

Merseyside's

Vital Signs

REPORT 2018



COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
For Merseyside

BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

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Welcome to the Community Foundation for Merseyside's 2018 edition of Vital Signs.

We are thrilled to announce that we have distributed over £1.2 million in grants - a 53% increase compared to last year through more than 370 grants to charities, which in turn have supported over 120,000 people, in the last 12 months.

Although this has been the highest amount of monies that we have distributed in recent years, we remain aware that in Merseyside we were unable to fund over 44% of all the applications we received.

Each application that we cannot support is potentially a missed opportunity to address a hidden need in the local community and improve the lives of the people of Merseyside.

With so many important causes in need of our support, our work is not done yet. That's why we have an ambition to work with more individuals and organisations who care about the needs of others.

With your help we can build stronger communities together.

Rae Brooke
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

What is Vital Signs?

Measuring social temperature to create lasting change

Now in its 6th year Vital Signs is an annual community check-up that investigates the vitality of our region, unravels areas of need, highlights our strengths and weaknesses, and shines a spotlight on the dedicated community groups working to make Merseyside a better place to live, work and thrive.

The Community Foundation produces the report to connect charitable giving with community need and the local solutions effectively tackling these issues – creating a unique guide that can be used to inform strategic giving. The guide uses a combination of national and local data, social intelligence, results of our research and voices of the local residents to create a multi-perspective needs analysis.

Vital Signs measures residents quality of life using 11 themes - Arts, Culture & Heritage, Education & Learning, Employment, Environment, Fairness, Health & Wellbeing, Housing & Homelessness, Local Economy, Rural Communities, Safety and Strong Communities.

In our recent community consultation, the top priorities of the community were **Strong Communities, Education** and **Health & Wellbeing**. As part of our continual advancement, we'll further develop our understanding of the most pressing issues in these categories to ensure we can, with your help, make the biggest impact possible.

What's New?

In this year's Vital Signs, we've taken a closer look at the make-up of Merseyside's population by breaking down the county into what it would look like if there were only 100 people. We've added a table of what we as a locality can improve and, importantly, what we have to celebrate.

We finish this year's Vital Signs with an Impact Report that investigates our individual grant and area data to build a picture of our overall financial impact.

This includes details of the grants distributed by Vital Signs theme, how our funding is distributed by beneficiary and grants broken down by size.

11 Vital Sign Themes

Arts, Culture & Heritage

Arts, culture and heritage make a community a vibrant place to live. An active mix of cultural offerings increases people's sense of satisfaction with their environment and community pride.



Environment

From the air we breathe to the ground we walk on, a healthy and sustainable environment is an important part of quality of life. A healthy environment is reflective of a healthy community.



Education & Learning

Lifelong learning and educational achievement affect our ability to participate in a competitive workforce, achieve higher incomes and escape the cycle of poverty.



Fairness

For a community to prosper, each individual needs to be treated equally. Far greater progress can be made when everyone can contribute their voice and skills; making our community a better place to live.



Employment

Work is vitally important to a good quality of life, it provides a source of income for individuals and families to sustain themselves and adds to an area's output and productivity.



Housing & Homelessness

Shelter is a basic human need that has to be afforded to all. As a strong community it is our duty to look after the most vulnerable in our society.



Healthy Living

Good physical and mental health and wellness improves the quality of individuals' lives and reduces health care costs. The health status of people depends on good health practices and behaviour, and access to health care services.



Local Economy

Strong and vibrant communities have diverse local economies and a wide variety of options for fulfilling, secure, and well-paid work.



Rural Communities

Individuals that live in rural areas are at an increased likelihood of feeling lonely which can lead to poorer health. Let's make sure everyone feels connected in our community.



Strong Communities

Participation in civic life contributes to the wellbeing of our community and to our sense of connection to one another. By engaging we foster leadership that helps build and maintain a vibrant community.



Safety

Public and personal safety affects the way we socialise and participate in our community.



COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

Merseyside has a total population of

1,538,500



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District Councils

3 of which are in the top 10% most deprived in the UK*

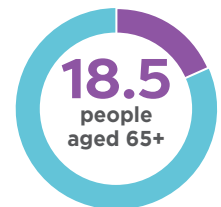
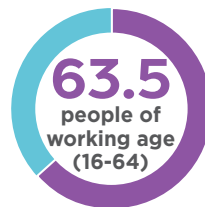
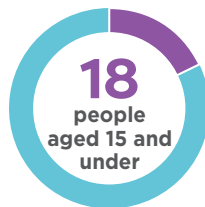
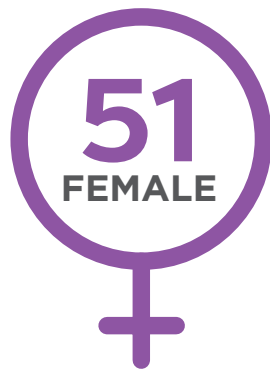
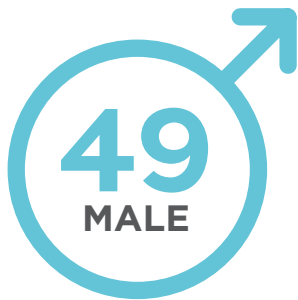
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Combined authority

Liverpool City Region (LCR) is ranked as the most deprived of England's 39 LEP areas*

*Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEP) - are voluntary partnerships between local authorities and businesses set up in 2011 by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills to help determine local economic priorities and lead economic growth and job creation within the local area.

If Merseyside was a village of 100 people, there would be...



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people would live in the top 20% most deprived areas in the country

3 people of working age would claim unemployment benefit	2 people would have committed violent crimes
13.5 would rate their happiness 4/10 or worse	1 person would have had an alcohol-related hospital stay

8
people would be BME

23
children in poverty

22.5
pensioners in poverty

Strong Communities



A strong community is one in which residents play active roles in each-other's lives and members of the community are able to rely on one another. Strong communities are open, cohesive, less vulnerable and representative of all the local people that live there.

Merseyside is well-known for its friendly and welcoming attitude; research and statistics support this as the majority of residents feel a strong sense of community and are satisfied with life. Electoral engagement is also at an all-time high emphasising the residents of Merseyside's commitment to making the area a better place to live for all. However, Merseyside still suffers from high rates of ASB, gangs and prejudice towards members of certain communities.

Vital Statistics

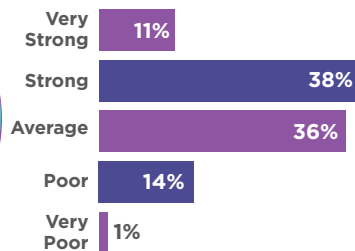


Belonging

On average residents rated 'how worthwhile they feel' in their community as high, **7.7 out of 10**.

And rate their life satisfaction as **7.5 out of 10**.

In our most recent community consultation, we asked how strong the sense of community was in Merseyside?



The vast majority of respondents felt that the sense of community in Merseyside was strong – over 1 in 10 respondents felt their sense of community was very strong.

Community Safety

Research has found that 'a sense of community spirit' can be the deciding factor in residents feeling safe.

There is significant gang culture in Merseyside with an estimated

190 gangs

and a total of

2,883 members

More than **77%** of Merseyside residents voted for a tax hike to protect police officer numbers.



Voter Turnout

70%

of eligible voters voted in the 2017 general election – compared to 68.7% nationally.

Community Cohesion

22%

increase in reported homophobic hate crime last year.

7%

increase in overall hate crime last year. Statistics have highlighted an increase in racist incidents. Crimes included a racially-aggravated stabbing and the daubing of swastikas on walls and doors in a graffiti spree.

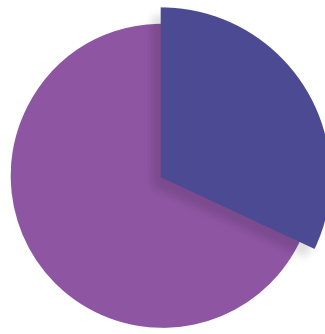
Vital Funding

£405,733

was awarded to community groups and projects that strengthened communities. This was a 37% increase on the previous year and is our most funded theme.

37,000+

beneficiaries supported through 150 separate grants.



32%
of our total grants went to strong communities' projects.

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My biggest aspiration for my community is for people not to think twice about sharing what they have with each other, for us to nurture empathy for one another and invest time in creating opportunities for us to learn others' way of living.

MERSEYSIDE RESIDENT

Vital Action

Liverpool Pride

Set up in response to the tragic death of Michael Causer, a young Liverpool man who died after a homophobic attack. Liverpool Pride is an annual festival spread across Liverpool City Centre. The festival uses activities like dance and debates as vehicles to celebrate diversity, enable equality, promote awareness and deflect homophobia in all its forms.

Liverpool Pride was awarded a total of £14,000 in 2017/18 including £2000 to contribute towards the 'We are Family' element in July 2017. 'We are Family' provided a community performance stage, charity stalls, children's attractions such as face painting and rides, storytelling, arts and crafts, street animation and much more - keeping the whole family entertained.

87% of those completing Liverpool Pride's 'Have Your Say' questionnaire said they want the zone to be a permanent part of the festival.

Significant progress has been made nationwide using the Pride model and the majority of major cities currently have one. With continued action we can end discrimination for good.



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The children's area ensured that families' both LGBT and Non-LGBT, can join in the festivities and young people can engage in interesting and fun activities. This was important for breaking down barriers, sharing information and helping to normalise the LGBT communities for future generations, with the long-term aim to reduce hate-crime.

LIVERPOOL PRIDE ATTENDEE

Education & Learning

Education is related to better health and longer and better living standards – for current and future generations. With the fast pace of change, technology and globalisation, life-long education has never been more important. For this reason, improving educational attainment is a central component in many local authorities' strategic plans to boost productivity and improve quality of life.

Despite this, in Merseyside, children struggle to achieve in mainstream education. Once mainstream education has finished, in low income areas due to affordability, it is difficult for adults to access further learning and gain new skills.

Vital Statistics

Early Learning

PUPILS ACHIEVING

Expected level in 17 early learning goals
54.7% Merseyside
55% North West
58% England

'Good level of development' at early years foundation stage
57.5% Merseyside
58% North West
60% England



Higher Education

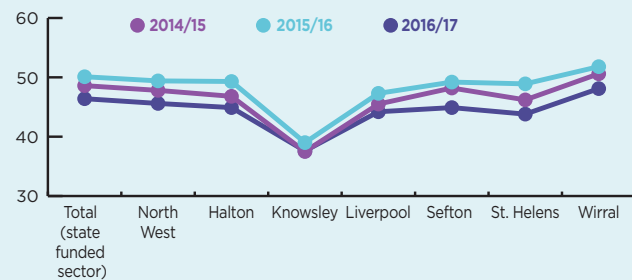
Higher Education can leave students with debts of over £50,000



All boroughs of Merseyside rank in the top 10% for Income Deprivation, creating a barrier to education.

Educational Achievement and Skills

Average Attainment 8 score per pupil



The performance of pupils at year 11 is below the national average in 5 of the 6 local authority areas.

On average across all boroughs in 2016/17 pupils average 'Attainment 8' score was 43.9 (UK national average 46.4).

27.3% of the population have no qualifications and **22.1%** are educated to degree level, compared to 22.5% and 27.5% in England respectively.

Effect on Employability and Economy

Low educational attainment is linked to low income, reduced employability and lower health outcomes.



4.2% of 18 - 24 year olds receive Job Seekers Allowance or Universal Credit, 1.3% more than the rest of the country.

On average households earn **£116** less weekly income compared to the rest of the UK.

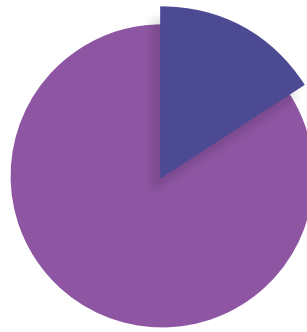
Vital Funding

£206,040

was awarded to community groups and projects that educate residents. This was a 62% increase on the previous year and our third most funded theme.

12,000+

beneficiaries supported through 72 separate grants.



16%

of our total grants went to educational projects.

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Young people that have struggled with formal education are often written off, leading directly to a cycle of crime, drugs misuse, and hopelessness. I believe passionately that the greatest need in Merseyside is to support marginalised young people.

MERSEYSIDE RESIDENT

Vital Action

The John Goore Trust

The John Goore Trust was set up in 1669 by John Goore, a wealthy landowner from Lydiate. The trust was set up initially to give financial aid to the area's poorest people. Since then, responsibility for managing the trust and its funds has been handed down through generations of the Goore family. In 2017, the trustees felt it would be beneficial if the Community Foundation were to take over the management and distribution of the trusts assets.

To ensure that the legacy of the Goore family will go on and that the residents of Lydiate will always be supported, we moved the trust's assets into endowment.

The trust's focus is now on education and training for those entering the work force or after a period of unemployment, carers and people with disabilities.

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This funding and the Lean Six Sigma Course has quite literally got my life back on track, it has made an unbelievable difference to me on every level there is - self-esteem, financially, family wise. I had never been in a worse place than I was and hope never to return there ever again. Without the help of Community Foundation, I wouldn't have been able to get the snowball effect going in my life that I so desperately needed. It is so difficult to overcome inertia and nothing is more frustrating than knowing you'd be an excellent employee but lacking the chance to prove it.

I now work for a fairly large company with a turnover of over £300m, I have just finished my probation with them 3 months early - having secured a job with them the week after I completed my course. They are investing significantly in me further and I couldn't be happier. I will never forget the horrible experience of the few months' unemployment that nearly ruined me but I hope to use it as a positive driving force going forward in my life.

JOHN GOORE FUND RECIPIENT



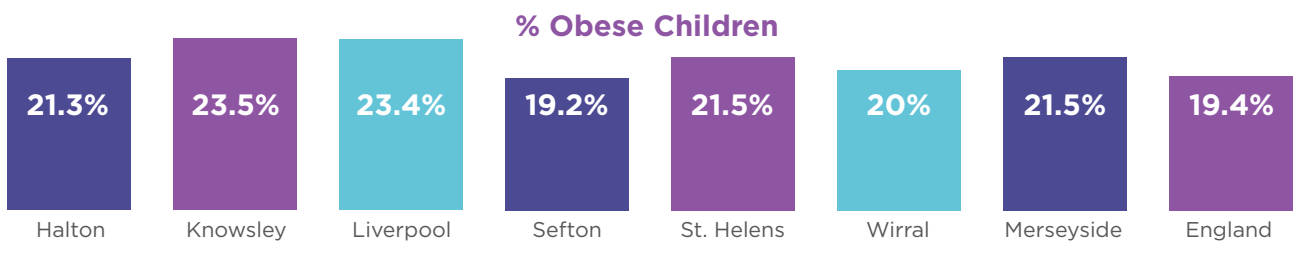
Health & Wellbeing

Education, income, employment, food security, access to housing and social networks: these are the foundation of good physical and mental health. Therefore, these social and economic determinants have a considerable effect on a person's health. As a result, there are significant differences in mortality and morbidity rates between persons that live in disadvantaged areas and those that don't, nationally and globally.

In Merseyside, which is home to some of the UK's most deprived areas the effect of inequality on health is clear.

Vital Statistics

Children - Excessive Weight



Adults

Activity

Being physically active can lower the risk of early death by

30%

Only **19.1% of adults** in Merseyside participate in the recommended amount of exercise, the lowest participation rates are found in Knowsley 16.5%.

Healthy Eating

51.8%

of adults consume the recommended '5-a-day' - the 2nd lowest out of the UK's 8 core cities.

Drug Use and Alcohol

Around 40 people die from drug misuse each year in the city - two time more than usual.



Hospital admissions for alcohol-specific conditions in the city are almost three times the national average, which directly contributes to Liverpool's premature mortality rate for liver disease - more than twice the national rate.

Case Study

Love Jasmine

We had the privilege of contributing towards the costs of 'Love, Jasmine's' sponsored run.

The kids-only running event attracted 600 children and families. Organised in the same fashion as an adults marathon the run aimed to spark an interest in organised sports and encourage participants to keep active. The funding received from the 23 foundation meant entry cost remained affordable for families in the area - £3 per person.

Love, Jasmine is a Liverpool based charity set up in 2016 by Jasmine's family in memory of their daughter who died suddenly as a result of choking on a grape. The charity provides emotional and practical support to families that have lost a child, including support groups to parents and children, family group work and training for organisations providing child bereavement services.

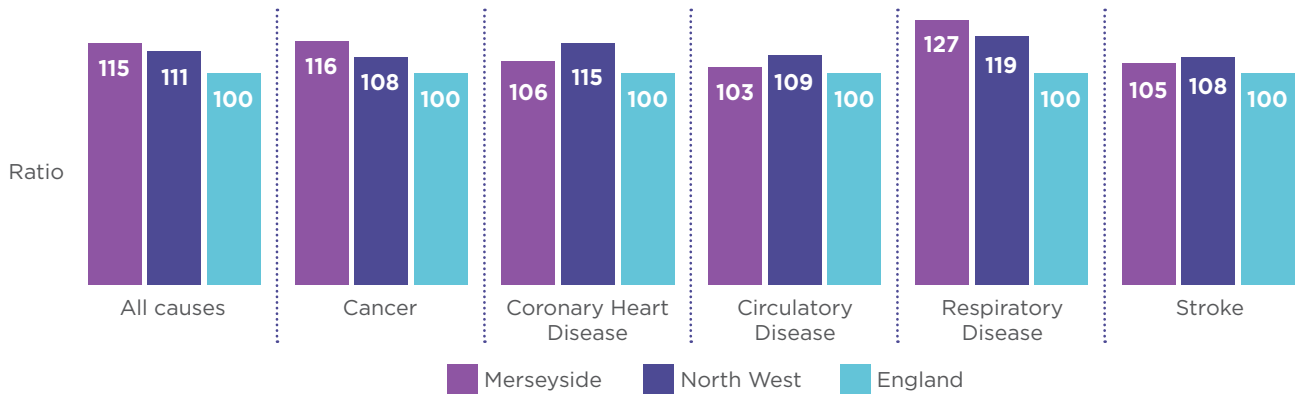
All of the funds raised on the day were directed towards the charities core aim - caring for families that have suffered a devastating loss.



Illness

Standardised mortality ratio (select causes)

If an area is above 100, there is a higher proportion of deaths than had been expected. If it is below 100, there is a lower proportion of deaths than expected.



Liverpool has been identified by Public Health England as one of the three most cancer-stricken cities in England.

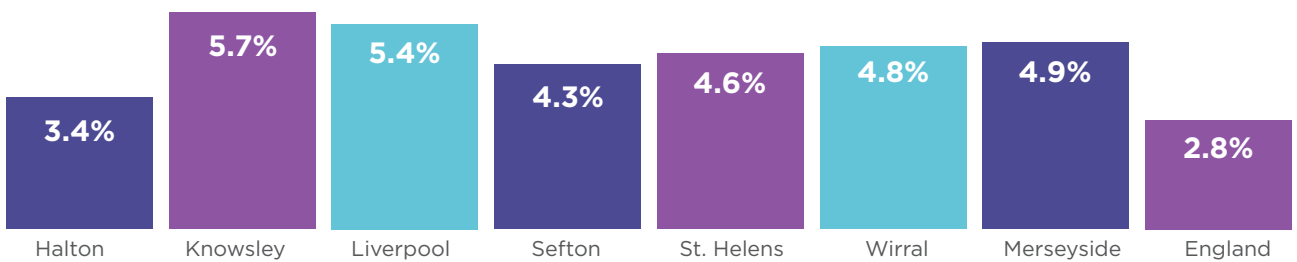
Nearly 9 out of 10 (87.5%) people in Merseyside are unaware of the early warning signs of skin cancer.

People in one area of Liverpool are living on average 11 years less than people living just five miles away.

Average Life Expectancy
Childwall 85.3 years
Kirkdale 74.3 years

Mental Health

% People with mental health issues (receiving Incapacity Benefit/Employment Support Allowance)



Less than 25-35% of children with a diagnosable mental health condition access support.

Spending on children's mental health services has been reduced by £786,000 - more than 10 per cent.

At the beginning of 2018, there were over 700 children and young people waiting over 34 weeks to be seen by a Young Persons Advisory Service in Merseyside.

Vital Funding

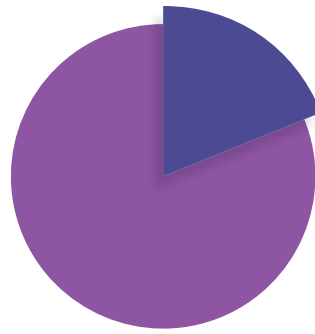


£365,539

was awarded to community groups and projects that improve the health and wellbeing of residents. This was a 68% increase on last year and our second most funded theme.

15,000+

beneficiaries supported through 89 separate grants.



29%

of our total grants went to health and wellbeing projects.



We need to get people under 30 more active and off their smart phones by using a sport or variety of activities to encourage more involvement and participation. Emphasizing fun activities can also help cut down future health problems.

LOCAL RESIDENT

Vital Action



ADDvanced Solutions Community Network CIC

Evidence shows that, left unsupported and unmanaged, children and young people living with Neurodevelopmental conditions are much more likely to experience difficulties with education, employment or training, developing appropriate relationships and making effective choices, leading to the development of mental health.

ADDvanced Solutions was established in October 2012 to provide open access, community based, learning, coaching and mentoring, support and health and wellbeing activities to families living with Neurodevelopmental conditions, special educational needs and disabilities.

The founders were inspired to create a non-stigmatising environment where parents could share their lived experience and learn from one another, gaining tools, strategies and confidence and building resilience.

Originally beginning as a small group in Belle Valle, ADDvanced Solutions Community Network now has three community groups in Liverpool, in addition to one in Knowsley and one in St Helens and has extended their range of services substantially, delivering solution-focused drop-ins, family learning programmes, youth groups and more.

After a successful pilot in 2016, the community interest company (CIC) received £58,358 from the Liverpool ONE Foundation to develop their Walton Community Network group meeting the needs of families in Walton and the north of Liverpool; as well as developing a similar service in Sefton, identifying and training parent volunteers to run the groups so they eventually become self-sustainable.



I am surprised he joined in, he usually won't, he seemed very comfortable today, proud. Never seen him so calm and settled. Thank you.



My child with autism, ADHD and trauma was comfortable to play with other children in a safe place. She had lots of fun and so did I.

**ADVANCED SOLUTIONS WALTON
COMMUNITY NETWORK
FAMILY DAY ATTENDEES**

Let's Improve

Children from Merseyside's low-income backgrounds are less likely to engage in every category of arts and culture than their peers. This means many young people are missing out on the rich arts and culture in Merseyside.

Compared to England, LCR has a 6% skills gap. However this is closing at an accelerated rate.

Merseyside is an area that has been blighted with high unemployment levels for the past three decades - Merseyside's unemployment rate is still currently considerably higher than the national average at 10%.

There were 28,907 separate incidents of illegal fly-tipping across the region in 2016 - that's an illegal rubbish dump every 18 minutes.

In Britain, the wealth gap between the richest and the poorest continues to grow. In Kirkby, Merseyside, two neighbouring streets have a staggering 227% income difference.

7.2% more people cannot work due to disability in Merseyside compared to England.

Levels of homelessness - including rough sleeping - are increasing. According to official rough sleeper counts, there has been a 140% increase in rough sleeping in LCR from 2015 to 2016.

Households in Merseyside have a 15% lower average weekly income than the rest of the country.

Only 0.6% of the population live in rural locations and 13.1% of the population are constrained city dwellers, far above national average 6.2%.

Violent crime and ASB are the most prevalent forms of crime with 5,723 recorded offences in February 2018 and 79.2 offences per 1,000 persons from March 2017 to February 2018, far exceeding nationally averages.

In Liverpool and Knowsley over a quarter of pensioners live in poverty, all the other districts have higher rates than average.

VitalSigns Theme



Arts, Culture & Heritage



Education & Learning



Employment



Environment



Fairness



Health & Wellbeing



Housing & Homelessness



Local Economy



Rural Communities



Safety



Strong Communities

Let's celebrate

The Beatles are worth almost £82m to Merseyside's economy, create more than 2,300 jobs and the Beatles economy grows by between 5-15% each year.

Liverpool also has more museums and galleries than any other UK city outside of the capital.

There are 50% more people aged 16 -64 are qualified to level 4 or above than a decade ago.

Rising productivity has supported an increase in full time jobs, with four key sectors contributing the majority of growth: distribution, transport and food sector; manufacturing; business services; and information and communications sector.

Merseyside has a high proportion of park space compared to other UK cities. 2147.31 hectares or 2.97% of Merseyside is public parks and gardens compared to 0.79% nationally.

Since 2016, Liverpool has been working towards becoming the country's first autism-friendly city. With venues, such as FACT and Liverpool Airport, pulling out all the stops to create the best environment and experiences for everyone.

For adults, obesity figures in Merseyside are below the national average, however, 23.9% of the population are considered obese.

There are 1,511 hostel bed spaces in Liverpool City Region, of which 364 are designated provision for younger people and 70% have 24-hour support. In 2016/17 almost 2,000 people were being prevented from becoming homeless.

Merseyside has recently enjoyed an economic growth rate of 3.1%, faster than any similar major city region in the country.

People who live in Merseyside have better access to services. Research found in urban areas of UK, 95% of people live within 13 minutes of a regular (hourly) bus, but in rural areas this falls to 61%.

Last year, non-domestic burglaries also fell by 8.4% and vehicle crime is down by 1.7%, compared to a national increase of 11.2 per cent in vehicle-related theft.

Wirral South and West had one of the highest voter turnouts in the UK with 79% of eligible voters casting a vote.

Our Impact 2017/18

Funding and distribution

£1,273,158
total grants
distributed

122,000+
beneficiaries
supported through
377 separate grants

£3,377
average grant size

1,645
people dedicated
time and gained
experience from
volunteering

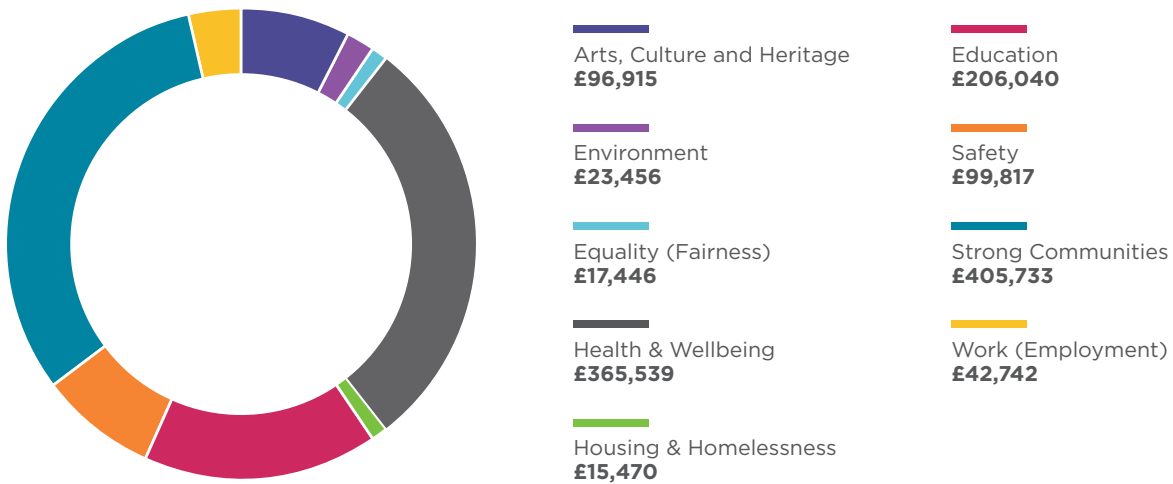
Grants distributed by district



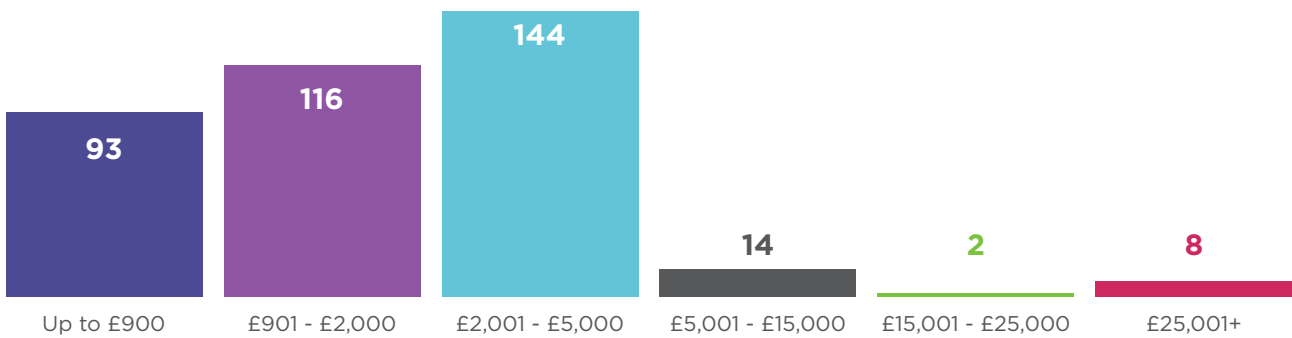
Community
Groups received
£1,247,065

Individuals
received
£26,093

Grants distributed by VitalSigns Theme



Grants distributed by size



Grants distributed by beneficiary



Events 2017/18

Each year we host and get involved with a number of events. Doing so gives us the opportunity to meet the individuals driving real community change, thank our donors for their support, and bring together like minded people to progress towards the common goal; improving the lives of the most disadvantaged people in Merseyside.



(CSI Event with Sir Terry Leahy)

Donor Drinks Reception

Last year we were delighted to welcome over 60 guests to our Donor Drinks Reception in Palm Sugar to celebrate our achievements together. The reception is one of the ways in which we like to say thank you to all our donors and supporters for their continued involvement with the Community Foundation for Merseyside.

Professional Liverpool Breakfast Event

During a visit to Merseyside, organised by the Community Foundation for Merseyside, the Governor of the Bank of England, Mark Carney, stressed “the importance of business being rooted in their local communities”. In light of this, the Community Foundation welcomed over 50 business leaders to a breakfast discussion titled “Will the social impact of your business deliver in 10, 50, 100, 200 years’ time?” Colin Wardale, FD Hill Dickinson, along with the Community Foundation for Merseyside explained how their businesses can develop strategic social value and establish a lasting legacy.

Women’s Event – 60 Hope Street

In June, we held a lunch and roundtable discussion to explore opportunities to establish a Women’s Fund for Merseyside. Held in 60 Hope street and supported by CCLA, this private event of 25 influential women from across Merseyside gave us the opportunity to highlight what we can do together, to improve the lives of women across our county. To support our work and discussion, we were delighted to welcome entrepreneur and philanthropist, Shalni Arora. The event was a great success with a number of new partnerships established. Exactly one year after the event, we are delighted to be announcing the launch of the Merseyside Women’s Fund for 2018.



Project Visits

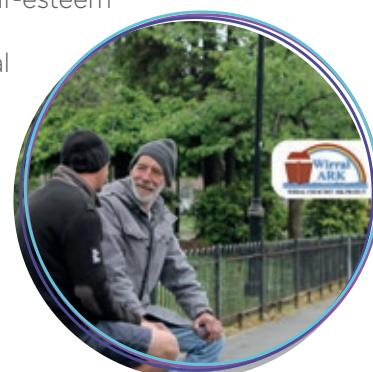


Every member of our team will visit projects throughout the year. Visiting projects gives us the chance to show our appreciation, gain insight, and meet face-to-face with the vulnerable people our funded community groups serve. Whether it be spending the day with a knitting circle or hearing the heart-breaking stories of homelessness – project visits provide immeasurable value to the team and offer insight into our community for our donors.

Wirral Ark - Project visit

On one of her visits this year, our longest standing staff member and all round Community Foundation hero, Joan Ford, spent some time with the team behind Wirral Ark. Wirral Ark is a grassroots homeless accommodation provider and the brainchild of Wirral Churches Ark Project. The facility has 27 rooms and houses people with multiple complex needs, mental health and addiction issues, and poor health.

In 2017, the charity received a £1,000 grant from the Community Foundation for Merseyside to create a wellbeing garden, which forms part of the holistic treatment the homeless people receive. Homelessness is a brutal and chaotic experience, providing a tranquil space reduces stress, promotes peace and improves self-esteem thereby increasing the chances of an individual re-joining society healthy and happy.



We work as part of a national network of 46 UK Community Foundations providing expert charitable advice, sound management and due diligence support services to make charitable giving easy, tax-efficient, robust and focused, allowing our clients to focus their attention on what matters.

How it works

Giving Options

A Private and Bespoke Service

Working with us is an ideal way for you or your business to get directly involved in charitable giving without the time consuming administrative or legal responsibilities and understanding of charity law.

We provide the opportunity to set up a stand alone charitable fund or foundation for your personal, family or corporate charitable aims, named by you for your aims and involving your family or colleagues.

A dedicated relationship manager will work with you on developing plans, identifying cause areas and levels of involvement and enabling you to direct your giving whilst they provide guidance.

As an Organisation

We've helped companies and public sector bodies such as **Hill Dickinson, Liverpool ONE, Tilney Group, Medicash, Santander, Shop Direct, the Home Office** and **Peel Ports** and more set up funds and foundations to connect them to the causes that they care about. We work closely with our partners so that we can integrate our services with their charitable goals and provide reports on social impact.

As an Individual

We realise that at the core of everybody's charitable giving is a unique motive and for that reason our service is adaptable, tailored and bespoke. We have worked with a number of notable individuals such as **Jamie Carragher, Sir Michael Bibby** and **Sir Terry Leahy** to help achieve their charitable aims.

Endowment

We view charitable giving as a long-term strategic investment. For those who wish to achieve this objective, your capital is invested and the income earned is awarded in charitable donations, achieving long-lasting impact for the community with a continuous annual income for distributing grants. We hold in excess of £15 million in endowment, and have ambitious targets to grow the fund for the benefit of our communities.

Flow-through

A second option available is flow-through funds which are distributed as grants within a defined period of time, often by making an annual donation which is distributed within that year to make an immediate impact.

Establish a Legacy

We can help you create a unique and lasting legacy for your community which reflects your personal wishes, supports the causes and issues, or the area you care about and benefits future generations in the years to come.

Our expert team are able to design a bespoke strategy that addresses both practical and emotional considerations ensuring a more personalised experience.

Trust Transfers

We can revitalise ineffective funds through trust transfers and set up effective named funds managed by us. If your trust fund has become ineffective or if you are looking to transfer your active trust fund, we can offer a bespoke charitable giving service. The work of the Community Foundation in revitalising dormant or ineffective trusts is acknowledged by the Charity Commission.

Who we work with

We have been fortunate to work with a wide range of organisations and individuals across Merseyside. In order to manage their charitable giving, we build close, long-term relationships founded on trust.

We are proud of the people we work with and of the fact that most of our relationships come through referrals.

Our supporters 2017/18

The work we do would not be possible without the support of all those listed below:

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- B&M Communities Together Fund
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- Building a Stronger Britain Together Fund
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Join us and make a difference in your community

Whether you're considering setting up a fund, supporting one of our existing funds, interested in further developing your knowledge of local need or simply want to explore how you can make a difference locally - please contact us:



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About the Community Foundation for Merseyside

Our vision: To Build Stronger Communities Together

Helping you support your community, the Community Foundation offers a wealth of experience, knowledge, expertise and bespoke advice to ensure that your giving has the greatest impact where it is most needed. We are one of 46 Community Foundations in the UK and over 1,800 worldwide.

Community Foundations worldwide collaborate with philanthropists, families, businesses, charitable trusts and the public sector to fund community-based solutions, creating social change and improving quality of life.

Following significant sustainability work in order to thrive in the new majority private funding era as opposed to the pre-2008 public funding environment, the Community Foundation's endowment currently stands at over £15 million and we administer over 70 funds on behalf of a range of donors.

Since 1999, we have distributed in excess of £40 million to charities and community groups that provide critical and specialist support to some of Merseyside's most vulnerable people.

Methodology

All data provided in this report has been sourced via the data analytics software OCSI Local Insight or through freely available local and national government sources.

Any quotes or opinions from individuals have been obtained via an open community consultation conducted by the Community Foundation. The identity of any individual(s) quoted within this report has been obscured to protect their privacy.

For the purposes of this report, any references to the 'Liverpool City Region' or 'Merseyside' include the six boroughs of Halton, Knowsley, Liverpool, Sefton, St Helens, and Wirral.

All information is considered accurate as of June 2018. The information included here should be considered a snapshot and only analyses a limited amount of the available data. If you have any queries or believe any information provided in this report to be incorrect, please contact vitalsigns@cflm.email and we will do our best to undertake corrections.

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