

## FAQs

**I don't know what the seed fund initiative is. Can you tell me some more about it?**

A seed fund of £5,000 will be allocated annually, which members of NNLS and the wider community may apply to, to kick start new Tikkun Olam/Social Action projects. The idea is that NNLS will help 'birth' and incubate new social action projects.

**How much money would I get for my project?**

A seed fund of £5,000 will be allocated annually. Large awards will receive £1,000 and small awards will receive funding between £50 and £200.

**Can I apply if I am not a NNLS member?**

The funding for qualifying projects will be awarded to both those applying from within the NNLS and to external applicants for projects which will benefit the wider local community.

**I am a registered charity and am looking for some funding for a small project, can I apply?**

Unfortunately not. The seed fund is specifically for individuals or groups with an idea for a *new* social action project, or those who are in the process of setting up a project and in need of that final push.

**What sort of projects are you looking for?**

Individuals and groups are invited to apply for funding for projects which tackle issues falling under one or a combination of the following categories:

- Environmental
- Education
- Interfaith
- Human Rights
- Poverty and Social Justice
- Health
- an 'open-ended' category (thus leaving room for innovative ideas which fall under the general heading of social justice)

**What impact are you hoping for with the projects?**

Applications which fall within the above criteria will then be considered in relation to the strength of

- Individual impact
- Community impact (including local, London-wide and national Jewish/wider community)
- Global impact

**I have a social action project which I want to do, but I need some advice as I have never done this before. Can that be provided?**

Mentoring will be provided to all successful projects. However if an applicant does not receive a monetary grant, they may still be provided a mentor to help develop their ideas.

**This all sounds great. When can I apply?**

There will be three deadlines throughout the year when funding will be considered by the panel:

- 15<sup>th</sup> October 2012 - Final decision by first week in December
- 11 February 2013 - Final decision by first week in April
- 14<sup>th</sup> June 2013 - Final decision by first week in August