th December 2020

Awarded Grants - 11th December 2020

AMOUNT AWARDED

The Social Action Fund Panel awarded a total of £57,510.41 to 32 organisations.

SOCIAL ACTION FUND PANEL



Case Study - Hopscotch Women's Centre

WHO ARE THEY & WHAT DO THEY DO?

Hopscotch's vision is a society where all women are empowered, connected, well and safe, so they can achieve their full potential.



HOW WILL THEY USE THE SOCIAL ACTION GRANT?

Hopscotch have been awarded a grant of £1,500 for their 'Race Resilience Training.'

This grant will allow Hopscotch to continue to be there for disadvantaged women through staff inclusivity and diversity training, providing meaningful learning so they can understand and reach a broader range of Camden residents.

Case Study - Lifeafterhummus

WHO ARE THEY & WHAT DO THEY DO?

Lifeafterhummus are currently providing an emergency and ongoing Covid-19 response for the Somers Town and surrounding area, using food provision as a vehicle to provide social prescriptions.



HOW WILL THEY USE THE SOCIAL ACTION GRANT?

Lifeafterhummus were awarded a grant of £1,500 for their 'Black Men's Health and Resilience' project.

Their project aims to improve the mental health of BAME men in the Somers Town and surrounding area. Their beneficiary group have expressed a need for this project, as they have been affected emotionally, financially and physically by the pandemic.

Case Study - Sankofa Storytelling Arts

WHO ARE THEY & WHAT DO THEY DO?

Sankofa Storytelling Arts provide creative learning opportunities that enrich and foster critical thinking, leadership attributes and wellbeing characteristics to local children.



HOW WILL THEY USE THE SOCIAL ACTION GRANT?

Sankofa Storytelling have been awarded a grant of £1,500 for their 'The Positivity Bank' project.

Partnering with Urban Community Project (UCP) & Lifeafterhummus food bank services, this project support wellbeing, inclusion & resilience with the children of service users via Applied Theatre and expressive arts.

Case Study - Somers Town History Club

WHO ARE THEY & WHAT DO THEY DO?

Somers Town History Club works to increase social cohesion and to preserve memory and the heritage of Somers Town, an area undergoing huge changes.



HOW WILL THEY USE THE SOCIAL ACTION GRANT?

Somers Town History Club have been awarded a grant of £1000 (Cadent is covering £500 of their grant) to co-run 'Memory Walks', an oral history walk project delivered by a local resident.

This funding is to provide guided walks training to local residents., allowing them to develop transferrable employment skills. The organisation also hopes to capture the stories of the unheard and underrepresented, whilst also bringing different people together to build community cohesion.