





# Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) 2025 Grant Programme

# **Application Form**

Email completed application form with supporting documents to: VSST\_play@sandwell.gov.uk

Closing date: Friday 23rd May 2025 by 5:00pm

BEFORE completing the application form, please read the Application Guidance.

This form is in PDF format and should be completed and submitted electronically. Printed or scanned copies will not be accepted.

To fill out this form, select the Fill & Sign option from the Tools menu and choose the box where you need to type. To select or tick a box, use the Fill & Sign option from the Tools menu, double-click, select more options, then choose the tick option. Please make sure to place the tick in the correct box and adjust its size if necessary.









## **SECTION 1: YOUR ORGANISATION**

Unique	reference nun	nber (office use only)	HAF/25/
1.1	Details of you	r Organisation	
Organisa	ation Name		
Address			
Post cod	е		
Contact	Number		
Website			
1.2	Contact for th	is Application	
Name			
Position			
Contact	Number		
Email			
1.3	HAF Program	me Delivery Lead (if differe	nt)
Name			
Position			
Contact	Number		
Email			
1.4	Organisation	Designated Safeguarding	Lead
Name			
Position			
Contact	Number		
Email			
DSL Trai	ining Level		
1.5	HAF Delivery	Partner (if applicable)	
Organisa	ation Name		
Address			
Post cod	е		
Website			
Partner I (Contact	Delivery Lead Name)		
Email			
Contact	Number		







1.6	Tell us what type of organisation	you are	your legal	status) please select		
		Lead	Partner		Lead	Partner
Voluntary	and Community (not for profit/CIC)			Private/Independent		
School/O						
Select if you and your partner organisation have the required documents and policies. By selecting, you confirm they meet the HAF Guidance requirements. Documents and Policies will be reviewed before delivery.						
Constituti	ion, Terms of Reference, set of rules	or other	Governing	Documents		
Latest An	nnual Accounts or Statement of Incor	ne and Ex	kpenditure			
Public Lia	ability Insurance					
Child Pro	tection & Safeguarding Policy					
Health &	Safety Policy/Procedures (Food Safe	ty, Lockdo	wn and Intru	ider Procedures)		
Risk Asse	essments					
Online Sa	afety/Digital Media/GDPR/Data Prote	ction Poli	су			
Data Sha	ring Consent Form					
Equality 8	& Diversity Policy					
	one staff member with a Level 2 Food hould be updated every two years, unless the e					
At least one staff member with a First Aid and Health & Safety qualification  (Training should be updated every two years, unless the expiry date indicates otherwise) must always be on-site						
Minimum Safeguarding Level 1 Training for all delivery staff and volunteers  (obtained within the last two years)						
Minimum Safeguarding Level 3 Training for the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)  (obtained within the last two years)						
•	d DBS checks for all delivery staff ar	d volunte	ers			
	gistration Certificate applies if you are a food business and w	ill be self-o	catering)			
•	Delivery Agreement (if applicable)		<u> </u>			
OFSTED	Registration					
1.8	If the lead organisation is not reg	jistered w	vith OFSTE	ED, please specify whic	h exemption	on
	upp.iioo				YES	NO
1.9	Are you currently delivering active	ities for	children a	nd young people?		
1.10	Do you charge parents and carer	s for this	provision	?		
1.11	Has your organisation previously Sandwell Council, Sandwell Child If yes, please provide details (Includ	dren's Tr				
	Name of Funding / Programme List up to the last three years		Council	Contact Officer's Name	Successful (Yes/No)	Amount Awarded (£)







# **SECTION 2: TRACK RECORD** (200-word limit per question)

Information provided here will be displayed on the HAF website

Provide details of your delivery track record including recent experience you have working

2.1	with children and young people. This is an opportunity to promote your organisation and tell us what makes you unique.
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2.2	If you are delivering with a partner, please provide details of the delivery relationship
	SECTION 3: YOUR ACTIVITIES / PROJECT PROPOSAL – SUMMER 25 Information provided here will be displayed on the HAF website
3.1	Summer HAF Programme Title
	Create a catchy, brief, and engaging title that helps parents find you and describes your services.
3.2	Tell us what activities are on offer (Holiday clubs must provide activities that meet the <a href="https://physical.org/physical.org/">physical activity guidelines daily)</a> . (minimum 250-word limit)
	activity galactimes daily). (Immitted 200 meta 11110)
	What are the benefits of your provision?
3.3	This is an opportunity to explain the difference attending your provision can make. (minimum 250-word limit)







**Activity Plan** 

Please remember that HAF delivery is based on delivering a minimum of 64 hours over the summer holiday period. Information provided here will be displayed on the HAF website

Example: Include full address of venue including post code (select the box if the venue has been confirmed, we need to ensure that you have an agreement in place to deliver at this venue prior to funding being released), also add contact details for the delivery lead at the venue for monitoring purposes.

	Monday 21 July Tuesday 22 July Wednesday 23				sday 24 July				
Activity			rts & Craft	Football/Tennis		Clay Modelling		Trip t	o Dudley Zoo
Venue			v, High St, West om, B70 8DZ	Library, High St, Wes Brom, B70 8DZ	st	Library, High Brom, B70		D	udley Zoo
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Times			0am-2pm	10am-2pm		10am-2pm			0am-2pm
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				Week 1					
	Monday 2 July	21	Tuesday 22 July	Wednesday 23 July	Th	ursday 24 July	Friday July		Saturday 26 July
Activity									
Venue (Select the box if the venue has been confirmed)									
Times			Ц			Ш			
Contact Details									
NO of places									
				Week 2					
	Monday 2 July	28	Tuesday 29 July	Wednesday 30 July	Th	ursday 31 July	Friday Augus		Saturday 2 August
Activity									
Venue (Select the box if the venue has been									
confirmed)									
Times									
Contact Details									
NO of places									







			Week 3			
	Monday 4 August	Tuesday 5 August	Wednesday 6 August	Thursday 7 August	Friday 8 August	Saturday 9 August
Activity						
Venue (Select the box if the venue has been confirmed)						
Times						
Contact Details						
N0 of places						
			Week 4			
	Monday 11 August	Tuesday 12 August	Wednesday 13 August	Thursday 14 August	Friday 15 August	Saturday 16 August
Activity						
Venue (Select the box if the venue has been						
confirmed)						
Times						
Contact Details						
NO of places						
			Week 5			
	Monday 18 August	Tuesday 19 August	Wednesday 20 August	Thursday 21 August	Friday 22 August	Saturday 23 August
Activity						
Venue (Select the box if the venue has been confirmed)						
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Times						
Contact Details						
N0 of places						
			Week 6		•	
	Monday 25 August	Tuesday 26 August	Wednesday 27 August	Thursday 28 August	Friday 29 August	Saturday 30 August
Activity						
Venue (Select the box if the venue has been		_	_		_	_
Times						
Contact Details						
N0 of places						
3.5			y people can safely nues, ensure this is			nt
	Venue	Venue	Venue	Venue	Venue	Venue
		Capacity		Capacity		Capacity
3.6	is a safe and	happy place f	nent robust safegua or children (this coul ssessments, etc.) (20	d include child p		













# **SECTION 4: FOOD OFFER**

4.1	Will you be outsourcing your food offer to a local caterer? Yes □ No □										
4.2	If you'v	e answe	red yes,	please prov	ride det	tails be	low				
Company	/ Name										
Address											
Post Code											
Contact Number							Website				
4.3	Do you	or the ca	atering <sub> </sub>	provider hav	e a foo	d hygie	ene rating o	of at least	4 out of	5?	
	YES						NO				
4.4	What w	vill your f	ood offe	er include? (	Select	all that	apply):				
Break	rfast		]	Lunch				Te	ea		
4.5	Snacks	provide	d	YES				N	0		
4.6 How will you ensure your food offer meets the required HAF standards? Please note that your selection will be reviewed both prior to and during delivery (Select all that apply):											
Consider allergies and dietary requirements (see the allergy guidance for schools)			ents ( <u>see</u>		Accommodate any religious or cultural requirements						
	ovided at	the holiday	y club (in			Comply with regulations on food preparation					
Provide ve				<u>o</u> .		Limit processed foods and sugary snacks/drinks					
Offer a va	riety of fru	iit and veg	etables d	aily		Encourage children's involvement in food choices and preparation					
4.7	healthy		Please r	ion initiative note that your	-	ou imp	lement to				_
Cooking a	ctivities	•				Gardening or growing food activities [					
Interactive	games o	r activities				Super	vised meal p	reparation	and plannii	ng	
Discussion	ns or less	ons on hea	althy eatir	ng		Food to	asting sessions	ons to explo	ore new he	althy	
Printed or	digital ed	ucational r	naterials			Visits f	from nutrition	ists, Health	ny Sandwe	ll, chefs, or	
4.8	Tell us	the food	cost pe	r head per s	ession			l, per ses	sion)		
			ı	Please provi	de a fo	ur-day	sample me	nu			
	Day 1			Day 2			Day 3			Day 4	







# **SECTION 5: MARKETING AND PROMOTION**

Information provided here will be displayed on the HAF Website

	Tell us how	, voi			ogramme to reach vo				
Tell us how you will promote the HAF programme to reach your target audience and encourage booking conversion to attendance (Select all that apply and provide examples. Evidence									
of your marketing selection will be reviewed prior to and during delivery. 200-word limit)									
Website 8			School Partnerships &				,		
Media Ca			Promotion		Community Outreach		Direct Messaging		
	ss and Radio		Taster Sessions and Open Days		Word-of-Mouth & Parent Ambassadors		Phone & In-Person Support		
Support/ Promotion   Public Spaces					Inclusive Marketing				
Local Food Banks & D Parent Support Support Services Parent Support Via SENCO				Specialist Outreach via SENCOs		In-Person Enrolment Events/Sessions			
Community & Faith Youth Outreach & Reminder System &									
	Could the	olanı	ned activities he unsu	ıitah	le for certain individu	als?	If yes, please provide		
5.2	details.	лап	neu activities de unst	шаы	ne for certain murviuu	ais :	ii yes, piease provide		
5.3	Booking Instructions Please provide clear booking instructions, use this section to outline any specific requirements. For example,								
	Booking Contact Phone Number  This will be used for any inquiries parents may have regarding activity bookings.								
Email (This will I bookings)	Email (This will be used for any inquiries parents may have regarding activity								
- ,		e add	led to your page)						
Facebook	(if applicable	<b>)</b> (Th	is link will be added to you	ur pa	ge)				
Twitter (if	applicable) (	This I	ink will be added to your p	age)					
Instagran	Instagram (if applicable) (This link will be added to your page)								







5	.4	If there's a	pre-exis	sting page on		arents or children. e with testimonials, ente page.	er "N/A". Ple	ase comple	ete if you wish to
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Tes	stimor	nial 2							
Tes	timor	nial 3							
5	.5	_		_	ormation to he gree to this	elp make your page	consisten	t, and app	peal to parents.
		I agree				I disagre	e		
			SE	CTION 6:	FINANCE (To	o be completed by /	ALL provid	ders)	
6	In Rows A, B and C of Column 2, tell us the number of eligible children expected to attend your provision daily. Include the number of delivery days in Column 3 (maximum 16) and the total cost in Column 4 against each row.  Please note that the day rate, including food costs (Column 1), represents the maximum funding offer per eligible child.								
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	Ensure that the figures in Column 2 correspond with your responses in Section 3, Question 3.4  Day Rate including Enough Costs  Number of delivery days (Maximum 16)  Column 1 x Column 2 x								
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В		Children v ducation h (E			£40				
С	•	Univers naximum 2 pected nur	20% of t	he total	£30				
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				3		WINTER DELIVER' ON OF INTEREST	Y		
7	7.1 Select to receive Winter funding updates.								



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#### **SECTION 8: DATA PROTECTION**

The Data Controller for any personal information held for this purpose is Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council, Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury B69 3DB.

The Data Protection Officer can be contacted at the above address and through email at: info\_management@sandwell.gov.uk.

Any personal information on this form/section where you have given us consent to use, will ONLY be used for the purpose stated and for no other. For unsuccessful applications, personal data will only be kept for maximum of 12 months. For successful applications, in accordance with financial regulations data will be retained for a maximum of 7 years in line with our Document Retention procedures. Where you have not provided us with consent that information will not be used by the Council.

Any personal information provided under consent will only be used and shared for the purposes outlined on this form, however when a legal duty is placed upon the Council then the Council will consider the sharing of your information in accordance with that duty (e.g., police, etc.).

You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time, should you wish to do so please contact: VSST\_play@sandwell.gov.uk.

#### **SECTION 9: CONDITIONS OF FUNDING**

Please note that an organisation may forfeit its right to receive any further funding from the Council if these conditions are not complied with.

Applications will be considered from private sector/independent organisations, schools/educational settings, grassroot projects, sports clubs, not for profit voluntary and community organisations. Details of eligibility of voluntary and community organisations can be found at <a href="Shared Definition of the Voluntary and Community Sector">Shared Definition of the Voluntary and Community Sector</a>.

Programme beneficiaries must meet the following criteria:

- All children and young people must receive benefits-related free school meals (FSM), reside in Sandwell, or attend a school in Sandwell, and be between reception and Year 11.
- There may be some children who are not eligible for benefits-related FSM but have protected characteristics (e.g., children with no recourse to public funding, have an EHCP or are a looked after child in education), we are still able to allocate the 16-digit code for these children and young people.
- For HAF 2025, providers can engage Universal Children from low-income working families who do not meet the above eligibility criteria. However, these children must not account for more than 20% of your daily places. At least 80% of your beneficiaries must meet the eligibility criteria, with the remaining 20% reserved for Universal children who are considered in need of this provision.
- To be eligible for funding, organisations must provide services within Sandwell and ensure that they benefit children, young people, and families residing in Sandwell. It is important that these services are accessible to children and young people from all ethnic backgrounds.







- 4 Beneficiaries should not be charged to access the services provided.
- You must declare on your application form if you are delivering with other partner organisations, failure to do so will result in a withdrawal of your grant.
- Applications are reviewed and scored by a grants panel, and there is no appeal process. The decision of the grants panel is final.
- 7 The Council will **NOT** consider applications for funding in retrospect and no funding will be approved for anything not detailed on the application.

Before project delivery begins, all staff and volunteers must meet the following training and qualification requirements:

- All delivery staff and volunteers must have completed at least Safeguarding Level 1 Training within the last two years.
- The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) must have completed Sandwell Core Working Together Level 3 Training within the last two years.
- At least one on-site staff member must have completed the following qualifications. Training should be updated every two years, unless the expiry date indicates otherwise:
  - Level 2 Food Safety/Hygiene
  - First Aid

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Health and Safety

We will verify these qualifications by referencing Appendix 3 (Delivery Staff Details) and through subsequent monitoring visits. See link to access free online training: <a href="Sandwell Children's Safeguarding Partnership Training Courses">Sandwell Children's Safeguarding Partnership Training Courses</a>

All project staff and volunteers are required to possess enhanced DBS certificates before the commencement of project delivery. We will verify this by referencing Appendix 3 and during subsequent monitoring visits. (DBS must be carried out/renewed within the last 3 years).

Funded projects must submit a detailed breakdown of their expenditure by completing an income and expenditure form, which should be retained for a minimum of 2 years after the project concludes. As part of the monitoring process, the Council will verify and request the submission of receipts for

examination, including those related to venue hire, food, transport, and other activities that make up 30% of the total grant awarded. Invoices or receipts for review should be a minimum of £100 or more. Failure to submit by the deadline will impact future holiday period funding.

Any unspent funding must be returned to Sandwell Council, and overspent funds will not be reimbursed without prior approval.







- 11 Council funding should not be utilised as "personal spending money" for children, young people, staff, volunteers, or for any items unrelated to project activities.
- Any assets acquired with the assistance of the funding cannot be sold or otherwise disposed of, without the Council first being informed.

Organisations receiving funding from the Council are responsible for ensuring the safety of their provision. Providers must have all necessary policies and procedures in place (throughout the duration of the project) to meet the requirements outlined in the HAF Guidance, including:

- o Relevant insurance coverage
- o Adequate staff/volunteer ratios

#### **Policies & Procedures:**

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- o Child protection/safeguarding procedures
- o Health and Safety measures (Food safety, Lockdown and Intruder Procedures)
- o Risk assessments
- o Online safety protocols
- o Equality and diversity policy
- o GDPR consent forms

The provider's policies and documents will be assessed prior to the delivery of the programme. Additional Requirements:

- o Catering providers must have a FSA rating of at least 4 out of 5.
- o Providers must comply with staff and volunteer training requirements.
- o If delivering in partnership with another provider, a partner delivery agreement must be in place.
- The Council will monitor all projects receiving council funding at any time during the funding period.

  Providers must inform the Council of any changes to project delivery, timetables, staffing, or the expected number of children attending.
- All promotional materials must include the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF), Department for Education and the Sandwell Council logos. Logos will be sent to successful organisations.
- Successful organisations will be featured in the HAF directory on our website, providing Free School Meal families with access to details about your activities and food offer.
- Successful organisations must obtain consent from parents to share information of children with Sandwell Council on behalf of HAF.



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- Successful organisations must ensure that they update their activity information on the Holiday Activities (E-vouchers) platform prior to each HAF holiday to enable parents to book activities.
- All providers are required to complete a self-monitoring form at the conclusion of each HAF holiday period. This form allows you to reflect on and provide comments regarding your delivery. Failure to comply with the submission deadlines will impact eligibility for the next holiday funding period.
- All providers must display the HAF QR code at every delivery venue in a visible location for parents and carers to scan and provide feedback. Additionally, providers are required to share the Parent Feedback QR code via email to ensure feedback is captured from beneficiaries.
- All providers must update E-Voucher attendance on the day of each session delivered. If delivery takes place off-site without an internet connection, attendance records must be updated within 24 hours of the session. Failure to meet submission deadlines for the E-Voucher attendance records will impact eligibility for the next holiday funding period.
- All providers are required to attend two post-delivery meetings per year, which are scheduled for the month following each holiday period. Attendance at these meetings is mandatory for all providers.
- All providers must attend a Holiday Activities (E-Voucher) training session prior to the delivery of their services. These training sessions will be scheduled in the month preceding the holiday period during which the delivery will take place. Attendance at these sessions is mandatory for all providers.
- All providers must attend the annual HAF Conference meeting. Invitations will be sent out closer to the date of the Conference. Attendance at this meeting is mandatory for all providers.
  - As part of our commitment to being a child-friendly borough, we must demonstrate that we are actively gathering feedback from children to shape service delivery. Providers are required to collect feedback from children during each HAF period and submit at least three completed feedback forms. Additionally, providers must show how this feedback has been used to enhance both current and future provisions through the Monitoring Form.
  - If you need support in developing feedback resources to effectively capture children's voices, please email Karen Greenfield: <a href="mailto:karen\_greenfield@sandwell.gov.uk">karen\_greenfield@sandwell.gov.uk</a>.
- **26** Applications received after the closing date/time will **NOT** be considered for funding.







#### **SECTION 10: Independent Referee** (schools excluded)

#### To be completed by the Provider named in Section 1.1

Leaving this section blank will delay your application. Schools are exempt from completing this section.

#### Who Needs to Provide an Independent Referee?

If you are a not-for-profit, voluntary or community sector organisation, private, or independent organisation, you must provide details of an independent referee.

#### Your referee must:

- Hold a professional or public position that can be verified.
- Be completely independent of your organisation.
- Have knowledge of your organisation and the project for which you are requesting funding.

We will contact your referee as part of your application assessment. Please ensure the referee you nominate has access to the email address provided during the assessment timeline of your application. For further guidance and examples of suitable referees, please refer to the attached HAF Guidance.

Title			
First Name			
Surname			
Employer			
Occupation			
Email			
Telephone			
How long has	the referee known your organisation?	Years	Months
How long has	the referee known your organisation:		
	ity does the organisation know this referee?		







#### **SECTION 11: DECLARATION OF RELATIONS**

Please note: Should you provide any information under this section; it will only be used for the sole purpose of grant administration for this programme only.

Please include the name and details of any:

- Sandwell Council officer
- Councillor
- Relative

**Name** 

- Close associate of any Sandwell Council officer or Councillor who:
  - Is a member of your managing body or paid staff.
  - Is (to your knowledge) a relative or close associate of any of your management members or senior staff.
  - Is (to your knowledge) likely to derive any direct personal benefit or advantage either financial or in kind from the award of this funding.

**Nature of involvement** 

### Please give names and details if relevant:

Decla	ration					
I confi	irm that to the best of my know	wledge and belief (select one):				
	I have listed above the names of Sandwell Council Officers or Councillors with an involvement in this project or grant application					
	No Sandwell Council Officers, application	or elected members have any involvement in this project or				







#### **SECTION 12: DECLARATION OF SIGNATORY (LEAD)**

I confirm that the organisation named in Section 1.1 of this application form has authorised me to sign this agreement.

I certify that the information given in this application is true and confirm that the enclosures are current, accurate and adopted or approved by our organisation.

I understand that any offer of grant funding will be subject to the grant conditions, and we confirm that the organisation has the power to accept this grant if the application is successful and to repay it if the grant conditions are not met.

I have not altered or deleted the original wording and structure of this application form as originally provided or added to it in any way.

I give consent to Sandwell Council holding and sharing of any personal data provided for the sole purpose of grant administration.

Print Name	
Position in Organisation	
E-Signature	
Date	

#### **SECTION 13: DECLARATION OF SIGNATORY (PARTNER)**

I confirm that the organisation named in Section 1.5 of this application form has authorised me to sign this agreement.

I certify that the information given in this application is true and confirm we will be partnering with the organisation named in Section 1.1 to deliver HAF Activities.

I have not altered or deleted the original wording and structure of this application form as originally provided or added to it in any way.

I give consent to Sandwell Council holding and sharing of any personal data provided for the sole purpose of grant administration.

Print Name	
Position in Organisation	
E-Signature	
Date	







#### **SECTION 14: APPENDIX 2 HAF APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

Before submitting, ensure that you have answered all questions and signed relevant sections. Use this checklist to confirm that all necessary documents are included: Save the documents in the specified order and format within a zip folder, numbering and titling each appropriately with your Organisation's name. For example, 1. HAF 2025 - Latest Annual Accounts - Organisation Name.

Document Ref	Documentation required to be submitted		Included	
		Lead	Partner	
1	Latest Annual Accounts or Statement of Income and Expenditure (schools exempted)			
2	Public Liability Insurance (covering delivery period) (schools exempted) (other insurance)			
3	HAF Grant Application Form			
4	Delivery Staff Details			
5	HAF Grant Application S25 Finance Spreadsheet			
6	A minimum of 3 photographs for Marketing (these will be used on the HAF Sandwell website; ensure parental consent has been obtained).			
The following documents are NOT required for submission but will be reviewed before delivery.				
Α	Constitution, Terms of Reference, set of rules or other Governing documents (schools exempted)			
В	Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy			
С	Health & Safety Policy (to include Food Safety, Lockdown and Intruder Procedures)			
D	Risk Assessment (to include all delivery venues and all aspects of project delivery)			
E	Equality & Diversity Policy			
F	Data Sharing Consent Form			
G	Online Safety/Digital Media/GDPR/Data Protection Policy			
Н	Food Registration Certificate			
I	Partner Delivery Agreement (if applicable)			
J	OFSTED Registration (if applicable) (schools exempted)			