

SCORE update March 2022

At the March committee meeting grants totalling £3,500 were made as follows:

Home-Start South Wiltshire. Grant £1,500

This charity provides support for families with children under 5 who are struggling to cope. This may be due to many factors including domestic abuse, mental health issues, debt, disability. Home-Start receives referrals from Health Visitors, GPs and other health professionals. Trained volunteers support families for a year with weekly visits. It costs £1,700 to support one family for a year.

Salisbury Street Pastors. Grant £1,000

Street Pastors are drawn from churches across Salisbury, including the Catholic community. They provide support and practical assistance to the vulnerable and socially marginalised on the City's streets at night. The grant goes towards training and uniforms for volunteers, plus resources such as space blankets, water, flip-flops and waterproofs.

Rise:61. Grant £1,000

This is a Christian charity serving the Bremerton Heath area, one of the most deprived wards in England. One of its aims is to change the negative reputation the area has by engaging with young people - encouraging creativity and giving them hope by promoting Christianity. The grant will be used specifically for aspects of Christian outreach.

Thank you for your continued support for SCORE.

There were insufficient funds available at the March meeting to satisfy grant requests in full. However, the committee gave a grant to each of the 3 applicants.

The next SCORE committee meeting is on 9 May 2022 and applications for grants should be submitted by the end of April 2022. Anyone in the parish involved in a charity, local or overseas, can apply for a grant for a project.

SCORE receives feedback from many of the charities receiving a grant. First hand accounts from 3 of these charities can be heard at an **Open SCORE meeting on Monday 16 May**. Watch the newsletter for details.