

Opportunity for Sunderland Voluntary & Community Sector Offer: Fire Extinguishers/Smoke Detectors

A local Fire Safety Company is offering to commission and install Fire Extinguishers and or battery operated Smoke Detectors free of charge as part of their commitment to providing social value within local communities throughout the City.

If your VCSE organisation operates within the Sunderland Local Authority area, has an annual turnover of under £250k, and believe you could benefit from this Social Value offer, we would love to hear from you.

What is Social Value?

Social value is defined through the Public Services (Social Value) Act (2013) which requires organisations and their suppliers to look beyond the financial cost of a contract to consider how the services they commission and procure can improve the economic, social, and environmental wellbeing of an area.

This offer is made as part of Sunderland City Council's pledge to use its contracts with external companies to enable suppliers to provide charitable donations to local communities.

SVSA is providing added value to voluntary and community organisations through the generosity of organisations that offer a wide range of services. These include donations or in-kind donations, pre-employment support, printing, bid writing, landscaping, building materials and much more, all aimed at benefiting the public.

What Next?

If you think this could be you, and would like to apply, you will need to complete and return our short application form, describing how you would use the offer and what difference it will make to both your organisation and your community. After the deadline date, a panel will meet to choose the winning organisation. Some organisations may be contacted by the company prior to the decision-making panel to discuss the feasibility and size of the project, or for further information.

How to Apply

If you would like to apply, please email us at <u>contactus@sunderlandvsa.co.uk</u> and we will email out an application form for you to complete. The closing date for applications is the 30th April 2025 at 12 noon.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Sharon Quinn via email: <u>sharon.quinn@sunderlandvsa.co.uk</u> or by mobile on 07770155710.