


Organisation Name: Resettlement and Care for Older Ex-Offenders and Prisoners (RECOOP)	
Grant Details: Total Grant: £75,000 Amount funded to date: £75,000 Amount remaining: £0 Start date: 19/03/21 End date: 21/09/23 Date of Report: 30/10/23	
Grant Summary RECOOP is now a supply chain partner with CF03 contract Prime Shaw Trust, People Plus, Weston College and Novus who have won regional contracts within the Prisons Education Framework. We're also registered on the Prison Dynamic Purchasing System and can target income generation based on existing interest. The grant will enable RECOOP to employ a Distance Learning Co-ordinator to give more older people in prisons access to their training across the country. The grant will help RECOOP to increase income and be financially stable with the ability to remain self-reliant into the future: 1.Distance Learning Co-ordinator (0.8FTE inc on costs) - £21,979 Year one 2.Travel - £ 1,500 3.Staff development- £200 4.Printing / design support (images) - £3000 5.Mobile phone rental - £144 6.Operational management - £3,177	
Grant Performance <p>This was an interesting proposal as it focused on working with older prisoners and supporting them to leave prison and resettle successfully into a community setting. Many had served long sentences so were both used to prison life but had also seen the outside world change substantially in the time that they had been serving their sentences. Navigating this new world was something that many older prisons were ill equipped to do on release and support around this was limited.</p> <p>The support that RECOOP has provided has clearly been invaluable and it is really encouraging to see this recognised by the prisons that they work in and the Approved Premises where they have delivered their course. Progress in some areas has been slower than anticipated - the pandemic and wide spread lock down of prisons clearly had an impact in terms of delivery levels as literacy levels of many beneficiaries were not sufficient to really support distance learning. The income that was anticipated has also been less than the target but encouraging progress was made and post the end of the grant date there clearly has been some additional progress made towards achieving this amount of income. So whilst the report is a little light on detail in some areas and progress a little mixed this grant has enabled RECOOP to delivery some good work.</p>	

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In your application you told us what you expected the three key achievements of your grant to be and the income you expected to obtain from other sources each year. The delivery of those achievements should form the basis of your report to us, however, in this final report please take the opportunity to reflect on what was achieved over the whole grant period as well as in the final year.

Feel free to add evidence to demonstrate your achievements e.g. statistics, opinions of beneficiaries, case studies, independent feedback, press coverage or reviews. Include whatever evidence you have that you feel may help tell the story of the grant. If target numbers were included in your expected key achievements, please include these in your report.

We understand that goals change and need to be refined and you may find better ways to secure positive outcomes. As well as the expected results we are also interested in hearing about the unexpected and finding out about why things may not have worked as well as you planned.

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RECOOP (Resettlement and care for older ex-offenders and prisoners)	
Grant start date	Grant reference (see grant letter)
19/03/2021	2020-05-R014
Reporting period start date	Reporting period end date
19/03/2021	21/09/2023

1. What is the first expected key achievement?			
Complete the development of the distance learning programme both paper-based and digital offers so they are ready for marketing and promotion			
Measures for this achievement	Target date	Progress towards these measures	
1a. Paper based package complete and print run priced and agreed		<p>Year 2</p> <p><i>As a result of ongoing review, the Distance Learning programme was proven to be a challenge in terms of literacy and ability in unfacilitated delivery. These challenges were not overcome during the pandemic despite a number of revisions in terms of how it was delivered. Thankfully, the end of the restrictions meant that we were very quickly able to start delivery face to face, using the same materials.</i></p> <p><i>The Third House Trust once again supported the print costs and the production of some Resettlement Packs with a grant of £10K</i></p>	
1b. Digital platform compatible with both prisons	By project end	<p>Year 2</p> <p><i>We have made some significant progress with identifying an organisation who can support us to reach</i></p>	

	and probation team agreed		<i>people in prison, with a business plan to work with Probation in the near future. The organisation, Meganexus, provides access to a digital learning platform and at time of writing, we are in the final stages of costing discussions with them to adapt our Resettlement programme into a digital offer.</i>
1c.	Digital course development finalised and tested	By project end	Year 2 <i>We are in the process of adapting the programme and Meganexus will support us with the development including a blend of video, audio and simple multiple choice question and answer type learning modules. Testing and reporting is built into the plan before a final digital move.</i>

2. What is the second expected key achievement?			
Marketing and promotional plan developed and implemented			
Measures for this achievement		Target date	Progress towards these measures
2a	Marketing material and programme development	Ongoing	Year 2 <i>Marketing of the programme continues and we have had a number of enquiries, a number of which have progressed or are progressing to sales.</i> <i>The content of the programme has developed with new sessions and has also been kept up to date with legislative changes.</i>
2b	Sales pipeline of customers developed	Ongoing	Year 2 <i>The programme has been delivered weekly at HMP Risley over a 6 month period and we have also succeeded in deliveries in 5 North West prisons and 4 Approved Premises</i>
2c	All resettlement prisons and Probation regional leads contacted		Year 2 <i>Resettlement Prisons in the North West were initially targeted, but it soon became apparent that ALL prisons in the region released older prisoners and so the reach was extended to all categories with the exception of the Long Term High Security Estate (Cat A).</i>

3. What is the third expected key achievement?			
Income generation of £15K+ realised by the end of the year			
Measures for this achievement		Target date	Progress towards these measures
3a.	Pilot x 5 prisons Pilot x 4 Approved Premises Generate Sales to £15K	March 2023	<p><i>Year 2</i></p> <p><i>Having taken the decision to offer the programme free of charge in the pilot area, with a view to gathering evidence of success to support sales in other geographical regions, this route has supported a sale at HMP Risley (£7K) delivering the programme over a 6 month period and a 3 week programme delivery at HMP Usk (£2.5K) with an indication of a further delivery in June 2023.</i></p> <p><i>We also received a second grant of £10K from The Third House Trust to support with printing costs and the provision of Resettlement Kits (the kits include hygiene items to help those released in the first days back in the community)</i></p>
3b.	Training proposals submitted to two new prisons	30 th March 23	<p><i>Year 2</i></p> <p><i>HMPs Wymott & Haverigg formed part of the project, both receiving two programmes during the year. (48 beneficiaries) In addition, HMP Kirkham and HMP Preston agreed to be part of the Project, each having facilitated delivery on two occasions also. (48 beneficiaries)</i></p> <p><i>A proposal was submitted for a Contract at HMP Stanford Hill for 1 year, this proposal was successful and though just outside of our target date, work will start in April 2023. (Value £6K)</i></p> <p><i>Additionally, we are working with HMP Erlestoke to introduce the programme there in the first quarter of the financial year April-June 2023. (Value £2.5K)</i></p>
3c.	Training proposals submitted to 5 community hubs / Probation Hostels Add in NW AP	30 st March 23	<p><i>Year 2</i></p> <p><i>We delivered the programme in 4 Approved Premises during 22/23. The number of older residents in Approved Premises is far smaller in comparison to the prison estate, the number of beneficiaries reached was 16.</i></p> <p><i>We are delighted to be able to share that, as we'd hoped, the North West AP Management Team recognise the benefit of the programme so much so that we will be training their Engagement Officers to deliver the programme in at least 11 of the 15 North West Approved</i></p>

			<i>Premises. The costs (£10K) have been agreed and training dates are being scheduled for May.</i>
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4. Optional – please detail progress made towards the additional expected achievements you told us about.

5. If you specified in your Expected Key Achievements document that there would be additional income generated as a result of the grant please include the final income figures (including all income sources e.g. trading, contract grants etc.)

	Start date of year	Total additional income		
		Expected at start of grant	Reforecast	Received
Year 1		£	£	£
Year 2		£	£	£
Year 3		£	£	£
Year 4 (if required)		£	£	£

6. Did any aspect of the grant delivery not progress as expected and were any subsequent changes made?

7. Has the grant achieved the expected results overall or did anything need to change?

8. What are the future plans for the development funded by this grant? (include details of any further funds secured to continue the work)

9. Is there anything you have not included elsewhere in the report that you feel we should know? E.g. you might have some wider reflections about the impact of the grant overall both within your organisation and beyond.

10. Please email us a copy of your latest annual report and full accounts independently examined by a qualified accountant covering the last 12 months (if you have not already sent them).
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