

SCORE update March 2026

At the SCORE committee meeting in March grants totalling £8,400 were distributed to 3 applicants, as follows:

The Bridge Youth Project A grant of £2,700 was approved

This project supports chaplaincy work in 15 local schools, including 3 secondary schools. It brings a sense of Christian spirituality to children and young people who may have little experience in this area. This mentoring helps the emotional wellbeing of children, reducing anxiety and increasing confidence. This is achieved by drop-in faith clubs, prayer spaces, collective worship and lessons.

Between October and December 2025, The Bridge welcomed 80 young people to a joint city-wide Youth Alpha programme.

The grant will be used to increase the number of trained volunteers so that more children can be reached. It will also be used to create teaching resources.

MANDO - Matonyok Nomads Development Organisation A grant of £3,000 was approved

SCORE funding will support the construction of one 20,000 litre rainwater harvesting tank at Nkuyan Health Centre, West Kajiado County, Kenya.

This is an area where many Maasai families live in dispersed settlements. Here there are prolonged dry seasons and during dry months women and girls walk 7 - 8 miles carrying 20kg containers of water.

The health centre often lacks sufficient water for hand washing, cleaning, sanitation, food preparation and maternity care. The proposed water tank at the clinic will serve patients, staff and surrounding households. Approximately 2,500 - 3,000 people will benefit directly or indirectly.

This project meets SCORE's mission to support vulnerable communities overseas.

Rise:61
A grant of £2,400 was approved

Inspired by its Christian faith Rise:61 works with families in Bemerton Heath, one of the most deprived areas in England. In particular it works with children in order to make the community a better place to grow up in, to break cycles of poverty and to bring hope and knowledge of Jesus.

Some of the projects that will benefit from the SCORE grant include an Easter Party which will explain the meaning of Easter; attendance at 2 Christian Festivals - a men's festival in June and a youth festival in July. Rise:61 is encouraging more fathers to become engaged with church as, generally, the rest of the family will follow. Also, young people are being more open to the Christian faith, hence the need to take more of them to Newday Youth Festival.

Thank you for your contributions to SCORE

The grants made on your behalf make a difference to the lives of people here and around the world. It is not always possible to give applicants the funds they are seeking but SCORE tries to support the excellent work done by charities with the funds available at the time of the application. The relief of poverty, advancement of education and promotion of Christianity are central to the SCORE mission.