Freelance Trust Fundraiser

Remote | 1-2 days per week | Initial 6-month contact

Community Housing & Therapy (CHT) is looking for an experienced freelance Trust Fundraiser to work with our small team 1-2 days per week. The role will include researching funding opportunities and preparing grant applications to charitable trusts and statutory bodies and would be ideally suited to someone with a successful track record in trust fundraising, preferably in mental health or related fields.

Key Responsibilities:

- Identify and research suitable charitable trusts and statutory funding opportunities that are aligned with our mission and projects.
- To prepare, write, and submit grant applications.
- Develop tailored cases for support, drawing on organisational data, impact stories, and sector insights.
- Maintain accurate records of applications, deadlines, and funder communications.

Person Specification:

- Demonstrable experience in successful trust or statutory fundraising, ideally in mental health or related fields.
- Strong research skills to identify and assess new funding prospects.
- Excellent written communication skills, with experience writing cases for support and detailed grant applications.
- Ability to work independently and manage deadlines, with minimal supervision.

Hours and contract

This is a remote freelance position, with flexible working arrangements. The role is expected to require approximately 7–14 hours per week, with the exact commitment agreed according to the scope of work, the successful candidate's proposed approach and available budget. The initial contract will be for six months, with the possibility of extension.

How to apply

The closing date is 5pm on Friday 27 Novmber 2026.

We are looking for someone to join us as soon as possible, so we'll be reviewing applications as they are received and we'll arrange interviews arranged on a rolling basis. We reserve the right to close the vacancy early if we find a suitable candidate, so we encourage anyone interested in working with us to get in touch as soon as possible.

To apply please email laura.j@cht.org.uk your CV along with a brief covering statement outlining your relevant experience, availability and freelance rates.

About us

Community Housing & Therapy (CHT) is a specialist mental health charity offering adults experiencing severe or complex mental distress a welcoming home and therapeutic support to help them heal from trauma, form positive relationships, and build a life that feels meaningful and hopeful. Since 1994, we have supported over 2,000 people through our residential recovery communities across London and the South East.

Our communities offer a home, round-the-clock care, structured therapeutic support, skills training, and social activities for adults experiencing severe and complex mental distress and co-occurring conditions, such as substance use. Our services range from higher levels of residential support through to more independent accommodation, allowing our residents to progress towards recovery at a pace that feels right to them. Our support is long-term, person-centred, and considers a person's lived experiences, rather than solely focusing on someone's symptoms.

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