

Sinai Synagogue, Leeds

Request for Quotation to conduct community development services (consultancy)

Introduction

Sinai Synagogue, Leeds (Sinai) has received funding from the National Lottery to help us respond to challenges facing our community as a result of the C-19 pandemic, the project is called Sinai Community Outreach (SCO). Sinai was successful in obtaining funding to pay for a consultant to assist our community come together despite there being no building in which to pray or mingle and our community and education teams on furlough.

Project Summary

Sinai Community Outreach is a project directly responding to the needs of our members. The project is to fund a community development specialist to provide networking, contact, recreational activity, and practical personal support to our community. The project will also co-ordinate the work of our existing volunteers to help them work better and provide more.

SCO wants to reach out and show we care. We want our volunteers to do more than simple "care calls" - we want to provide more direct support - not just shopping and errands but bringing people together virtually and as physically as is possible. So more online activities and social history, book clubs and games. Support for older people, for children and families. Less isolation - more "together" We want to rise to the challenge of Covid and use this for "growing our way out" and try and leave a legacy of voluntary-led solutions for our community.

SCO is about bringing our community together. It is about non-religious community support. We are a faith community - but this project is about humanity, dignity and respect. About a sense of belonging and mutual aid.

SCO is a direct response to our congregation's demands. They told us they wanted: - more support to our volunteers so we can do more than "care calls" - an increased range of online content - more direct support to the most vulnerable members - such as more shopping volunteers - more fun activities that support all aspects of our community and bring us together.

Consultancy brief and form of response

Sinai requires a suitably qualified consultant to conduct community development services responding to the project summary above.

Interested consultants should set out in no more than 2-sides of A4 (Calibri 11 point, 1.15 spaced) their approach to meeting this and any skills or experience they have of providing similar support. In addition, consultants should also outline their experience of working with and for the Reform Jewish Community. Also attach a current CV.

Pricing

The project costs are fixed at **£8000 inclusive of all expenses and VAT** – this is 40 days of work at £200 a day.

This is a fixed price for all consultancy applications and any change to this price will result in an automatic rejection of the quotation.

Timetable

RFQ Issued: 19/8/20
Responses: 15/9/20 by 12 noon to chair@sinaileeds.uk
Shortlisting and Zoom Call Interviews: 16/9/20 (interviews late afternoon/evening)
Project Start: 17/9/20

As this project is to start as soon as possible and finish by February 2021, and given the proximity of HHDs, any consultants who cannot start 17th September will be not be considered.

Please submit responses no later than 12 noon on 15/9/20 to chair@sinaileeds.uk – you will be notified lunchtime on 16th if you are required for Zoom interview later in the day.

Sinai reserve the right to accept or reject all applications and to appoint a suitably qualified consultant without the need for interview.

If you would like an informal chat about this opportunity please contact David Israel at chair@sinaileeds.uk with your contact details.