

SCORE update September 2026

Three applications were received for grants and were considered at the September committee meeting. The total amount requested was for £7,500 and the amount awarded totalled £6,250.

This leaves the Overseas Mission Fund empty.

Grants were awarded as follows:

Morning Star (Salisbury)

A grant of £3,000 was awarded

This small Christian charity offers hope and a way forward for those seeking to rebuild their lives. Some are struggling with their mental health, or are in recovery from addictions. Morning Star approaches this by running a Recovery Café where a meal, companionship, activities such as gardening and art, and advice are available. Structure, routine, a safe place and a new community are key elements in bringing about a greater sense of self-worth. The grant from SCORE will cover the costs of 3 month's activities at the Recovery Café.

Till Valley Day Centre

A grant of £250 was awarded

Members of the Day Centre are vulnerable, elderly and disabled people who join together once a week to enjoy a day of activities, and a freshly prepared meal. Volunteers organise outings, from time to time, which include a meal.

The grant from SCORE will contribute to the budget to support these outings.

EdUKaid

A grant of £3,000 was awarded

Southern Tanzania is one of the country's poorest regions. In remote rural communities very young children lack the pre-school experience required before attending school. To give them a better start a new project aims to start 3 satellite classes. These will cater

for 120 children aged 4-6, enabling them to start their education in a safe, stimulating environment which is close to home. The grant will go towards training and mentoring teachers, and the provision of Montessori learning materials and classroom resources.

Other news:

‘People Helping People’ is a new parish initiative which is part funded by SCORE, but also by donations via the card machine or the box on the wall in all our churches. Requests for assistance owing to financial hardship can be made via clergy or direct to Caroline Williams. All will be strictly confidential.

‘Thank you’

The SCORE committee receives reports and letters of thanks from those receiving grants, and feedback on particular projects.

Thank you for your continuing generosity to SCORE funds. The grants make a positive difference to people’s lives - both here and around the world.